

# MINUTES

**Meeting: Fire, Resilience and Emergency  
Planning Committee**  
**Date: Thursday 28 March 2019**  
**Time: 2.00 pm**  
**Place: Chamber, City Hall, The Queen's  
Walk, London, SE1 2AA**

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<http://www.london.gov.uk/mayor-assembly/london-assembly/fire-resilience-emergency-planning-committee>

**Present:**

Susan Hall AM (Chairman)  
Andrew Dismore AM (Deputy Chair)  
Gareth Bacon AM  
Leonie Cooper AM  
David Kurten AM

**1 Apologies for Absence and Chairman's Announcements (Item 1)**

1.1 Apologies for absence were received from Florence Eshalomi AM.

**2 Declarations of Interests (Item 2)**

2.1 **Resolved:**

**That the list of offices held by Assembly Members, as set out in the table at Agenda Item 2, be noted as disclosable pecuniary interests.**

### **3 Minutes (Item 3)**

#### **3.1 Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the Fire, Resilience and Emergency Planning Committee meeting held on 31 January 2019 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.**

### **4 Summary List of Actions (Item 4)**

4.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

#### **4.2 Resolved:**

**That the completed and outstanding actions arising from previous meetings of the Committee be noted.**

### **5 Emergency Services Collaboration (Item 5)**

5.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat as background to putting questions to the following invited guests on emergency services collaboration:

- Kevin Canavan, Head of Collaboration, London Ambulance Service;
- Deputy Assistant Commissioner Matthew Twist, Transformation Directorate, Metropolitan Police Service;
- David Shek, Regional Secretary – London, Fire Brigades Union;
- Susan Ellison-Bunce, Assistant Director Strategy and Risk, London Fire Brigade (LFB);
- Richard Mills, Assistant Commissioner – Operational Policy and Assurance, LFB;
- Cllr John Robinson, Chairman of Durham and Darlington Fire Authority and Emergency Services Collaboration Working Group; and
- Sarah Nattrass, Assistant Chief Fire Officer, Durham and Darlington Fire Authority.

5.2 The Chairman congratulated Richard Mills on his recent appointment to Deputy Commissioner and Director for Safety and Assurance, LFB.

5.3 A transcript of the discussion is attached at **Appendix 1**.

5.4 During the course of the discussion the Committee requested that the Assistant Commissioner, Operational Policy and Assurance, LFB, provide further information on details of operational learning that has been implemented following evidence that different control rooms responded to calls from the Grenfell Tower Fire, rather than calls being directed straight to the LFB Control Room.

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5.5 At the end of the discussion the Chairman thanked the guests for their attendance and helpful contributions.

5.6 **Resolved:**

- (a) That the report and answers given at the meeting be noted; and**
- (b) That authority be delegated to the Chairman, in consultation with party Group Lead Members, to agree any output from the discussion.**

## **6 Fire, Resilience and Emergency Planning Committee Work Programme (Item 6)**

6.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

6.2 **Resolved:**

- (a) That the summary of work completed during the 2018/19 Assembly year, be noted;**
- (b) That the provisional schedule of meetings for the 2019/20 Assembly year, which is subject to agreement at the Annual Meeting of the London Assembly on 2 May 2019, be noted; and**
- (c) That in relation to urgent matters only, a general delegation of authority in respect of the Committee's powers and functions (apart from those defined as 'special scrutiny functions' as outlined in the GLA Act 1999, and GLA Standing Order 10.1(G)) to the Chairman of the Committee, in consultation with the party Group Lead Members of the Committee, from the close of this meeting until the next meeting of the Committee, provisionally on 23 May 2019, subject to agreement at the Annual Meeting of the London Assembly on 2 May 2019, be agreed.**

## **7 Date of Next Meeting (Item 7)**

7.1 The next meeting of the Committee was scheduled for 23 May 2019 at 2.00pm in the Chamber, City Hall, subject to confirmation of the London Assembly's calendar of meetings at the Annual meeting of the London Assembly on 2 May 2019.

**8 Any Other Business the Chairman Considers Urgent (Item 8)**

8.1 There was no business the Chairman considered urgent.

**9 Close of Meeting**

9.1 The meeting ended at 3.58pm.

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Chairman

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