

**FALKIRK COUNCIL**

**Subject: SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE – FALKIRK & WEST  
LOTHIAN COMMAND PERFORMANCE REPORT**  
**Meeting: SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**  
**Date: 8 JANUARY 2015**  
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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. A new local Fire and Rescue Plan covering the period 2014 – 2017 was considered and approved by Falkirk Council on 14 May 2014.
- 1.2 The Senior Local Officer has provided the following reports and appendices for Members to consider as follows:
- Falkirk performance report, covering the period April to September 2015 – appendix 1;
  - Supplementary information, supporting the performance report – appendix 2;
  - Structure diagram of the local Scottish Fire and Rescue Service – appendix 3
  - Briefing on future projects – appendix 4;
  - Review of specialist equipment, final report – appendix 5;
  - Falkirk Council briefing note on the review of specialist equipment – appendix 6;
  - Report on the 2014 Bonfire/Firework period – appendix 7; and
  - HM Fire Inspectorate report on emergency medical response, available as follows:  
<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/0046/00460152.pdf>
- 1.3 A local officer from the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service will attend Committee to present these reports 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, and take a view on the submitted reports.

### **3. RECOMMENDATIONS**

**It is recommended that the Scrutiny Committee:**

- 3.1 Note the performance report and supporting information.**

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#### **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Local Plan 2014 – 2017, Falkirk Council, 14 May 2014

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