Shropshire and Wrekin Fire and Rescue Authority
25 June 2025

Committee Membership and Appointments

Report of the Clerk

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1 Purpose of Report

This report asks the Fire Authority to confirm appointments to its committees; to appoint its representative on the Local Government Association Fire Services Commission; and to appoint its Member Champions.

2 Recommendations

The Fire Authority is asked to:

- a) Consider and decide upon the appointment of Members to serve on committees, as set out in the Appendix to the report;
- b) Confirm the delegation to the Monitoring Officer as detailed in paragraph 5 of the report.
- c) Appoint its representative on the Local Government Association Fire Services Commission;
- d) Appoint an Equality and Diversity Member Champion; and
- e) Appoint a Risk Management and Audit Member Champion.

3 Background

In accordance with the Fire Authority's Standing Order 7(2) for the Regulation of Proceedings and Business, the Fire Authority is required at least annually to review the constitution and composition of any committees or subcommittees, which it has appointed.

4 Membership of Committees

Members will already have reviewed and decided upon the allocation of seats on committees to political groups at item 6a on the agenda for this meeting.

The Fire Authority is now asked to agree the appointment of named Members to serve on its committees. The Appendix to the report sets out the

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Committees and the seats on them that each political group needs to appoint to.

5 Delegation to Monitoring Officer

At the Annual Meeting in 2014 Members delegated permanent authority to the Monitoring Officer to approve changes to committee membership, which may be proposed during the year by the appropriate Political Group Leader. This enables changes to be made quickly without the need to refer them to the full Fire Authority for ratification.

6 Local Government Association Fire Services Commission

Each year the Fire Authority appoints its representative on the Local Government Association Fire Services Commission, which has historically been the Chair of the Authority. Members are asked to consider whether this arrangement should continue and appoint its representative accordingly.

7 Member Champions

The Fire Authority has two Member Champion roles: one for Equality and Diversity and one for Risk Management and Audit.

The Fire Authority is asked to appoint Members to these roles for the coming year.

8 Financial Implications

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

9 Legal Comment

Under its Standing Orders for the Regulation of Proceedings and Business the Fire Authority is required at least annually:

- To consider the constitution of its committees and sub-committees and their membership (Standing Order 6.3); and
- To review the constitution and composition of any committees or subcommittees which have been appointed (Standing Order 7.2).

10 Appendix

Membership of Committees

11 Background Papers

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Standing Orders for the Regulation of Proceedings and Business

Membership of Committees (June 2025)

	Political Group			
Committee	Liberal Democrat	Labour	Reform	
Strategy and Resources 7 Members	Seats - 4 1. 2. 3. 4.	Seats - 2 1. 2.	Seats - 1 1.	
Standards, Audit and Performance 8 Members	Seats - 5 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	Seats - 2 1. 2.	Seats - 1 1.	
Brigade Managers' Employment Panel 7 Members	Seats - 4 1. 2. 3. 4.	Seats - 2 1. 2.	Seats – 1 1.	
Pensions Panel 3 Members	Seats – 2 1. 2.	Seat - 1 1.	Seats – 0	
Personnel Panel 3 Members	Seats - 2 1. 2. Substitute - 2 1. 2.	Seats - 1 1. Substitute - 1.	Seats - 0 Substitute - 0	

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	Political Group			
Committee	Liberal Democrat	Labour	Reform	
Appeals Panel	Seats – 2	Seats - 1	Seats - 0	
3 Members	1.	1.		
	2.		Substitute - 0	
		Substitute -		
	Substitute – 2	1.		
	1.			
	2.			
Strategic Advisory Group	Seats - 5	Seats – 2	Seats - 1	
8 Members	1.	1.	1.	
	2.	2.		
	3.			
	4.			
	5.			

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