

MORAY COUNCIL

**MINUTE OF MEETING OF THE POLICE AND FIRE AND
RESCUE SERVICES COMMITTEE**

THURSDAY 24 MAY 2018

COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ELGIN

PRESENT

Councillors J Allan (Chair); R Shepherd (Depute Chair); G Cowie; P Coy; J Divers;
L Laing; M MacRae and A Patience.

APOLOGIES

Apologies were intimated on behalf of Councillor L Creswell.

IN ATTENDANCE

Chief Superintendent C Thomson and Detective Inspector N Stevenson both Police Scotland; Mr I Findlay, Local Senior Officer, Scottish Fire and Rescue Services; the Head of Development Services and Mrs C Howie, Committee Services Officer as Clerk to the Committee.

1. DECLARATION OF GROUP DECISIONS AND MEMBER'S INTERESTS

In terms of Standing Order 20 and the Councillors' Code of Conduct, there were no declarations from Group Leaders or Spokespersons in regard to any prior decisions taken on how Members will vote on any item on the agenda or any declarations of Member's interests in respect of any item on the agenda.

2. EXEMPT INFORMATION

The meeting resolved that in terms of Section 50A (4) and (5) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, the public and media representatives be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the items of business appearing at the relevant paragraphs of this minute as specified below, so as to avoid disclosure of exempt information of the class described in the appropriate paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

<u>Paragraph No. of Minute</u>	<u>Paragraph No. of Schedule 7A</u>
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**3. MINUTE OF THE POLICE AND FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES
COMMITTEE DATED 15 FEBRUARY 2018**

The minute of the meeting of the Police and Fire and Rescue Services Committee dated 15 February 2018 was submitted and approved.

4. WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Committee noted that no written questions had been submitted.

5. SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE MORAY PERFORMANCE REPORT 1 APRIL 2017 TO 31 MARCH 2018

Under reference to paragraph 5 of the Minute of the meeting dated 23 November 2017 a report by Mr Ian Findlay, Local Senior Officer, Aberdeenshire and Moray, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service informed the Committee of the performance of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service locally in respect of the Moray Local Fire and Rescue Plan 2017-20.

Following consideration the Committee agreed to note the performance outlined in the report applicable to the annual performance for 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018.

6. POLICE OPERATIONAL VERBAL UPDATE

A verbal update on Police Operations was provided by Chief Superintendent Campbell Thomson, Divisional Police Commander, North East Division, Police Scotland.

In response to a query from Councillor Coy, Chief Superintendent Thomson advised there had been interaction with almost 100 people in relation to illegal parking which has led to an improvement in the situation.

Chief Superintendent Thomson advised year end data would not be released until Monday; thereafter it was his intention to bring a full report to the next meeting of the Committee.

Chief Superintendent Thomson advised that the Moray Group of the Police Scotland Youth Volunteers (PSYV) meets at Elgin High School and gave a brief overview of some of the events they have been involved in. He enquired if Committee would wish to receive a report on the PSYV to the next meeting and Committee agreed this would be of benefit. Thereafter he advised the Group would be having a passing out parade on 6 June for those volunteers who had completed their training and invited Committee to attend.

Thereafter the Committee agreed to:

- i) note the operational update provided by Chief Superintendent Thomson;
- ii) a report on the year end data being presented to the next meeting; and
- iii) a report on the Police Scotland Youth Volunteers Moray Group being presented to the next meeting.

7. THEMATIC REPORT – OPPORTUNIST CRIME

A report by Chief Superintendent Campbell Thomson, Divisional Police Commander, North East Division, Police Scotland provided information to the Committee in relation to Acquisitive Crime, in particular those which have an opportunist element within Moray.

Following consideration, the Committee agreed to note the information provided in the report in relation to Acquisitive Crime, in particular those which have an opportunist element within Moray.

8. QUESTION TIME

Councillor Coy took the opportunity to thank Mr Findlay for the recent opportunity to visit the fire station which she found to be particularly informative.

9. POLICE OPERATIONAL VERBAL UPDATE [PARA 14]

A verbal update by Chief Superintendent Campbell Thomson, Divisional Police Commander, North East Division, Police Scotland provided information on operational matters within Police Scotland.

Following consideration the Committee agreed to note the informative operational update from Police Scotland.