

## Minute of Meeting Police and Fire and Rescue Scrutiny Sub-Committee

Date	Time	Venue
Tuesday, 29 October 2024	15:00	Council Chambers (Renfrewshire), Council Headquarters, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1AN

**Present:** Councillor Robert Innes, Councillor Janis McDonald, Councillor Cathy McEwan, Councillor Iain McMillan, Councillor Iain Nicolson

### Chair

Councillor Robert Innes, Depute Convener, presided.

### In Attendance

G Hannah, Head of Climate, Public Protection & Roads and G Heaney, Climate and Public Protection Manager (both Environment, Housing & Infrastructure); and R Devine and E Gray, both Senior Committee Services Officers (both Finance & Resources).

### Also In Attendance

Chief Superintendent G McCreadie and Chief Inspector A Marshall (both Police Scotland); and K Murphy, Area Commander and P Storrie, Group Manager (both Scottish Fire and Rescue Service).

### Webcasting of Meeting

Prior to the commencement of the meeting the Depute Convener intimated that this meeting of the Sub-committee would be filmed for live or subsequent broadcast on the Council's internet site.

## **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest intimated prior to the commencement of the meeting.

## **Transparency Statements**

Councillor McMillan indicated that he had a connection to item 1 by reason of his membership of the committee of Thorn Athletic Community Trust who were referenced in the report. However, he indicated that he had applied the objective test and did not consider he had an interest to declare.

### **1 Police Scotland - Performance Report**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Superintendent, Police Scotland, relative to service performance and activities in the Renfrewshire area for the reporting period 1 April to 31 August 2024.

The report summarised the key performance indicators and provided statistics and updates in terms of Renfrewshire's Policing Priorities 2023/26 and Police Scotland's Policing Priorities 2023/26.

**DECIDED:** That the contents of the report and verbal update provided be noted.

### **2 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service - Performance Report**

There was submitted a report by the Group Manager, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) relative to SFRS performance and local fire and rescue service plan priorities in the Renfrewshire area during the period 1 July to 30 September 2024.

The report provided updates in relation to Local Fire and Rescue Service Plan Priorities; Renfrewshire activity; accidental dwelling fires and casualties; unintentional injury and harm; deliberate fire setting; non-domestic fire safety and unwanted fire alarm signals.

**DECIDED:** That the contents of the report and verbal update provided be noted.

### **3 Local Issues**

Councillor McMillan queried whether there had been any update on the consultation exercise undertaken in connection with the proposed closure of Mill Street Police Station, Paisley. The Chief Superintendent confirmed the Police Scotland's Estates Team was currently working through option appraisals and that this was an extremely complex process with a number of contributing factors. It was confirmed that this Sub-committee would be kept up-to-date with any progress which was made on this matter.

The Head of Climate, Public Protection & Roads advised that the Council had been asked to provide a response to two consultations, one from the Chief Inspector of the Constabulary seeking completion and submission of a questionnaire and another from Scottish Fire and Rescue seeking feedback on their three-year strategic plan. Due to the deadline for responses falling between meeting cycles it was proposed that a draft response to both consultations would be prepared and circulated to all members of the Communities and Housing Policy Board for comment prior to submission.

**DECIDED:** That the verbal updates be noted.