## **Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Sub-Committee**

## Thursday 7 June 2018 at 2.30pm

**Present**: Provost Brennan, Councillors Clocherty, Curley, MacLeod, McCabe, J McEleny (for C McEleny), McVey, Murphy, Quinn and Robertson.

Chair: Councillor Clocherty presided.

In attendance: Head of Environmental & Public Protection, Service Manager (Community Learning & Development, Community Safety & Resilience and Sport), Team Leader (Social Regeneration & Community Resilience), Mr J Douglas (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms S Lang (Legal & Property Services) and Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Communities.

**In attendance also:** Chief Superintendent G Crossan, Superintendent D Leitch and T/Chief Inspector L Harvie (Police Scotland), Area Manager G Binning and Station Manager M Meehan (Scottish Fire and Rescue Service).

Prior to the commencement of business, reference was made by the Convener and a number of other Members to recent attacks on both Fire & Rescue and Police personnel in Inverclyde and in particular to the incident on 1 June which had resulted in serious injury to two Police Officers, Constables Kenny MacKenzie and Laura Sayer. Councillor Clocherty stated that these recent incidents served to highlight the dangers faced by Police and Fire & Rescue personnel on a daily basis in undertaking their duties.

Chief Superintendent Crossan provided the Sub-Committee with an update on the condition of both Officers during which he paid tribute to NHS staff, members of the community who had assisted at the scene and the other Police Officers who had responded to the incident. He also provided information on the planned deployment of tasers in Renfrewshire and Inverciyde as part of a national initiative.

The following paragraphs are submitted for information only, having been dealt with under the powers delegated to the Sub-Committee.

# 357 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

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Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor C McEleny, with Councillor J McEleny substituting, and Councillor Wilson.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

#### 358 Police Scotland Performance Report

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There was submitted a report on the performance and activities of Police Scotland during the reporting period April 2017 – February 2018.

(Councillor McCabe left the meeting during consideration of this item of business).

During the course of discussion of this item, Chief Superintendent Crossan advised that he was proposing to make a number of changes to the style of the Police performance

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report and he confirmed that this would be circulated in advance to Members, for their views.

### Decided:

- (1) that the information contained in the report and appendices be noted;
- (2) that information be provided to Members on the various categories of hate crime recorded;
- (3) that a report be submitted on the joint work undertaken in relation to tackling crime "hotspots", including information on past initiatives and future plans; and
- (4) that future performance reports include separately recorded information on prison and custody suite assaults.

# 359 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Performance Report

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There was submitted a report on the performance and activities of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service during the reporting period 1 March to 31 March 2018.

**Decided:** that the information contained in the report and appendices be noted.