

FALKIRK COUNCIL

**Subject: SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE – FALKIRK & WEST
LOTHIAN COMMAND PERFORMANCE REPORT**
Meeting: SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
Date: 25 SEPTEMBER 2014
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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 Members will recall the first local plan was approved by the Environment and Community Safety Committee in March 2013.
- 1.3 The Senior Local Officer has provided the following report for Members to consider as follows:
 - The quarter 1, covering the period April to June 2014, performance report for the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service for the Falkirk Council area, attached as Appendix 1. This report now provides information where appropriate for West Lothian and Scotland wide to provide a comparative analysis. More detailed information at multi member ward level has also been provided.
- 1.4 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

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Scrutiny Committee note the quarter 1 performance report, attached at Appendix 1.

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. 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.