Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Sub-Committee

Thursday 22 February 2018 at 2.30pm

Present: Provost Brennan, Councillors Clocherty, Curley, J McEleny (for MacLeod), McCabe, C McEleny, McVey, Quinn and Robertson.

Chair: Councillor Clocherty presided.

In attendance: Mr H Scott (for Acting Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities), Mr I Hanley (Safer & Inclusive Communities) and Ms S Lang (for Head of Legal & Property Services).

In attendance also: Chief Superintendent G Crossan and Superintendent R Kennedy, Police Scotland, Group Manager M Gallacher (for Area Manager G Binning), Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

The following paragraphs are submitted for information only, having been dealt with under the powers delegated to the Sub-Committee.

118 Area Manager David Proctor

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The Convener referred to the recent retiral of Area Manager David Proctor, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service and, on behalf of the Sub-Committee, extended his best wishes to Mr Proctor for a long and happy retirement.

119 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

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An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor MacLeod, with Councillor J McEleny substituting, and Councillor Murphy.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

120 Local Police Plan 2017 - 2020

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development requesting the Sub-Committee to consider the Inverclyde Local Police Plan 2017 – 2020.

The Sub-Committee heard a presentation on the Plan by Superintendent Kennedy which covered national and local priorities, how these are identified and the four pillars underpinning the priorities. Thereafter, both Superintendent Kennedy and Chief Superintendent Crossan answered a number of questions from Members relating to the Plan.

Decided: that the Sub-Committee endorse the Local Police Plan 2017 – 2020.

121 Local Fire and Rescue Plan 2017 - 2020

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There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development on the Local Fire and Rescue Plan 2017 – 2020. During the course of discussion on this item, the view was expressed, in relation to the

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recently launched consultation on the future of the Fire and Rescue Service in Scotland, that no change should be made to the existing community fire station provision within Inverclyde and that all three stations in Greenock, Gourock and Port Glasgow should remain open.

Decided:

- (1) that the Sub-Committee note the Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Inverclyde 2017–2020 which had previously been endorsed by the Education & Communities Committee on 31 October 2017; and
- (2) that a response be made to the Fire and Rescue Service consultation on the basis that no change be made to the existing community fire station provision in Inverciyde.

Provost Brennan left the meeting at this juncture.

122 Police Scotland Performance Report

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There was submitted a report on the performance and activities of Police Scotland during the reporting period April to December 2017.

Decided: that the information contained in the report and appendices be noted.

123 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Performance Report

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There was submitted a report on the performance and activities of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service during the reporting period quarter 3 of 2017 – 18.

Decided: that the information contained in the report and appendices be noted.