LOCAL POLICE & FIRE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 27 MAY 2021

Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Committee

Thursday 27 May 2021 at 3pm

Present: Provost Brennan (for Clocherty), Crowther, Jackson, MacLeod, J McEleny, McVey, Moran, Murphy, Quinn and Wilson.

Chair: Councillor McVey presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Head of Culture, Communities & Educational Resources, Service Manager Community Learning & Development, Community Safety & Resilience and Sport, Mr I Hanley (Community Safety & Resilience), Ms R Dillon (for Interim Head of Service Public Protection and Covid Recovery), Ms A Sinclair (Interim Head of Legal Services), Ms L Carrick and Ms D Sweeney (Legal Services), ICT Service Manager and Service Manager Communications, Tourism and Health & Safety.

In attendance also: Chief Superintendent D Duncan and Chief Inspector P Cameron (Police Scotland) and Group Manager D McCarrey and Station Manager M Meehan (Scottish Fire and Rescue Service).

The meeting was held by video conference.

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

227 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Clocherty with Provost Brennan substituting.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

228 Scottish Fire & Rescue Service Performance Report

There was submitted a report on the performance and activities of the Scottish Fire & Rescue Service during the reporting period 1 January 2021 to 31 March 2021. Prior to reporting on this item, Group Manager McCarrey provided an overview of the Career Ready Scheme starting over the next 12 to 18 months. The scheme encourages under-represented groups to consider a career in the Service. Group Manager McCarrey reported that the Fire Service will be holding events providing information about the different career paths open and the opportunities available within the Service. Group Manager McCarrey confirmed that three young people from Inverclyde are taking part in the scheme.

Group Manager McCarrey conveyed his thanks to the Communications Team at Inverclyde Council for promoting the scheme.

Decided: that the information in the report be noted.

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229 Police Scotland Performance Report

There was submitted a report on the performance and activities of Police Scotland during the reporting period 1 April 2020 to 28 February 2021.

During discussion of this item Chief Inspector Cameron advised that Police Scotland and the Short Life Working Group chaired by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development are working on the new format in relation to reporting complaints back to the Committee.

Councillors Murphy and Wilson left the meeting during consideration of this item. **Decided:** that the information contained in the report be noted.

230 Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Committee Update Report (May 2021)

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development providing an update on current and emerging issues relating to both Police and Fire & Rescue Services.

Decided: that the current and emerging national issues relating to Police and Fire & Rescue matters be noted.

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