

LOCAL POLICE & FIRE SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE – 19 FEBRUARY 2015

Local Police & Fire Scrutiny Sub-Committee

Thursday 19 February 2015 at 2.30pm

Present: Councillors Brennan, Brooks, Campbell-Sturgess, Clocherty, Loughran, McCabe, McColgan and Shepherd.

Chair: Councillor Loughran presided.

In attendance: Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities and Ms S Lang (for Head of Legal & Property Services).

In attendance also: Chief Superintendent J Downie and Chief Inspector R Kennedy, Police Scotland, Area Manager P Tanzilli and Group Manager P Nelis, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service.

Prior to the commencement of business, the Convener referred to the imminent retiral of Area Manager Tanzilli and on behalf of the Sub-Committee, conveyed his best wishes to him for a long and happy retirement.

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

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| 108 | Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest | 108 |
| | Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors McEleny and Wilson. | |
| | No declarations of interest were intimated. | |
| 109 | Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Performance Report | 109 |
| | There was submitted a report on Fire and Rescue performance and activities in Inverclyde during the second and third quarters of the 2014/15 reporting period. | |
| | Noted | |
| 110 | Police Scotland Performance Report | 110 |
| | There was submitted a performance report for the Inverclyde local policing area covering the period 1 April to 31 December 2014 showing a comparison with the same period in 2013. | |
| | Noted | |
| 111 | Police Scotland Briefing Paper – Proposed Merge of West Dunbartonshire and Argyll and Bute with Renfrewshire and Inverclyde Divisions (L and K Divisions) | 111 |
| | There was submitted Police Scotland briefing paper, “Strengthening Local Policing” providing an overview of the proposed merge of West Dunbartonshire and Argyll and Bute with Renfrewshire and Inverclyde Divisions (L and K Divisions), setting out the associated benefits and risks and providing an update on ongoing consultations and engagement with local communities and key stakeholders. | |

Decided:

- (1) that the contents of the briefing paper be noted; and
- (2) that it be remitted to the Convener and Vice-Convener together with representatives of the two main minority groups and relevant officers to make observations on the proposals contained in the briefing paper for submission to Police Scotland.