

Police and Fire Scrutiny Committee

Fire and Rescue Local Inverclyde

Update



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Recruitment

SFRS welcomed 57 new trainee firefighters to the service at a graduation ceremony at the National Training Centre on 20th December 2019.

The Area were delighted that 5 of these trainees were allocated to ERRI with 4 of them securing placements within Inverclyde.

RDS Recruitment Strategy

ERRI management have a dedicated officer who will now look at our Retained Duty System (RDS) Firefighters (FF) and how we advertise, recruit and train them.

Part of this process will be how we promote the role of the RDS FF, how members of the public within Inverclyde can obtain information on the role and how candidates with the requisite skills can apply to become part of their local RDS unit.

SFRS will deploy an advertising trailer and will look, in conjunction with colleagues within Inverclyde council, to deploy this at an appropriate location and to work with committee members to find the best way to promote this through local media outlets.

Local Fire and Rescue Plan

The publication of SFRS' new Strategic Plan, which was approved in October 2019, instigates our requirement to carry out a review of each of our Local Fire and Rescue Plans.

The primary focus will remain on the delivery of our core functions, but we will also consider how we may collaborate more to expand our reach and support a wider range of local needs within Inverclyde.

The survey is available at <https://firescotland.citizenspace.com/> and is open online until 18 March 2020.