

Subject: Reserves Strategy and Medium Term Financial Plan for the London Fire Commissioner

Report to: Fire, Resilience and Emergency Planning Committee

Report of: Executive Director of the Secretariat

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This report will be considered in public

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report serves as background information to the Fire, Resilience and Emergency Planning Committee for consideration of the Reserves Strategy and Medium Term Financial Plan for the London Fire Commissioner, which the Committee is required to review and make a report or recommendations to the Mayor.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 **That the Committee reviews the London Fire Commissioner's Reserves Strategy and Medium Term Financial Plan.**
- 2.2 **That the Committee make a report or recommendation(s) to the Mayor on the Reserves Strategy and Medium Term Financial Plan, in accordance with Section 327I of the Policing and Crime Act 2017.**

3. Background

- 3.1 The London Fire Commissioner is required to publish a Reserves Strategy and Medium Term Financial Plan as part of the Fire and Rescue National Framework. In accordance with Section 327G of the Policing and Crime Act 2017, the Commissioner must, before publishing the document, which is in accordance with the Fire and Rescue National Framework, send a copy of the documents or revision in draft, to the Mayor and Assembly. A copy of the letter sent to the Chair on 10 May 2019 can be found at **Appendix 1**, a copy of the Reserves Strategy and be found at **Appendix 2**, and a copy of the Medium Term Financial Plan can be found at **Appendix 3**.
- 3.2 In accordance with Section 327I of the Policing and Act 2017, under the functions to be discharged by the fire and emergency committee (the Fire, Resilience and Emergency Planning Committee), the Assembly must review any draft document or revision given to the Assembly by the London Fire Commissioner under section 327G and make a report or recommendations on the draft document or

revision to the Mayor. This role cannot be delegated as it forms part of the “special scrutiny functions” as noted in the GLA Standing Orders 10.1G.

4. Issues for Consideration

- 4.1 That the Committee receives and considers the Reserves Strategy and Medium Term Financial Plan for the London Fire Commissioner.
- 4.2 The Committee must make a report or recommendation(s) on the Reserves Strategy and Medium Term Financial Plan to the Mayor. As the role of the Fire, Resilience and Emergency Planning Committee cannot be delegated, if the Committee are minded to make a report to the Mayor this will need to be brought back to the next meeting. If the Committee are minded to make a recommendation(s) to the Mayor, which can include noting the reports, this will be sent in the form of a letter from the Chair and will need to be agreed at the meeting.

5. Legal Implications

- 5.1 The Committee has the power to do what is recommended in this report.

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1 There are no financial implications to the Greater London Authority arising from this report.

List of appendices to this report:

Appendix 1 – Letter from the London Fire Commissioner to the Chair – 10 May 2019
Appendix 2 – Reserves Strategy
Appendix 3 – Medium Term Financial Plan

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985
List of Background Papers: None
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