

Summary Report to Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee 15th October 2015

At the Council meeting in May 2015, Council agreed to make it a requirement that the Council nominee(s) to four specific outside bodies shall submit summary reports to the Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee. The specific bodies identified were: -

- Essex Fire Authority
- Southend University Hospital - NHS Foundation Trust
- Essex Police and Crime Panel
- Kent & Essex Inshore Fisheries & Conservation Authority

In your response, please indicate which Group / Body this report relates to.

Notes:-

- *Where there is more than one nominee, a joint report shall be submitted.*
- *Council has agreed that updates shall be submitted to every other ordinary meeting of the Scrutiny Committee.*

Name of Group / Body:- Essex County Fire & Rescue Authority

Update on Key Issues

Essex County Fire and Rescue Service is undertaking a major change programme. For background the full consultation document is available on this link:

[Leading the way to a Safer Essex integrated Risk Management Plan Consultation Document 2015 – 2020](#)

Members received a presentation about the consultation on 1st September and in summary the briefing set out the context for change and the range of future options for changing the way in which the Fire and Rescue Service is structured across Essex, Southend and Thurrock.

This is the first stage of a two-part consultation. There will be a follow up consultation, scheduled for later this year and I am more than happy to make a further report back to the scrutiny committee in the new year.

Person / Persons Making Response:

Councillor Ann Holland.

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