

Lancashire Combined Fire Authority

Monday, 23 February 2026 in Washington Hall, Leadership and Development Centre, Euxton commencing at 10.30 am

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Reform UK – Pendle Room

Labour Group – Lancaster House 4

Conservative Group – Lancaster House 5

Progressive Lancashire – Lancaster House 6

Agenda

Part 1 (open to press and public)

Chair's Announcement – Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014

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1. **Chair's Welcome and Introduction**

Standing item.

2. **Apologies for Absence**

3. **Disclosure of Pecuniary and non-Pecuniary Interests**

Members are asked to consider any pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests they may have to disclose to the meeting in relation to matters under consideration on the Agenda.

4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting (Pages 1 - 14)**

5. **Minutes of meeting Wednesday 3 December 2025 of Performance Committee (Pages 15 - 52)**

6. **Minutes of meeting Thursday 11 December 2025 of Audit Committee (Pages 53 - 62)**

7. **Minutes of meeting Monday 2 February 2026 of Planning Committee (Pages 63 - 74)**
8. **Annual Statement of Assurance 2024-25 (Pages 75 - 96)**
9. **Matters of Governance in relation to appeals and dismissals of statutory officers (Pages 97 - 112)**
10. **2026/27 Budget (Pages 113 - 188)**
11. **Member Champion Activity Report and Feedback (Pages 189 - 194)**
12. **Fire Protection Reports (Pages 195 - 198)**
13. **Operational Incidents of Interest (Pages 199 - 202)**
14. **Member Complaints**

Standing item.

15. **Urgent Business**

An item of business may only be considered under this heading where, by reason of special circumstances to be recorded in the Minutes, the Chair of the meeting is of the opinion that the item should be considered as a matter of urgency. Wherever possible, the Clerk should be given advance warning of any Member's intention to raise a matter under this heading.

16. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Authority will be held on **Monday 27 April 2026** at 1030 hours at Washington Hall, Leadership and Development Centre, Euxton.

17. **Exclusion of Press and Public**

The Authority is asked to consider whether, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, they consider that the public should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that there would be a likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the appropriate paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, indicated under the heading to the item.

18. **Appointment of Monitoring Officer (Pages 203 - 206)**

(Paragraphs 1 and 3)

19. **Business Continuity Planning (Pages 207 - 212)**

(Paragraphs 3 and 4)