

## LOCAL POLICE & FIRE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 3 FEBRUARY 2022

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### Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Committee

Thursday 3 February 2022 at 3pm

**Present:** Councillors Clocherty, Crowther, MacLeod, J McEleny, McGuire McVey, Moran, Nelson and Quinn.

**Chair:** Councillor McVey presided.

**In attendance:** Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Head of Culture Communities and Educational Resources, Interim Head of Service Public Protection & Covid Recovery, Ms A Sinclair for (Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Mr W Rice (Culture, Communities and Educational Resources), Ms L Carrick and Ms D Sweeney (Legal & Democratic Services), ICT Services Manager and Mr P J Coulter (for Service Manager Communications, Tourism and Health & Safety).

**In attendance also:** Chief Superintendent V Little and Chief Inspector P Cameron (Police Scotland) and Area Commander D McCarrey and Group Commander M Henderson (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.**

#### **77 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 77**

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Jackson and Wilson.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

#### **78 Police Scotland Performance Report 78**

There was submitted a report on the performance and activities of Police Scotland during the reporting period 1 April 2021 to 31 October 2021. During the course of discussion on this item Chief Inspector Cameron advised that Police Scotland has linked with Education Services to give young people access to the Fearless Campaign, which allows the anonymous reporting of crime, through the GLOW online digital school learning platform.

**Decided:** that the information contained in the report be noted.

#### **79 Scottish Fire & Rescue Service Performance Report 79**

There was submitted a report on the performance and activities of the Scottish Fire & Rescue Service during the reporting period 1 October 2021 to 31 December 2021. During the course of discussion on this item reference was made to the new interlinked smoke and fire alarms now required by Scottish Legislation. Area Commander McCarrey answered a number of Members questions and advised that the Scottish Fire & Rescue Service will fit interlinked alarms where the individual/household is assessed

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as “high risk” following a home safety visit and that safety advice and information will also be provided. He further advised that the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service will provide battery operated systems for those individuals/households who do not meet the criteria for an interlinked alarm, adding that guidance and further information can be found via the Scottish Government website.

**Decided:** that the information contained in the report be noted.

**80 Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Committee Update Report****80**

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

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