LANCASHIRE COMBINED FIRE AUTHORITY

Meeting to be held on 28 June 2021

REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES 2021/22

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Executive Summary

The Authority is requested to determine its representation on outside bodies for the 2021/22 municipal year.

Recommendation

The Authority is asked to consider and approve the representatives as set out in the report for 2021/22.

Information

The Authority usually determines its representation on outside bodies on an annual basis. However, in line with the Coronavirus Act 2020 and subsequent Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 responsibilities were carried forward from the municipal year 2019/20 to 2020/21.

The Authority is now requested to determine its representation on outside bodies for the 2021/22 municipal year.

Detailed below is the membership agreed at the Authority's annual meeting in June 2019: -

| Appointment | 2019-2021 Membership | |
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| LGA Annual General Assembly | Fire Commission representative | |
| | (Chairman is authorised to cast the | |
| | Authority's vote) | |
| LGA Fire Commission | Chairman of the Authority | |
| | Vice-Chairman of the Authority | |
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| Additional political group appointment(s) | County Councillors David O'Toole and | |
| | Nikki Hennessy | |
| North West Fire and Rescue Forum | Chairman of the Authority | |
| | Vice-Chairman of the Authority | |
| | Leader of the Opposition | |
| North West Fire Control Board of | Chairman of the Authority | |
| Directors | Vice-Chairman of the Authority | |

Proposed representation for 2021/22

LGA Annual General Assembly 2021/22

The Authority is requested to appoint the Chairman as its representative to cast the Authority's vote.

LGA Fire Commission representatives 2021/22

The Authority is requested to appoint the Chairman and Vice-Chairman to be its representatives on the Local Government Association (LGA) Fire Commission.

In addition, the Authority has delegated authority to the Chairman of the Authority (resolution 9/17 refers) to authorise as an 'approved duty' any additional representation(s) to either the LGA Fire Commission or the Fire Services Management Committee.

North West Fire & Rescue Forum

The Authority is requested to appoint representatives for 2021/22 in accordance with political balance rules as: -

- Chairman of the Authority;
- Vice-Chairman of the Authority;
- Main Opposition Spokesperson.

Directors of North West Fire Control Company

Political balance rules do not apply in relation to the appointment of Directors.

The Authority is requested to appoint as Directors for 2021/22:-

- Chairman of the Authority;
- Vice-Chairman of the Authority.

Business Risk

None

Environmental Impact

None

Equality and Diversity Implications

None

HR Implications

None

Financial Implications

Payment of relevant Allowances are in accordance with the Combined Fire Authority's Members' Allowance Scheme.

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 List of Background Papers

| Paper | Date | Contact |
|--|------------------------------|--|
| CFA minutes | 19 June 2017 17 June 2019 | Diane Brooks Principal Member Services Officer |
| Coronavirus Act 2020, s78 Local Authority meetings | 25 March 2020 | Oncer |
| The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 | 4 April 2020 | |
| Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate: N/A | | |