

### **Local Government Act 1972**

A Meeting of the Combined Fire Authority for County Durham and Darlington will be held in the County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters on Friday 5 January 2024 at 10.00 am to consider the following business:-

#### PART A

- 1. Declarations of interest, if any
  - If Members are aware of a private or personal conflict of interest in relation to any items on the Agenda, this should be disclosed at this stage or when the conflict of interest arises during consideration of an item in accordance with the Code of Conduct for Members
- 2. Minutes of the meeting held on 25 October 2023 (Pages 5 8)
- 3. Current Correspondence Report of Director of Emergency Response (Pages 9 12)
- 4. Annual Report Report of the Chief Fire Officer (Pages 13 28)
- 5. Notes of the Human Resources Committee held on 21 November 2023 Report of the Chair of the Human Resources Committee (Pages 29 30)
- 6. Notes of Audit and Finance Committee held on 30 November 2023 Report of the Chair of the Audit and Finance Committee (Pages 31 34)
- 7. Notes of the Performance Committee held on 7 December 2023 Report of the Chair of the Performance Committee (Pages 35 46)
- 8. Appointment of Independent Persons to the Combined Fire Authority- Report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Pages 47 48)

- 9. Bonfire Report 2023 Report of the Director of Community Risk Management (Pages 49 52)
- Control Room System Award Contract Report of the Director of Corporate Resources (Pages 53 - 54)
- 11. Government Consultation Response to the Fire Reform White Paper Report of the Chief Fire Officer (Pages 55 58)
- 12. Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chairman of the meeting, is of sufficient urgent to warrant consideration
- 13. Any resolution relating to the exclusion of the public during the discussion of items containing exempt information

### Part B

Items during which it is considered the meeting will not be open to the public (consideration of exempt or confidential information)

- 14. Fire Fatality Presentation (Pages 59 68)
- 15. Strategic Planning Day 16 November 2023 Report of the Chief Fire Officer (Pages 69 74)
- 16. Appointment of Deputy Chief Fire Officer Report of the Chair (Pages 75 76)
- 17. Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chairman of the meeting, is of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration

**PURSUANT** to the provisions of the above named Act, **I HEREBY SUMMON YOU** to attend the said meeting

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Helen Bradley
Clerk to the Combined Fire Authority
for County Durham and Darlington

County Hall Durham

# **TO:** The Members of the Combined Fire Authority for County Durham and Darlington

## **Durham County Councillors:**

Councillors J Atkinson, A Batey, R Bell, J Blakey, J Cairns, C Hampson, N Jones, B Kellett, R Manchester, C Marshall, C Martin, I McLean, E Peeke, J Quinn, S Quinn, G Richardson, K Rooney, P Sexton, K Shaw, J Shuttleworth and S Zair

### **Darlington Borough Councillors:**

Councillors A Anderson, G Lee, D Ray and M Snedker