

## **LANCASHIRE COMBINED FIRE AUTHORITY**

Meeting to be held on 19 December 2016

### **LGA FIRE COMMISSION REPRESENTATION**

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#### **Executive Summary**

After the Annual meeting each year, the Authority nominates the Chairman and Vice-Chairman to be its representatives on the Local Government Association (LGA) Fire Commission. Also, the LGAs political groups appoint as necessary additional members from fire authorities to ensure political balance.

In addition, the Fire Commission has a management committee which acts on behalf of the Commission. The LGAs political groups also appoint as necessary members from fire authorities to sit on this committee which is also politically balanced.

#### **Recommendation**

That the Authority approves the appointment of CC D O'Toole as an additional member of the LGA Fire Commission for 2016/17.

#### **Information**

The Authority nominates the Chairman and Vice-Chairman on an annual basis after the Annual meeting each year to be its representatives on the Local Government Association (LGA) Fire Commission.

The Fire Commission provides a forum to discuss matters of common interest and concern to fire authorities.

All fire authorities in full or corporate membership of the Local Government Association (LGA) have the right to representation and voting on this Commission in accordance with the LGA Constitution, Standing Orders and Political Conventions.

The Fire Commission has a management committee which acts on behalf of the Commission. Its role is to represent as an LGA body the views and concerns of the fire community ensuring that local circumstances have a voice in the national context. It leads on behalf of the LGA: on the future direction of the fire and rescue service; improvement within the sector; and on all other day-to-day issues (e.g. technical or operational matters) affecting fire authorities.

CC O'Toole has been approached by the LGA Conservative Group to sit on the Fire Commission. The Fire Authority is therefore asked to approve this appointment for 2016/17.

Future Authority approval to appoint additional members to the LGA Fire Commission or Fire Services Management Committee will be presented to the Annual Meeting each year.

**Business Risk**

None

**Environmental Impact**

None

**Equality & Diversity Implications**

None

**Financial Risk**

None

**HR Implications**

None

**Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985**

List of Background Papers

Paper	Date	Contact
N/A		Diane Brooks
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