

Minute

Police and Fire Sub-committee

Tuesday, 20 May 2025, 14:00.

Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Place, Kirkwall.



Present

Councillors David Dawson, Duncan A Tullock, Raymond S Peace and Jean E Stevenson.

Present via remote link (Microsoft Teams)

Councillors Graham A Bevan and Mellissa-Louise Thomson.

Clerk

- Sandra Craigie, Committees Officer.

In Attendance

- Hayley Green, Director of Infrastructure and Organisational Development.
- Kenny MacPherson, Head of Property and Asset Management.
- Kelechi Eze, Solicitor.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service:

- David McGroarty, Group Commander.

Police Scotland:

- Chief Inspector Scott Robertson.

Apology

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie.

Declarations of Interest

- No declarations of interest were intimated.

Chair

- Councillor David Dawson.

1. Tribute

The Chair paid tribute to two firefighters, Martyn Sadler and Jennie Logan, and one member of the public, Dave Chester, who had lost their lives in a fire at a business park in Oxfordshire, following which the Sub-committee observed a minute's silence.

2. Governance

The Sub-committee noted that, going forward, Police Scotland had indicated they would be submitting biannual performance reports, rather than quarterly performance reports, to the Police and Fire Sub-committee.

3. Performance Against Orkney Fire and Rescue Plan

After consideration of a report by Scott Gibson, Local Senior Officer, copies of which had been circulated, and after hearing a report from David McGroarty, Group Commander, the Sub-committee:

Scrutinised the statistical performance of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Services, Orkney Islands area, for the period 1 January to 31 March 2025, detailed in the Quarterly Performance Report, attached as Appendix 1 to the report by the Local Senior Officer, and obtained assurance that progress was being made against the objectives.

4. Conclusion of Meeting

At 14:41 the Chair declared the meeting concluded.

Signed: David Dawson.