

Minute of Meeting held in Council Chamber, Council Offices, Stornoway on Wednesday, 12 June 2024 at 2.00pm.

PRESENT Mr George Murray (Chair)

Dr Frances Murray (Vice-Chair)

Mr Mustapha Hocine

Mr Donald Macsween

Mr Malcolm K Macdonald Mr Finlay M Stewart

APOLOGIES Mr Norman Misty Macdonald

Mr Calum Maclean

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE Mr Iain A MacNeil

Mr Paul Steele Mr Robert Mackenzie Mr Angus Morrison Mr Iain M Macaulay Mr Duncan MacInnes Mr Angus McCormack

IN ATTENDANCE Mr Macolm Burr Mrs Anne MacDonald

Mr Calum Iain Maciver Mrs Fiona Maciver Mr Derek Mackay Mrs Katie Macaskill

Mrs Linda Cunningham Chief Inspector Jane Mackenzie
Mr Jack Libby Area Commander Scott Gibson
Mr Colm Fraser Group Commander Dougie Campbell

MINUTES

Minute of Meeting of 31 January 2024

The Minute of Meeting of 31 January 2024 was approved.

Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

POLICE AND FIRE

The Chair ruled the following item as urgent to allow the matter to be considered prior to the next meeting of the Board.

Comhairle nan
Eilean Siar Local
Police Area –
Performance
Against the
Comhairle nan
Eilean Siar Local

Policing Plan 2023-

With reference to item, 4 of the Minute of Meeting of 22 November 2023 Area Commander Chief Inspector Jane Mackenzie submitted a Report summarising current performance against the 2023-2026 Comhairle nan Eilean Siar Local Policing Plan objectives covering the period 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024.

objective

It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle note the progress made against the objectives set within the Comhairle nan Eilean Siar Local Policing Plan 2023-2026.

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Scottish Fire and Rescue Service – Performance Against the Fire and Rescue Plan for the Western Isles With reference to item 4 of the Minute of Meeting of 22 November 2023, Area Commander Scott Gibson and Group Commander Dougie Campbell, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) submitted a Report providing details of the performance of the Fire and Rescue Service for Quarters 3 and 4 2023/24, reflecting the performance outcomes outlined within the Fire and Rescue Plan for the Western Isles. Area Commander Gibson, and Group Commander Campbell, SFRS presented the Performance Report to the Board.

It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle note the Performance Report.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Consultation: Shaping Our Future Service – Report by SFRS Scottish Fire and Rescue Services submitted papers in relation to their public preconsultation "Shaping Our Future Service: Your Say". Area Commander Gibson and Group Commander Campbell provided an overview of the consultation and encouraged Elected Members and communities to provide their views by the deadline of 30 June 2024.

It was agreed recommend that the Comhairle note the consultation papers.

'Shaping Our Future Service: Your Say' SFRS Pre-Consultation — Report by Chief Executive The Chief Executive submitted a Report concerning the Comhairle's draft response to the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service's (SFRS) 'Shaping Our Future Service: Your Say' Public Pre-Consultation. The Report stated that the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) was undergoing a process of change as it developed into a thoroughly modern fire and rescue service, ready for the challenges of Scotland's future. To deliver the best service to communities, the SFRS must have the right resources in the right place at the right time and, through this Pre-Consultation, the community was invited to comment on the SFRS's plans going forward.

The Comhairle's draft response to the pre-consultation was provided as an Appendix to the Report. In its response, the Comhairle undertook to work with the SFRS to provide an inter-agency, holistic and preventative services to islands communities, underpinned at all times by comprehensive coverage with appliances and trained fire fighting personnel.

It was agreed to recommended that the Comhairle note the Report and approve the response to the 'Shaping Our Future Service: Your Say' public pre-consultation.

CONSUMER AND ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION

Consumer and Environmental Services Service Plan 2024/25

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The Depute Chief Executive submitted a Report seeking approval for the Consumer and Environmental Services Service Plan 2024/25. The Report stated that the Comhairle was required to develop certain Service Plans to satisfy external agreements such as the Framework Agreement on Local Authority Food Law Enforcement, the National Performance Framework for Trading Standards Services and the framework agreement in place that relates to Animal Health and Welfare. The Framework Agreements required that these plans be submitted to the relevant member forum for approval to ensure local transparency and accountability; including any reviews.

The Report further stated that a combined Consumer and Environmental Services Service Plan for 2024/2025, incorporating all Services had been prepared and included the Services not covered by external agreements. The Plan was detailed in Appendix 1 to the Report.

It was agreed to recommended that the Comhairle agrees to approve the Consumer and Environmental Services Service Plan for 2024/25.

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PERFORMANCE MONITORING

Reports Outstanding 7 There were no Reports outstanding.