

REPORT TO: POLICE AND FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES COMMITTEE ON 18 FEBRUARY 2021

SUBJECT: SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE MORAY - LOCAL FIRE AND RESCUE PLAN 2021

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1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 To present for approval by the Committee the Moray Local Fire and Rescue Plan 2021 (as referred to on **APPENDIX 1**).
- 1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of Section III (J) (3) of the Council's Scheme of Administration relating to relating to setting priorities and objectives for Local Fire and Rescue Plans for Moray.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee consider and approve the Moray Local Fire and Rescue Plan 2021 and the priorities contained within.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The main purpose of this report is to request Committee to approve the Moray Local Fire and Rescue Plan 2021 and the priorities contained within.
- 3.2 The Police and Fire (Reform) Scotland Act 2012 places a duty on the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) to prepare a local fire and rescue plan for the local authority area. This can be summarised as follows:
 - The SFRS must prepare a local fire and rescue plan for each local authority area.
 - The SFRS must submit a local fire and rescue plan for approval to the local authority for the area to which the plan relates.

- The SFRS must give to a local authority such information or reports relating to the carrying out of the Service's functions in the local authority's area as the authority may reasonably request.
- The Local Senior Officer for each local authority area for the purpose of carrying out on behalf of the Service delegated functions including:
 - a) The preparation and review of the local fire and rescue plan
 - b) The provision of information to the local authority
 - c) The receiving of feedback from the local authority
 - d) The SFRS's functions relating to its duty to participate in Community Planning.
- Monitor and provide feedback to SFRS on the manner in which it carries out its functions
- Provide feedback by reference to any local fire and rescue plan in force in its area.
- 3.3 The Moray Local Fire and Rescue Plan 2021 is a 3-year plan and details local priorities, actions and outcomes for the wider Moray area.
- 3.4 The Moray Local Fire and Rescue Plan 2021 will continue to be underpinned and delivered via respective local fire station plans.
- 3.5 This report aligns to a previous report submitted and as approved by Moray Police and Fire and Rescue Services Committee on 19 November 2020.

4. <u>SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS</u>

(a) Corporate Plan and 10 Year Plan (Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP) The discharging of the Council's responsibilities in relation to the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 is of direct relevance to the delivery of the Council's responsibilities in relation to Community Planning and the Local Outcome Improvement Plan

(b) Policy and Legal

This report is brought before the Moray Police and Fire Committee within its remit for local scrutiny and governance arrangements.

(c) Financial implications

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

(d) **Risk Implications**

There are no risk implications arising from this report

(e) Staffing Implications

There are no staffing implications arising from this report

(f) Property

There are no staffing implications arising from this report

(g) Equalities/Socio Economic Impact

A generic equality impact assessment is available from SFRS on request. There will be no differential impact, as a result of the report, on people with protected characteristics.

(h) Consultations

A robust consultation and engagement process was undertaken by the Local Senior Officer utilising the SFRS's consultation hub involving key internal and external stakeholders for the development of the Moray Local Fire and Rescue Plan.

5. <u>CONCLUSION</u>

The Committee approves the Moray Local Fire and Rescue Plan for 2021.

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