

AT A MEETING of the HAMPSHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY
PERFORMANCE REVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE held at Hampshire
Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters, Eastleigh on 16 September, 2011.

PRESENT:

Councillors: K. Chapman (Chairman); I. Beagley; Sam Darragh; J. Frankum;
T. Knight; E. Neal; D. Simpson; A. Weeks.

67 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor A. Evans.

68 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were mindful that, where they believed they had a personal or personal prejudicial interest in any matter to be considered at the meeting, they should, normally at the time of the debate, declare their interest and, having regard to the circumstances described in Paragraphs 9, 10, 11 and 12 of the Fire Authority's Code of Conduct, consider whether to leave the meeting whilst the matter was discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with Paragraph 12 of the Code.

There were no declarations of interest made by members under this item.

69 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 25 February, 2011 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

70 **DEPUTATIONS**

There were no deputations made under this item.

71 **PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

The Committee considered the report of the Chief Officer (Item 5 in the Minute Book) on the performance indicators for the year 2010/11 and for quarter one (April to June) update for the current financial year 2011/12 .

The Chief Officer introduced the report which included a tabular and graphical presentations of the performance data together with commentaries on action taken to improve performance. Members welcomed the new and more simplified way of presenting the information. In commenting on the individual indicators , Members wished to congratulate the Service in their actions to reduce false fire alarm calls to non-domestic premises.

RESOLVED:

That the report on performance is supported, and the strategies to meet the targets endorsed.

72 OUTCOMES OF THE SERVICE PLAN OBJECTIVE “DEVELOP THE CORE SKILLS OF OUR FIREFIGHTERS’ 2009/12”

The Committee considered the report of the Chief Officer (Item 6 in the Minute Book) on progress towards the completion of the corporate objective in the ‘Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service Plan [2009 - 12]’ to “Develop the core skills of our firefighters”. The Chief Officer explained the measures taken to date and those being planned. Mention was made of ‘FireWatch’ [the Service’s new management information system] which will improve the training and development quality assessment process.

RESOLVED:

That the Committee accept the current position of HFRS and progress towards the completion of the Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service plan 2009/2012 objective to “Develop core skills of our firefighters”.

73 METHODOLOGY TO DEVELOP CORPORATE OBJECTIVES

The Committee considered the report of the Chief Officer (Item 7 in the Minute Book) about the methodology to support service improvement and the development of future corporate objectives.

RESOLVED:

That the Committee endorse the effectiveness of this methodology to support service improvement and the development of future corporate objectives.

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