

Report to	North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority
Date	17 July 2023
Lead Officer	Not applicable
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Subject	Chair's Report



PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1 This report provides Members with information on the meetings and events attended by the Chair and Deputy Chair of the North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority (the Authority) in their official capacities between April 2023 and June 2023.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2 The Chair and/or Deputy Chair have attended several meetings and events, both internally and externally on behalf of the Authority.

RECOMMENDATION

- 3 It is recommended that Members:
 - i) note the information provided.

OBSERVATIONS FROM EXECUTIVE PANEL/AUDIT COMMITTEE

- 4 This report has not previously been considered.

INFORMATION

- 5 In addition to the Authority-related meetings, the Chair and Deputy Chair have met with the Chief Fire Officer (CFO) on a regular basis. They also met with Fire Brigade Union (FBU) representatives prior to the Executive Panel meeting held on the 19 June 2023.
- 6 On the 4 April 2023, 2 May 2023, 5 June 2023 and 22 June 2023 the Chair and the Deputy Chair attended meetings of the Emergency Cover Review working group.
- 7 On the 14 April 2023 the Chair and the Deputy Chair attended a meeting of the New Training Centre working group. This was followed up on the 10 May 2023 with visits to the training centres of Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service (FRS) and Greater Manchester FRS.

- 8 On the 14 April 2023 the Chair attended a 'Ceremony of Achievement' for new recruits at Rhyl Fire Station.
- 9 On 24 April 2023 the Chair and the CFO attended a retirement function at Pwllheli Fire Station for Watch Manager Mike Evans who had completed 48 years' service with the North Wales Fire and Rescue Service (the Service).
- 10 On 26 April 2023 the Chair and the CFO attended a hybrid meeting of the Social Partnership Forum chaired by the Deputy Minister.
- 11 On 28 April 2023 the Chair attended the Phoenix 'Ceremony of Achievement' at Llanfairfechan Fire Station and presented certificates to the youngsters who had completed the Phoenix course.
- 12 During the last quarter, the Deputy Chair has attended the 'Ceremony of Achievement' for Phoenix courses held at Ruthin, Flint and Prestatyn Fire Stations. The Deputy Chair also attended a retirement function at Flint Fire Station for Tommy Probert.
- 13 On 27 May 2023, the Chair attended Rhosneigr Fire Station to support the charity car wash event.
- 14 On 16 June 2023 the Chair attended the Phoenix 'Ceremony of Achievement' at Llangefni Fire Station and presented certificates to the youngsters who had completed the Phoenix course.
- 15 During the last quarter the Chair and the CFO have been holding virtual meetings with the North Wales Local Authority Leaders to brief them on the Emergency Cover Review. So far meetings have been held with the leaders of Conwy, Wrexham, Denbighshire and Flintshire authorities.

IMPLICATIONS

Wellbeing Objectives	Not relevant.
Budget	Any costs associated with meetings and events attended by members are reimbursed from the travel and subsistence budget.
Legal	No specific implications arise from approving the recommendation.
Staffing	No specific implications arise from approving the recommendation.
Equalities/Human Rights/ Welsh Language	No specific implications arise from approving the recommendation.
Risks	No specific risks arise from approving the recommendation.