

# HUMBERSIDE FIRE AUTHORITY

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

FRIDAY, 10 JUNE 2022

### PRESENT:

#### Members

##### **Representing East Riding of Yorkshire Council:**

Councillors Davison, Dennis, Jefferson, Smith and West

##### **Representing Hull City Council:**

Councillors Chambers, Dad, McMurray and Nicola

##### **Representing North East Lincolnshire Council:**

Councillors Lindley, Patrick and Shepherd

##### **Representing North Lincolnshire Council:**

Councillors Briggs (*Chairperson*), Grant, Sherwood and Waltham MBE

##### **Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside**

Jonathan Evison - Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside Police

#### Officers of Humberside Fire & Rescue Service

Chris Blacksell - Chief Fire Officer & Chief Executive, Niall McKiniry - Assistant Chief Fire Officer/Executive Director of Service Delivery, Christine Cooper - Executive Director of People and Development, Kevin Wilson - Executive Director of Finance/Section 151 Officer, Steve Duffield - Temporary Director of Prevention and Protection, Matthew Sutcliffe - Temporary Director of Service Improvement, Steve Topham - Director of Emergency Response, Lisa Nicholson - Monitoring Officer/Secretary and Samm Campbell - Committee Manager

#### Also in attendance:

##### **Independent Co-opted Members of the Governance, Audit and Scrutiny Committee**

Kathryn Lavery was in attendance as an observer.

The meeting was held at Service Headquarters, Hessle.

*The Monitoring Officer/Secretary took the chair for Minute 55/22.*

**55/22 ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON - Resolved** - That Councillor Briggs be elected Chairperson of the Humberside Fire Authority for the 2022/23 municipal year.

*Councillor Briggs took over the Chair.*

**56/22 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRPERSON - Resolved** - That Councillor Green be elected Vice Chairperson of the Humberside Fire Authority for the 2022/23 municipal year.

**57/22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** - Apologies for absence were submitted from Jonathan Evison (Police and Crime Commissioner) and Councillors Abraham, Belcher, Fox, Green and Swinburn.

**58/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** - No declarations were made.

**59/22 MINUTES - Resolved** - That the minutes of the meeting of the Authority held on 29 April 2022 be received as a correct record.

**60/22 MINUTES OF THE APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Resolved** - That the minutes of the Appointments Committee meetings held on 27 April and 23 May 2022 be approved and Phil Shillito be appointed to the post of Chief Fire Officer.

**61/22 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS** - None.

**63/22 COMMUNICATIONS** - The Chairman provided verbal updates on the following items:

- (i) **Pay Award** - The National Joint Council had indicated its intention to pursue a pay increase for Green Book Staff of £2,000 or a percentage linked to the rate of inflation (whichever was highest on an individual basis) for the 2022/23 financial year.
- (ii) **Healthy Workplace Award** - The Service had achieved the Bronze Healthy Workplace Award from North Lincolnshire Council.
- (iii) **British Fire Fighter Challenge** - The Service was due to host the British Fire Fighter Challenge in Hull, with sponsors including Howdens Joinery and The University of Hull.

**64/22 COMPOSITION OF THE FIRE AUTHORITY** - The Monitoring Officer/Secretary submitted a report on appointments to the Humberside Fire Authority made by the Constituent Unitary Authorities for the period 2022/23 as follows:

**1. East Riding of Yorkshire Council (8)**

Councillor Julie Abraham	(Conservative)
Councillor Phil Davison	(Liberal Democrat)
Councillor John Dennis	(Conservative)
Councillor Caroline Fox	(Conservative)
Councillor Helen Green	(Conservative)
Councillor Barbara Jefferson	(Independent)
Councillor Patricia Smith	(Conservative)
Councillor Kay West	(Conservative)

**2. Hull City Council (6)**

Councillor Sharon Belcher	(Labour)
Councillor Linda Chambers	(Liberal Democrat)
Councillor Jackie Dad	(Liberal Democrat)
Councillor Shane McMurray	(Labour)
Councillor Tracey Neal	(Liberal Democrat)
Councillor Rosie Nicola	(Labour)

**3. North East Lincolnshire Council (4)**

Councillor Ian Lindley	(Conservative)
Councillor Matt Patrick	(Labour)
Councillor Ron Shepherd	(Conservative)
Councillor Stewart Swinburn	(Conservative)

**4. North Lincolnshire Council (4)**

Councillor John Briggs	(Conservative)
Councillor Mick Grant	(Labour)
Councillor Nigel Sherwood	(Conservative)
Councillor Rob Waltham MBE	(Conservative)

## 5. Police and Crime Commissioner (1)

Jonathan Evison

**Resolved** - That the membership of the Authority for the period 2022/23 be received.

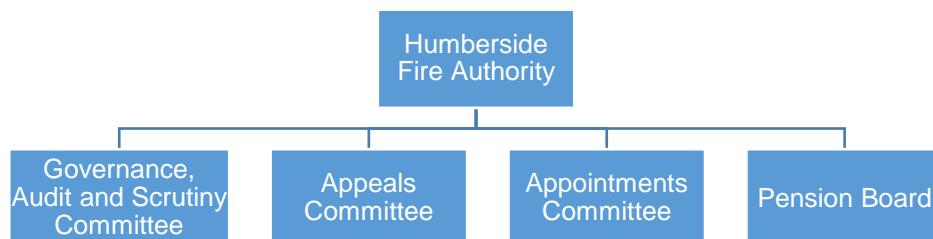
**65/22 APPOINTMENT OF GROUP SECRETARIES** - The Monitoring Officer/Secretary submitted a report that set out that each political group represented on the Fire Authority should appoint a Group Secretary and notify the Monitoring Officer/Secretary of such appointment at the Annual General Meeting of the Fire Authority or as soon as possible thereafter.

**Resolved** - That the Group Secretaries as detailed below be appointed for 2022/23:

Political Group	Group Secretary
Conservative	Councillor Smith
Independent	Councillor Jefferson
Labour	Councillor Nicola
Liberal Democrats	Councillor Dad

**66/22 COMMITTEE STRUCTURE & COMPOSITION AND APPOINTMENT OF PANEL/GROUP MEMBERS AND MEMBER CHAMPIONS** - The Monitoring Officer/Secretary submitted a report that proposed the committee structure and composition of the Authority for 2022/23 and the appointment of Panel/Group Members and Member Champions for 2022/23.

**Resolved** - (a) That the Authority approves the Committee structure as set follows;



(b) that the size and allocation of seats of the committees be approved as follows;

Governance, Audit & Scrutiny Committee	
Number of independent members	5
Total	5

Appointments Committee	
Political Group	Number of Seats
Conservative	4
Labour	2
Liberal Democrats	2
Total	8

Appeals Committee	
Political Group	Number of Seats
Conservative	2
Labour	1
Liberal Democrats	1
Total	4

Pension Board	
Employer Representative	Number of Seats
Elected Member	1
HFRS Officer	1
Scheme Member Representative	
Representative Bodies Member	1
HFRS FPS Member	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>

(c) that the Group Secretaries, in conference, with the Executive Director Service Support/Section 151 Officer inform the Monitoring Officer/Secretary of the appointment of Members to each committee;

(d) that the Constitution be amended to remove the two-term limit for the Elected Member representative on the Pension Board in order that the Authority might re-appoint Councillor Shepherd as the Elected Member to serve on the Pension Board for 2022/23;

(e) that the following appointments to Groups/Panels for 2022/23 be approved:

Group/Panel	Member Representative
Equality and Inclusion Group	Councillor Smith
Fire Death and Injury Panel <i>(one representative from each Authority area)</i>	Councillor Green (East Riding of Yorkshire Council) Councillor Neal (Hull City Council) Councillor Swinburn (North East Lincolnshire Council) Councillor Sherwood (North Lincolnshire Council)

(f) that the Group Secretaries in conjunction with the Executive Director Service Support/Section 151 Officer inform the Monitoring Officer/Secretary of the appointment of Members to each Member Champion role with former roles being resumed by returning Members.

**67/22 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER REPRESENTATIVES ON CERTAIN BODIES - Resolved** - That the following appointments for 2022/23 be approved:

Body	Representative(s)
The Local Government Association Fire Commission	Councillor Briggs [Substitute: Councillor Green]
Yorkshire and Humber (Local Authorities) Employers' Association - Employers' Committee	Councillor Briggs [Substitute: Councillor Green]

**68/22 APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATED SPOKESPERSON FOR EACH CONSTITUENT AUTHORITY - Resolved** - That the following nominated spokespersons for each Constituent Authority for 2022/23 be approved:

Constituent Authority	Nominated Spokesperson
East Riding of Yorkshire Council	Councillor Green
Hull City Council	Councillor Dad
North East Lincolnshire Council	Councillor Swinburn
North Lincolnshire Council	Councillor Sherwood

**69/22 CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2022/23 - Resolved** - That the calendar of meetings for 2022/23, as set out in the report, be approved.

**70/22 HUMBERSIDE FIRE AUTHORITY WORKSTREAMS 2022/23 - Resolved** - That the 2022/23 workstreams of the Authority, as set out in the report, be received.