

## **SOUTH WALES FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY**

### **MINUTES OF THE FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 17 DECEMBER 2018 AT SOUTH WALES FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE HEADQUARTERS**

#### **30. PRESENT:**

<b>Councillor</b>	<b>Left</b>	<b>Authority</b>
D T Davies (Chair)		Caerphilly
D Ali		Cardiff
L Brown		Monmouthshire
K Critchley		Newport
R Crowley		Vale of Glamorgan
L Davies		Merthyr Tydfil
C Elsbury		Caerphilly
S Evans		Torfaen
A Hussey		Caerphilly
D Naughton		Cardiff
A Roberts		Rhondda Cynon Taff
R Shaw		Bridgend
A Slade		Torfaen
V Smith		Monmouthshire
H Thomas		Newport
D White		Bridgend
J Williams		Cardiff

#### **APOLOGIES:**

S Bradwick (Deputy Chair)		Rhondda Cynon Taff
J Collins		Blaenau Gwent
D De'Ath		Cardiff
S Ebrahim		Cardiff
K McCaffer		Vale of Glamorgan
S Pickering		Rhondda Cynon Taff

#### **ABSENT:**

J Harries		Rhondda Cynon Taff
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**OFFICERS PRESENT:-** CFO H Jakeway, DCO S Chapman – Monitoring Officer, ACFO D Rose – Director of Service Delivery, Mr C Barton – Treasurer, Mr G Thomas – Head of Finance, Ms S Watkins – Deputy Monitoring Officer, Ms R Meredith – Media & Comms officer, Mr Gwyther Lewis, Media & Comms officer

### **31. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Each Member declared a personal non-prejudicial interest in each agenda item which affected their Authority.

All Members declared an interest in Agenda Item 7.ii, 'Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Draft Annual Report – February 2019'.

### **32. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no Chair's announcements to report.

### **33. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

The following minutes were received and accepted as a true record of proceedings:-

- Finance, Asset & Performance Management Working Group meeting held on 21 May, 2018
- Local Pension Board meeting held on 25 June, 2018
- HR & Equalities meeting held on 16 July 2018
- Finance, Audit & Performance Management meeting held on 10 September 2018
- Fire & Rescue Authority meeting held on 24 September 2018
- Finance, Audit & Performance Management meeting held on 12 November, 2018

## **34. UPDATE ON ACTIONS**

The Deputy Chief Officer informed Members of actions undertaken since the last meeting, and provided an update on minute number 18/19-18.2. Members were advised that Ms Alison Reed, an external candidate, had been appointed as the New ACO People Services, and would commence in the New Year.

## **35. REPORTS FOR DECISION**

### **35.1 HALF YEARLY HEALTH CHECK ON PERFORMANCE AND STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES 2018/2019**

The Deputy Chief Officer advised that the presented report would give assurance to Members of the Fire & Rescue Authority, and the senior management within South Wales Fire & Rescue Service, on progress towards achievement of the Strategic Objectives and performance of the Strategic Performance Indicators for the first two quarters of 2018/2019.

### **RESOLVED THAT**

- 35.1.1 Members agreed to review the performance details and statistical data for the first two quarters of 2018/2019 contained within the report.
- 35.1.2 Following a lengthy question and answer session on 'Deaths and Injuries in Fires', 'False Alarms', and 'Deliberate Grass Fires' indicators, Officers provided detailed explanations, and Members agreed the content of the report.
- 35.1.3 Following further debate, Officers agreed to provide Members with a further breakdown of data on 'Special Service Calls'.

### **35.2 TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID-TERM REVIEW REPORT 2018/2019**

The Deputy Chief Officer informed Members that the Treasury Management Mid-Term Review Report provided an update on the

Authority's treasury activities for the period 1 April-30 September, 2018.

## **RESOLVED THAT**

Following a question and answer session, Members agreed and approved the Treasury Management Mid-Term Review.

## **36. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION**

### **36.1 STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER 2018/2019 – QUARTER 2 REVIEW**

The Deputy Chief Officer presented a report for Members to consider the strategic risks held within the Risk Register, and the management of these risks.

## **RESOLVED THAT**

Following a lengthy question and answer session on a number of key risks, i.e. issues with pension legislation and possible industrial action, Members agreed to view the strategic risks contained within the Risk Register held on the Service's Business Management Information System, and agreed their validity.

### **36.2 INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL FOR WALES' DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT – FEBRUARY 2019**

The Deputy Chief Officer presented a report which brought Members' attention to the relevant sections of the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales' Draft Annual Report that relates to payments to Members of Welsh Fire & Rescue Authorities.

## **RESOLVED THAT**

Members agreed to note the extract of the Independent Remuneration Panel's Draft Annual Report, attached to the report at Appendix 1, which provided details of payments to Members of Welsh Fire & Rescue Authorities.

### **36.3 FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME**

The Deputy Chief Officer presented the Forward Work Programme for 2018/2019.

#### **RESOLVED THAT**

Members agreed to note the Forward Work Programme for 2018/2019.

#### **37. TO CONSIDER ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIR DEEMS URGENT (PART 1 OR 2)**

There were no items of business that the Chair deemed urgent.

The Chair closed the meeting by wishing Members and Officers a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. He also thanked Members and Officers for their continued support and co-operation throughout the year.