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SUBJECT: LOCAL FIRE AND RESCUE PLAN FOR DUNDEE 2017 - 2020

**Abstract**

The Report contains background information in support of Member's considering approval of the final draft Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Dundee 2017-2020.

**1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

The purpose of this report is to present, for approval, the final draft Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Dundee 2017-2020, which is attached as Appendix 1.

**2 RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that members:

Note the contents of the report and supporting appendix  
Approve the final draft Local Fire and Rescue Service Plan for Dundee 2017-2020.

**3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

None.

**4 LOCAL FIRE AND RESCUE PLAN FOR DUNDEE 2017-2020**

- 4.1 The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) is required under the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005, as amended by the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012, to prepare Local Fire and Rescue Plans for each local authority in Scotland.
- 4.2 The first Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Dundee covered 2014-2017. This plan was developed to provide direction for the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service at a local level and to support the initial transition and consolidation process following the creation of the national Fire and Rescue Service under the 2012 Act.
- 4.3 The publication, in October 2016, of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service's new three-year Strategic Plan provides the national strategic framework that underpins the requirement to undertake the mandatory review of all Local Fire and Rescue Plans.
- 4.4 The development of a new Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Dundee provided an opportunity to review how well the Fire and Rescue Service within Dundee had performed against existing priorities. Furthermore, it helped to identify areas for

improving the safety and overall wellbeing of the communities of Dundee against a backdrop of increased demand for public services and changing risk profile. The outcome of the review formed the basis of a draft plan for public consultation.

- 4.5 Public consultation on the draft plan ran from 26<sup>th</sup> June until 25<sup>th</sup> September 2017. Engagement with key stakeholders also took place, including staff, elected members and Community Planning Partners. Written and emailed responses to the consultation were received from a variety of organisations and individuals. These were, on the whole very supportive of the draft plan and comments noted were fully considered.

## **5 COMMUNITY PLANNING IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 The Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Dundee supports the crucial role of Community Planning in helping to deliver the ambitions of the Dundee Partnership. The priorities within the draft plan align to the shared outcomes contained within the City Plan and the plans developed by Local Community Planning Partnerships.

## **6 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

- 6.1 A single Equality Impact Assessment was prepared to provide supporting information for the preparation of all SFRS Local Plans. The evidence within the impact assessment was considered and applied as appropriate to the Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Dundee.

## **7 ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES**

- 7.1 There are no environmental issues arising as a consequence of this report.

## **8 SUMMARY**

- 8.1 The attached final draft Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Dundee sets out proposed priorities for improving community safety, whilst helping to address inequalities and enhancing the overall wellbeing of the communities of Dundee. The SFRS's contribution towards supporting the City Plan and Local Community Planning objectives sits within the context of the draft plan.

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