# **Minute of Meeting**



# **Police and Fire and Rescue Board**

Date	Time	Venue
27 August 2018	11.00am	Council Chambers, Midlothian
		House, Buccleuch Street,
		Dalkeith

# **Present:**

Councillor Curran (Chair)	Councillor Smaill
Councillor McCall	
Councillor Muirhead	

# In attendance:

Midlothian Council	
Kevin Anderson, Head of Customer and Housing Services	Margaret Brewer, Service Manager, Community Justice
Gordon Aitken	Democratic Services Officer
Police Scotland	
Chief Superintendent Lesley Clark Scottish Fire and Rescue Service	Chief Inspector Kenny Simpson
Stephen Gourlay, Area Manager	David Ward, Station Manager

# 1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Munro and Parry.

#### 2. Order of Business

The Clerk advised that the Chair had agreed that Item No 5.3 "Let's Rock Scotland Event – Feedback" be taken as the first item of business following consideration of the Previous Minute.

## 3. Declarations of interest

No declarations of interest were intimated.

# 4. Minute of Previous Meeting

The Minute of Meeting of 4 June 2018 was submitted and approved as a correct record.

# 5. Public Reports

Agenda No.	Report Title	Submitted by
5.3	Let's Rock Scotland Event – Feedback	Head of Commercial Operations

#### Outline of report and summary of discussion

The report dated 12 July 2018 was presented by the Head of Commercial Operations advising the Board that on the weekend of Saturday 23 and Sunday 24 June 2018 the 'Lets Rock Scotland' brand held two music events in Dalkeith Country Park. The attendance of approximately 20,000 and 10,000 respectively constituted two of the biggest attended events held in Midlothian. Up to 3,000 campers were provided for on the night of Saturday 23 June 2018.

The report also provided initial feedback from the Safety Advisory Group Members following the two events and advised that Lets Rock Scotland had been invited to a de-brief meeting of that Group on Friday 28 September 2018. Ricky Moffat was heard in amplification of the report during which he answered questions from elected Members.

#### Decision

The Board noted the feedback in relation to the Lets Rock Scotland events held on the weekend of 23/24 June 2018

#### 5.1 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

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#### Outline of report and summary of discussion

Stephen Gourlay introduced the report and advised that Ash Denham MSP had recently been appointed as Minister for Community Safety, with responsibility for Police and Fire.

David Ward then took Members through a summary of the Quarter 1 report noting the performances within the 5 objectives making up the main focus for local service delivery in the Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Midlothian 2014-2017, namely, (1) Reduction of Accidental Dwelling Fires; (2) Reduction in Fire Casualties and Fatalities; (3) Reduction of Deliberate Fire Setting; (4) Reduction in Road Traffic Collisions; (5) Reduction of Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals together with the Fire Safety Enforcement Audits and Home Fire Safety Visits delivered in Midlothian.

Thereafter both he and Stephen Gourlay provided more detailed information in relation to questions raised by Members on these specific areas of concern.

#### Decision

The Board noted the content of the Report.

### 5.2 POLICE SCOTLAND

Agenda No.	Report Title	Submitted by:
5.2.1	Police Scotland Scrutiny Report – 1 April – 30 June 2018	Police Scotland

#### Outline of report and summary of discussion

Chief Superintendent Clark firstly advised the Board of the recent appointment of lain Livingstone as Chief Constable of Police Scotland and the likelihood of further personnel changes as a result of this.

Chief Inspector Simpson, spoke to the terms of the report during which he highlighted some of the key points contained therein. He continued through the report providing a summary of each section making reference to the performance indicators listed.

Board Members then went through a few of the matters listed within the report, requesting further information/clarification on them which was provided by Chief Inspector Simpson.

#### Decision

The Board noted the terms of the Report.

Agenda No.	Report Title	Submitted by
5.2.2	Community Policing Team Midlothian – Activity summary April – June 2018	Police Scotland
Outline of report and summary of discussion		
Chief Inspector Simpson spoke to the terms of the Report which summarised the activities of the Community Policing Team during the quarter April to June 2018.		
Thereafter, he responded to questions raised by Members of the Board on specific issues raised by them.		
Decision		
The Board noted the terms of the Report.		

The meeting terminated at 12.20pm.