



Record of decision

THE FOLLOWING DECISIONS WERE TAKEN ON MONDAY, 16 APRIL 2018 BY THE CABINET AT AN EXTRA-ORDINARY MEETING STARTING AT 5.10PM

THE CALL IN PERIOD FOR THESE DECISIONS EXPIRES AT 5.10 PM ON WEDNESDAY, 25 APRIL 2018

Members of the Cabinet who were present

Cllrs Dave Stewart (Chairman), Barry Abraham, Paul Brading, John Hobart, Clare Mosdell, Michael Murwill, Gary Peace, Ian Ward and Wayne Whittle

Apologies

Cllr Stuart Hutchinson

Members also present (non-voting)

Cllrs Debbie Andre, Michael Beston, Geoff Brodie, Paul Fuller, Steve Hastings and Tig Outlaw

Confirmed as a true record of decisions taken

Leader of the Council

Agenda item	<u>Minutes of the Last Meeting</u>
Decision reference	80 (17/18)
Decision Taken	The minutes to the previous meeting held on <u>8 March 2018</u> were agreed.

Agenda item	<u>Declarations of Interest</u>
Decision reference	81 (17/18)
	There were no declarations made.

Agenda item	<u>Isle of Wight Fire and Rescue Service Review</u>
Decision reference	82 (17/18)
Summary of Discussion	<p>The Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Public Protection presented a report which advised on the outcomes of the service review of the Isle of Wight Fire and Rescue Service (IWFRS), as agreed by Cabinet in July 2017.</p> <p>The report had been deferred from the meeting of Cabinet on 8 March 2018 following concerns over the submission of a late appendix and also to allow elected members, stakeholders and the wider public more time to consider the consequences of the proposals.</p> <p>The revised report was then considered by the Scrutiny Committee at its meeting held on 12 April 2018 where Scrutiny members had recommended for the proposals within the paper to be rejected due to the threat to public safety. All recommendations from the Scrutiny Committee were circulated at the meeting of Cabinet, and were duly noted. (LINK HERE)</p> <p>Whilst members were pleased to see that the service policy was to plan to have 5 firefighters, immediately available, on all fire engines across the Island, concerns were raised that the report needed to provide more detailed information to inform the decisions being requested of the Cabinet and more evidence of the outcomes of engagement with fire service officers.</p> <p>The Leader advised that Cabinet Members had visited fire fighters at the various stations around the Island, attended focus groups and listened to concerns raised. The Leader also thanked all those members of the fire service who had come forward to speak with members of the administration</p> <p>Members therefore agreed to reject the report in its current form and five new recommendations were proposed, seconded and agreed.</p>
Issues raised by other members	No issues were raised by non-cabinet members.
Decision taken	<p>THAT the report of the Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Public Protection, the Isle of Wight Fire and Rescue Service Review, be rejected and the following be agreed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. That the council undertakes a proactive campaign to recruit more retained firefighters II. That the Fire Brigade Union (FBU) be invited to join the councils Joint Consultative Management (JCM) committee III. That no posts are permanently deleted from the establishment until such time as the Cabinet has considered an impact report from the Cabinet member.

	<p>IV. Maintain all ten fire stations and align the currently employed, permanent, whole time firefighter resources to the times of greatest demand, based on a three locality model; in order to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the service and levels of community safety. The alignment of resources shall not take place earlier than 1 January 2019.</p> <p>V. That the Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Public Protection ensure that immediate action is taken to maintain performance standards across the service and in any event present an impact report to Cabinet in October 2018, setting out exactly how the whole time resources are to be aligned to meet the times of greatest demand for the service.</p>
Reason for the decision	To demonstrate that all members and stakeholders concerns have been taken into account and enable a report to be brought back to Cabinet on 11 October 2018 addressing all issues raised.
Declarations of Interests	None declared.