

Report to	North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority
Date	28 April 2025
Lead Officer	Not applicable
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Subject	Chair's Report



PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1 This quarterly report provides Members with information on the meetings and events attended by the Chair and Deputy Chair of North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority (the Authority) in their official capacities between January and March 2025.

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.
- 6 On the 17 January the Chair and the CFO attended an on-line meeting with North Wales Local Authority Leaders to brief them on budget proposals and other relevant issues.
- 7 On the 3 February the Chair and the CFO attended in person a meeting of the Social Partnership which was held at the Welsh Government Offices in Cardiff.

- 8 On the 10 February, together with other members of the Authority, the Chair and Deputy Chair attended a presentation by CREST on the Independent Culture Review.
- 9 On the 18 February, together with other members of the Authority, the Chair attended the Tanio "Equality, Diversity and Inclusion" conference at Kinnel Manor.
- 10 On the 23 February the Chair attended a meeting of the FBU Committee at Llandudno Fire Station.
- 11 On the 26 February the Chair attended the Tanio Welsh Language event at Rhyl Fire Station.
- 12 On the 26 February the Chair and Councillor Mark Young met with senior FBU representatives at Rhyl Fire Station.
- 13 On the 7 March the Deputy Chair attended a Phoenix Awards ceremony for the pupils of Ysgol Friars at Llanfairfechan Fire Station.
- 14 On the 12 March the Chair attended the Local Government Association (LGA) Fire and Rescue Conference in Gateshead. The CFO and ACFO Ant Jones were also in attendance.
- 15 On the 17 March the Chair and the CFO attended an online meeting with the Cabinet Secretary Jayne Bryant. The Chairs and CFO's from the other Welsh FRS's were also in attendance.
- 16 On the 27 March the Chair and Councillor Sharon Doleman were observers at a workshop attended by senior representatives of North Wales Fire and Rescue Service (the Service) to begin the formulation of an Improvement Plan in response to the findings of the Independent Culture Review.
- 17 On the 28 March the Deputy Chair attended a Phoenix Awards ceremony for the pupils of Ysgol Ardudwy at Harlech Fire Station.

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.