

REPORT OF THE
Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority
PART II

247. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

1. At its meeting on 7 September 2016, Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority received a report on the outcomes of consultation with stakeholders on the future size and governance structure of the Authority. The Authority acknowledged the input from stakeholders and with that in mind, agreed to proceed with an application to the Secretary of State for necessary amendments to the Combination Order to permit the inclusion of the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) as a full member of the Fire Authority from the annual meeting in June 2017 or as soon as practicable thereafter.

2. The Authority also considered the overall size and governance structure of the Authority and, taking into account the input from stakeholders, agreed that option C, a reduction to 10 Councillors plus the PCC, was the most appropriate to lead the Service into the future. It was agreed that this should take effect from the annual meeting of the Authority in June 2017.

3. Delegated authority was given to the Clerk to take forward necessary actions relating to the above decisions, including making an application to the Secretary of State for amendments to the Combination Order, and proposing updates to Schemes of Delegation, Committee Terms of Reference and the Authorities Standing Orders. It was also agreed that the Members' Allowances Scheme be reviewed in light of the above decisions.

COUNCILLOR CHRIS CARTER
Chairman of
Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority

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