## **FALKIRK COUNCIL**

Subject: SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE – FALKIRK

PERFORMANCE REPORT

Meeting: SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date: 8 AUGUST 2013

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## 1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Following the establishment of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service on 1 April 2013 under the provisions of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012, local senior officers are required to report on performance with regard to progress being made on the local fire and rescue plan as well as the provision of local services.
- 1.2 Members will recall the first local plan was approved by the Environment and Community Safety Committee in March 2013 and is noted as a background paper to this report.
- 1.3 This report is the first performance report to this Committee, which highlights the performance of local fire and rescue services across the Falkirk Council area, in accordance with the local fire and rescue plan. The detailed performance report and supporting information are attached at Appendix 1 and 1a. Due to internal validation processes data within these appendices remains provisional and may be subject to change. Any future changes will be intimated to Members if required.
- 1.4 Gary Laing, the Senior Local Officer will be at the Committee to present the performance statement and answer questions from Members.

#### 2. CONCLUSION

2.1 This report provides an opportunity for Members to fulfil their scrutiny role on local fire and rescue services as set out in the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012. Last year a helpful guide was published, incorporating a scrutiny checklist. A copy of this is provided at Appendix 2.

### 3. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

3.1 It is recommended that the Scrutiny Committee note performance on the local fire and rescue plan and approve the appendix on performance.

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Performance Report

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#### LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Reports to Environment and Community Safety Committee – 19 March 2013. Annual Police and Fire Plans.

Any person wishing to inspect the background papers listed above should telephone Falkirk 01324 506046 and ask for Andrew Wilson.