

Report To:	Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Committee	Date:	27 September 2018
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Subject:	Local Police and Fire Scrutiny Committee Update Report		Report

#### 1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of this report is to update the Local Police and Fire Scrutiny Committee on current and emerging issues relating to Police and Fire and Rescue Services.

#### 2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 The report provides an opportunity for the Committee to be made aware of national initiatives, reviews and consultations and, where appropriate, to inform members' consideration of future agenda items relating to Police and Fire and Rescue matters.
- 2.2 In order to ensure that elected members can make representations to the national authorities as required in relation to wider scrutiny issues and concerns, elected members may be interested to note the following updates from external agencies including, but not limited to, Her Majesty's Inspector of Constabulary in Scotland, Her Majesty's Fire Inspectorate, Audit Scotland and the Accounts Commission in relation to the work carried out by the Police Scotland and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service and they will consider and respond to consultations on strategic Police and Fire and Rescue priorities and Scottish Police Authority and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Strategic Plans. This report is intended to draw these elements together with a view to informing and shaping future meeting agendas as appropriate and raising awareness of emerging issues.

#### 3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 That the Committee notes the information contained within the paper in respect of current and emerging national issues relating to Police and Fire and Rescue matters.

Grant McGovern Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Communities

## 4.0 SCOTTISH POLICE AUTHORITY

- 4.1 **SPA Board and Committee Meetings**: The last board meeting of the Scottish Police Authority was held on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2018 and considered the following matters: Violence Prevention in Scotland, British Transport Police Update Report, and an update on the Police 2026 Strategy.
- 4.2 **Annual Review of Policing 2017/18:** The Scottish Police Authority had requested comments by 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018 in respect of the Annual Review of Policing. The Council's response has been prepared and forms a separate agenda item.
- 4.3 **Chief Constable Recruitment:** On 15<sup>th</sup> August 2018 a Special Board Meeting was convened to appoint Mr Ian Livingstone as the next Chief Constable of Police Scotland.

# 5.0 HER MAJESTY'S INSPECTORATE OF CONSTABULARLY IN SCOTLAND

5.1 **Protecting People From Harm:** A report led by The Care Inspectorate and supported by HMCS considering the issues around adults who are at risk of harm and how agencies are working together was published on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2018. The report carried out scrutiny of six adult support and protection partnerships across Scotland.

# 6.0 SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE BOARD

- 6.1 **Scottish Fire and Rescue Board:** The most recent meeting of the Scottish Fire & Rescue Board was held on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2018 and considered the following matters: a west asset resource centre spread over two sites (Cowcaddens and Hamilton) for vehicle and equipment workshops and ICT functions, the Board approach to stakeholder engagement and arrangements for reviewing the effectiveness of the Board.
- 6.2 **Chief Officer Recruitment:** Scottish Fire & Rescue have launched a planned process to appoint a Chief Officer to succeed current Chief Officer Alasdair Hay who has announced that he will retire in March 2019.

# 7.0 DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

- 7.1 During May and June, members of the previous Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Sub-Committee took up an invitation from Chief Superintendent Gordon Crossan (Divisional (K) Commander) to attend a morning tasking meeting at Greenock Police Office. The daily tasking meeting brings officers together to discuss ongoing operational issues, where appropriate agree police staff resource issues and any issues that may impact on police delivery. Those members who did attend thought the opportunity was worthwhile to understand how policing works within Inverclyde and across the Renfrewshire and Inverclyde Division.
- 7.2 As a new Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Committee has been established, with a number of new members appointed to the Committee, Police and Fire have extended an invitation as follows: (i) to attend a daily tasking and coordinating meeting at Greenock Police Office, (ii) to attend the Police Scotland Service Centre (known as C3) at Govan and to attend the Scottish Fire & Rescue Service Command and Control Centre at Johnstone.

## 8.0 IMPLICATIONS

## 8.1 Finance

There are no financial implications.

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Years	Proposed Spend this Report £000	Virement From	Other Comments
N/A					

Annually Recurring Costs/(savings)

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	With effect from	Annual net impact £000	Virement From	Other Comments
N/A					

### 8.2 Legal

There are no legal implications.

### 8.3 Human Resources

This report does not impact on Human Resources.

### 8.4 Equalities

Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out?

	YES (see attached appendix)
Х	NO - This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a substantive change to an existing policy, function or strategy. Therefore, no Equality Impact Assessment is required.

### 8.5 **Repopulation**

This structure is intended to protect and assist the local communities.

## 9.0 CONSULTATIONS

9.1 None.

# **10.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

10.1 There are no background papers.