

Minute of Meeting held in Council Chamber / MS Teams, Council Offices, Stornoway on Wednesday 31 January 2024 at 2.00pm.

PRESENT Dr Frances Murray (Vice-Chair)

Mr Grant Fulton Mr Calum Maclean

Mr Ranald Fraser Mr Malcolm K Macdonald
Mr Norman Misty Macdonald Mr Finlay M Stewart

Mr Donald Macsween

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE Mr Iain A MacNeil Mr Robert Mackenzie
Mr Paul Steele Mr Angus Morrison

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OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE Mr Calum Iain Maciver Mrs Linda Cunningham
Mr Derek Mackay Mrs Fiona Maciver
Mrs Anne MacDonald

In the absence of Mr George Murray (Chair), Dr Frances Murray (Vice-Chair) chaired the

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meeting.

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The Minute of Meeting of 22 November 2023 was approved.

Declaration of 2 Interest There were no declarations of interest.

POLICE AND FIRE

Na h-Eileanan an Iar Local Fire and Rescue Plan Review 2023 The Chief Executive submitted a Report informing Members of a review carried out by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) into the current Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Na h-Eileanan an Iar, and sought approval for the five Local Priorities which would form the basis of the next Local Fire and Rescue Plan.

The Report stated that the SFRS was required under the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005, as amended by the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012, to prepare Local Fire and Rescue Plans for each local authority in Scotland. The Comhairle welcomed the opportunity to comment on the SFRS' review of its existing Local Fire and Rescue Plan and the preparation of its new Plan. The contribution of firefighters to the wellbeing of the local community could not be overstated and the Comhairle valued the selfless service of our firefighters who put their own lives in danger to protect others.

The Report detailed the Proposed Local Priorities identified by SFRS for the next Local Fire and Rescue Plan and set out a draft Comhairle response in respect of these Proposed Local Priorities. It was intimated at the meeting that SFRS had extended the deadline for responses to the Review to 14 February 2024.

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It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle endorses the review of the existing Local Fire and Rescue Plan carried out by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) and approves the recommendations detailed in Section 7 of the Report in respect of the Local Priorities proposed for the new Local Fire and Rescue Plan.

PERFORMANCE MONITORING

Reports Outstanding 4 There were no Reports outstanding.