

At a meeting of the HAMPSHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY held at the Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters, Eastleigh on 11 June, 2015

PRESENT:

Councillors:

p	John Bennison	p	Geoff Hockley
p	Ann Briggs	p	Chris Lagdon
p	Graham Burgess	p	Robin McIntosh
p	Adam Carew	p	Sharon Mintoff
p	Chris Carter	p	Frank Pearce
p	Roz Chadd	p	Sally Spicer
p	Keith Chapman	p	Roger Price
p	Mark Cooper	p	David Simpson
p	Liz Fairhurst	p	Phil Smith
p	Jane Frankum	p	Mark Staplehurst
p	David Fuller	p	Luke Stubbs
p	David Harrison	p	John Wall
p	Hannah Hockaday		

136 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies of absence were received.

137 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

Councillor Chris Carter was nominated and elected as Chairman of the Fire Authority for 2015-16.

138 APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Councillor Keith Chapman was nominated and elected as Vice Chairman of the Fire Authority for 2015-16.

139 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were mindful of their duty to disclose at the meeting any disclosable pecuniary interest they had in any matter on the agenda for the meeting, where that interest was not already entered in the Authority's register of interests, and their ability to disclose any other pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in any such matter that they might have wished to disclose.

140 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Authority held on 20 February 2015 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

141 **DEPUTATIONS**

There were no deputations to this meeting.

142 **MEMBERS' QUESTIONS AND DEVELOPMENT**

Councillor Price updated the Authority on a recent conference he had attended and also gave details on the positive arrest and conviction rates for arson in Hampshire compared to the overall national figure.

Councillor Chadd highlighted the importance of the Members Awareness Session which was scheduled to take place after the Full Authority meeting, and asked that all Members attend if possible.

The Chairman reported on the recent Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service conference he had attended at Havant Plaza, and expressed his thanks to the organisers, in particular Andy Bowers. The Chairman highlighted that the options using the Leadership framework for Members could be considered by the Members Development Group and at a future Members Awareness Session.

Councillor Wall informed Members of a recent open day held at Rushmoor Fire Station, praising the event and encouraged all Members to attend similar open days in their local areas.

143 **CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS**

The Chairman welcomed new Members to the Authority – Councillor Hannah Hockaday from Portsmouth City Council, Councillor David Fuller from Southampton City Council, and Councillor John Bennison from Hampshire County Council. Thanks were paid to Councillors Glen and Hastings for their contribution to the Fire Authority. The Chairman also paid special thanks to Royston Smith MP who had been Chairman of the Authority for six years and a Member of the Fire Authority for the past fifteen years. A statement from Royston Smith MP was read out by the Chairman, in which he congratulated the new Chairman of the Full Authority on their appointment and extended his best wishes to Members and Officers. A welcome was also extended by the Chairman to Assistant Chief Officer Steve Apter who was attending his first Full Authority meeting, since commencement of the strategic partnership agreement with the Isle of Wight Fire and Rescue Service and his transfer to Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service.

The Chairman expressed his thanks on behalf of the Members to the Hampshire firefighters who had recently returned from Nepal after being deployed as part of the UK International Search and Rescue team to help the country recover after an earthquake.

Members noted that a dedicated Members Awareness session on the risk review project would be scheduled prior to the Full Authority meeting on the 9 September 2015, and further details would be circulated.

144 **ACTIVITY REPORT**

The Authority considered the report of the Chief Officer, Item 9 in the Minute Book, regarding activity in the period 1 January 2015 to 31 March 2015.

Member queries relating to individual incidents and to the report in general were responded to.

RESOLVED:

That the Authority note the report.

145 **APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES, CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMANSHIPS, DEPUTIES AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS**

The Authority considered the report of the Clerk to the Authority, Item 10 in the Minute Book, regarding appointments and proportionality for 2015-16.

The HFRA Membership for 2015-16 was noted as follows:

Hampshire County Council (19)

John Bennison
Ann Briggs
Graham Burgess
Adam Carew
Chris Carter
Roz Chadd
Keith Chapman
Mark Cooper
Liz Fairhurst
Jane Frankum

David Harrison
Geoff Hockley
Chris Lagdon
Robin McIntosh
Frank Pearce
Roger Price
David Simpson
Mark Staplehurst
John Wall

Portsmouth City Council (3)

Hannah Hockaday
Phil Smith
Luke Stubbs

Southampton City Council (3)

David Fuller
Sharon Mintoff
Sally Spicer

RESOLVED:

1. That, for the purposes of Part 1 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, the proportional allocation of seats on the Finance and General Purposes, Standards and Governance, Human Resources, and Performance Review and Scrutiny Committees of the Authority were agreed as follows:

	Conservatives	Lib Dem	Labour	UKIP	Ind	Total
Members:	14	5	3	2	1	25
F&GP	6	2	1	0	1	10
HR	5	2	1	1	0	9
Perf Review	5	2	1	1	0	9
Standards & Gov	5	2	1	1	0	9
Total	21	8	4	3	1	37
Entitlement	20.72	7.4	4.44	2.96	1.48	
Rounded	21	7	4	3	1	
Balance	0	1	0	0	0	

2. The Authority re-appointed members of the Finance and General Purposes, Standards and Governance, Human Resources, and Performance Review and Scrutiny Committees and their respective Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen as follows:

Finance and General Purposes Committee

J. Bennison
G. Burgess (Vice-Chairman)
C. Carter
R. Chadd
D.Fuller (Southampton)
G. Hockley
S. Mintoff
R. Price
D. Simpson
L. Stubbs (Chairman) (Portsmouth)

Standards and Governance Committee

G. Burgess
C. Carter
D. Fuller (Southampton)
D. Harrison
G. Hockley (Vice-Chairman)
R. McIntosh (Chairman)
S. Mintoff (Southampton)
P. Smith (Portsmouth)
M. Staplehurst

Performance Review and Scrutiny Committee

A. Briggs
A. Carew
K. Chapman (Chairman)
M. Cooper
J. Frankum
C. Lagdon
F. Pearce (Vice-Chairman)
D. Simpson
J. Wall

Human Resources Committee

A. Briggs
K. Chapman
M. Cooper
L. Fairhurst (Chairman)
H. Hockaday (Portsmouth)
C. Lagdon
P. Smith (Portsmouth)
S. Spicer (Southampton)
J. Wall (Vice-Chairman)

3i. The three Employer Representatives of the newly established Pension Board, appointed for a four year term were Councillors M. Cooper, H. Hockaday and J. Wall.

3ii. The three Scheme Representatives of the Pension Board, appointed for a four year term were Mr Malcolm Eastwood, Mr Charlie House and Mr Alex Rhodes.

4. The Corporate Management Team (CMT) would include the following Members:

Corporate Management Team

C. Carter (Chairman of Authority)

K. Chapman (Vice- Chairman of the Authority and Chairman of Performance Review and Scrutiny Committee)

L. Fairhurst (Chairman of Human Resources Committee)

C. Lagdon (UK Independence Party Member)

R. McIntosh (Chairman of Standards and Governance Committee)

S. Mintoff (Labour Member)

R. Price (Liberal Democrat Member)

D. Simpson (Liberal Democrat Member)

L. Stubbs (Chairman of Finance and General Purposes Committee)

5. The Authority appointed Members to 9 of the 11 Crime and Disorder Reduction/Community Safety Partnerships currently operated by the 11 District and 2 Unitary authorities in Hampshire until the Annual meeting of the Authority in 2016. The Chairman highlighted the importance of these appointments and noted that the Authority would seek nominations for the 2 vacant positions:

Crime and Disorder Reduction Community Safety Partnerships

Basingtoke, Hart and Rushmoor (Safer North Hampshire)– J. Wall

Eastleigh – Vacancy

East Hampshire – A. Carew

Fareham - R. Price

Gosport - C. Carter

Havant - F. Pearce

New Forest – D. Harrison

Portsmouth – L. Stubbs

Southampton – D. Fuller

Test Valley – M. Cooper

Winchester – Vacancy

6. The Member Development Liaison Member would be Councillor R. Chadd and the Environmental Champion be Councillor A. Carew until the Annual meeting of the Authority in 2016.

7. The Minority Group Spokespersons for the Liberal Democrat, Labour and UK Independence Party Groups were confirmed to be Councillors R.Price, S. Mintoff and C. Lagdon respectively, until the Annual meeting of the Authority in 2016.

8. The Shareholder Representative pursuant to Article 39 of the Articles of Association of 3SFire Ltd would be Councillor K. Chapman until the Annual meeting of the Authority in 2016.

9. It was agreed that the Directors of 3SFire appointed until the Annual meeting of the Authority in 2016 were Councillors C. Carter and R. Price, and Neil Odin (Deputy Chief Officer).

146 WORK IN NEPAL (PRESENTATION)

The Authority received a presentation on the recent search and rescue work in Nepal, in particular the role of HFRS.

Key points of the arrangements of the mission were highlighted. The specific tasks and accomplishments of the HFRS team were set out and Members noted the contribution to the wider relief effort. The Authority expressed their gratitude to the officers who had formed the team and welcomed the positive international role of the service.

147 MINUTES OF FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE – 15 APRIL 2015

The Authority received and noted the Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on 15 April 2015.

148 MINUTES OF PERFORMANCE REVIEW AND SELECT COMMITTEE – 19 MAY 2015

The Authority received and noted the Minutes of the Performance Review and Select Committee held on 19 May 2015. Members were reminded of the briefing being arranged on Risk Review (Minute 143 refers).

149 MINUTES OF HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 15 APRIL 2015

The Authority received and noted the Minutes of the Human Resources Committee held on 15 April 2015.

150 MINUTES OF STANDARDS AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE – 2 APRIL 2015

The Authority received and noted the Minutes of the Standards and Governance Committee held on 2 April 2015.

151 **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

RESOLVED

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151 **HFRA PROPORTIONALITY AND APPOINTMENTS – EXEMPT APPENDIX**

The Authority received and noted the exempt appendix relating to HFRA Proportionality and Appointments.