

APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND GROUPS FOR 2017-18

There are 23 elected Members of Cheshire Fire Authority drawn from the four unitary authorities of Cheshire East (8), Cheshire West and Chester (7), Halton (3) and Warrington (5).

FIRE AUTHORITY – 23 Members

Appointed as 8 Con: 13 Lab: 1 Lib Dem: 1 Ind
(Now 8 Con: 13 Lab: 2 Dem)

Chair: Cllr B Rudd
Deputy Chair: Cllr S Nelson (and Lead Member, Halton)
Lead Members: Cheshire East – Cllr G Merry
Cheshire West and Chester – Cllr T Sherlock
Warrington – Cllr K Mundry

Group Spokesperson(s): Conservative – Cllr G Merry
Democratic – Cllr M Biggin
Labour – Cllr B Rudd

Representing Cheshire East Council (5 Con, 2 Lab, 1 Ind)

Conservative	Labour	Independent
Cllr D Marren	Cllr D Bailey	Cllr D Mahon
Cllr G Merry	Cllr D Flude	
Cllr J Saunders		
Cllr M Simon		
Cllr J Weatherill		

Representing Cheshire West and Chester Council (3 Con, 4 Lab)

Conservative	Labour
Cllr N Jones	Cllr D Beckett
Cllr E Johnson	Cllr J Mercer
Cllr S Parker	Cllr B Rudd
	Cllr T Sherlock

Representing Halton Borough Council (3 Lab)

Labour

Cllr P Harris
Cllr S Nelson
Cllr R Polhill

Representing Warrington Borough Council (4 Lab, 1 Lib Dem)

Labour	Liberal Democrat
Cllr A Dirir	Cllr M Biggin
Cllr K Mundry	
Cllr M Tarr	
Cllr S Wright	

BODIES COVERED BY POLITICAL PROPORTIONALITY RULES

PERFORMANCE AND OVERVIEW COMMITTEE – 7 Members and 1 independent member

Chair: Cllr P Harris

Deputy Chair: Cllr T Sherlock

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	DEMOCRATIC	independent member
Cllr J Saunders	Cllr D Bailey	Cllr M Biggin	A Ruddy
Cllr M Simon	Cllr A Dirir		
	Cllr P Harris		
	Cllr T Sherlock		

Substitute Members for Performance and Overview Committee

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	DEMOCRATIC
Cllr N Jones	Cllr R Polhill	Cllr D Mahon

GOVERNANCE AND CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE – 6 Members and 2 independent members

Chair: (Labour Member*) Cllr S Wright

Deputy Chair: Cllr R Polhill

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	DEMOCRATIC	independent members
Cllr E Johnson	Cllr D Beckett	Cllr M Biggin	A Ruddy
Cllr D Marren	Cllr R Polhill		L Thomson
	Cllr S Wright		

Substitute Members for Governance and Constitution Committee

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	DEMOCRATIC
Cllr N Jones	Cllr J Mercer	Cllr D Mahon

BRIGADE MANAGER'S PAY AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE – 7 Members

It is the usual convention that the Committee includes the Fire Authority Chair, Deputy Chair, and Group spokesperson(s).

Chair: Cllr B Rudd

Deputy Chair: Cllr S Nelson

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Cllr E Johnson	Cllr D Flude
Cllr G Merry	Cllr S Nelson
Cllr S Parker	Cllr B Rudd
	Cllr M Tarr

Substitute Members for Brigade Manager's Pay & Performance Committee

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Cllr D Marren	Cllr D Bailey

ESTATES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE – 7 Members

Chair: Cllr J Mercer

Deputy Chair: Cllr K Mundry

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	DEMOCRATIC	independent member
Cllr E Johnson	Cllr J Mercer	Cllr D Mahon	A Ruddy or L Thomson
Cllr G Merry	Cllr S Nelson		
	Cllr K Mundry		
	Cllr T Sherlock		

Substitute Members for new Decision-making Body

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	DEMOCRATIC
Cllr S Parker	Cllr D Flude	Cllr M Biggin

Note: Appointments to this body should include the four Lead Members and the Procurement and Environment Member Champions.

JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE – 4 Members

Chair: Labour Member* Cllr R Polhill Deputy Chair: Cllr P Harris

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Cllr S Parker	Cllr P Harris
Cllr M Simon	Cllr R Polhill

Substitute Members for Joint Consultative Committee

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Cllr D Marren	Cllr D Bailey

* A Labour Chair is indicated on committees with an even number of seats to ensure that the Labour Group is able to have the casting vote. The alternative would be to increase seat numbers.

BODIES NOT COVERED BY POLITICAL PROPORTIONALITY RULES

MEMBER TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT GROUP – 4 Members and 1 Independent Member

Chair: Cllr D Flude

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	independent members
Cllr S Parker	Cllr D Flude	L Thomson
Cllr M Simon	Cllr M Tarr	

RISK MANAGEMENT BOARD – 2 Members

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Cllr J Weatherill	Cllr S Nelson

PHOENIX BOXING CLUB BOARD – 2 Members (from Warrington Members)

Members	Substitute Members
Cllr K Mundry	Cllr A Dirir
Cllr S Wright	Cllr M Tarr

HEALTHY HEART RUNCORN TRAINING GYM BOARD – 1 Member (from Halton Members)

Member
Cllr S Nelson

PENSION BOARD – 1 Member

Member
Member Champion for Pensions

BODIES WHERE NO APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUIRED

CLOSURE OF ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

The Performance and Overview Committee sits as the Closure of Accounts Committee and meets once a year to close the Authority's accounts.

STAFFING COMMITTEE – 4 Members

The Staffing Committee consists of four Members drawn from the Brigade Managers Pay and Performance Committee and, wherever possible the committee must be convened in political proportion.

BUSINESS CONTINUITY COMMITTEE

The membership of the Business Continuity Committee comprises the Chair, Deputy Chair Group Spokesperson(s) and Lead Member(s). The Committee meets on an ad-hoc basis, as required.

UNITARY PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT GROUPS

The Unitary Performance Area Groups are the performance delivery groups in each of the Unitary Performance Areas and are chaired by the local Unitary Performance Manager, and attended by the local Members for that area.

OUTSIDE BODIES – INFORMATION

REGIONAL APPOINTMENTS – NORTH WEST

(A) NORTH WEST FIRE FORUM

This forum oversees collaborative work being undertaken by the fire and rescue services in the North West.

NB: 3 representatives only - Chair, Deputy Chair and Leader of Main Opposition

Members
Chair of Fire Authority – Cllr B Rudd
Deputy Chair of the Fire Authority – Cllr S Nelson
Leader of Main Opposition - Cllr G Merry

(B) NW FIRE CONTROL LTD – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This Company is jointly owned by the Authority and Cumbria County Council, Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Authority and Lancashire Combined Fire Authority. It is responsible for the provision of call handling and mobilising services to the Authorities. It has a Board of Directors and each Authority is able to appoint two of its Members to the Board.

NB: 2 representatives only - Chair + 1

Members
Chair of the Fire Authority – Cllr B Rudd
Cllr S Nelson

REGIONAL APPOINTMENTS – OTHER

(C) LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (LGA) - FIRE COMMISSION

The Fire Commission provides a focus for the needs and concerns of fire authorities. All Fire and Rescue Services with full or corporate membership have the right to nominate a representative to this forum. At Cheshire this is usually the Chair of the Authority. Additional Members from Fire Authorities are appointed as necessary by the political groups to ensure political balance. The Commission meets quarterly and is an opportunity for Members to network and share information and ideas. The Commission is subject to the Constitution and Standing Orders of the Local Government Association.

Amendments made 29th June – shown in red

Member

Chair of Fire Authority – Cllr B Rudd

(D) SAFER CHESHIRE EAST PARTNERSHIP

Safer Cheshire East Partnership is a statutory requirement under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 and Cheshire Fire Authority is a statutory partner. The Fire Authority is represented by a Senior Officer and a (Cheshire East) Fire Authority Member is also appointed by the Fire Authority. The partnership meets on a 6-monthly basis and its key priorities include crime prevention, anti-social behaviour, preventing offending, road safety and domestic abuse.

NOTE: There is currently a large scale sub-regional review taking place on Community Safety Partnerships and Cheshire East are also reviewing the arrangements for the Safer Cheshire East Partnership.

Member

Cllr M Simon

(E) SUB-REGIONAL PUBLIC LEADERSHIP BOARD

The Board provides strategic direction and focus on sub-regional matters for any sub-regional commissions, working groups, sub-committees, project steering groups or task and finish groups established to develop and implement sub-regional strategy. The Board comprises of elected Leaders of Cheshire East Council, Cheshire West and Chester Council and Warrington Borough Council, the Chairs of the Cheshire Police Authority and Cheshire Fire Authority, the Chair of Cheshire and Warrington Local Enterprise Partnership and the Chair of the Cheshire, Warrington & Wirral PCT Cluster. In addition the Leader of Halton Borough Council has membership of the Board in an Associate Capacity.

Member

Chair of the Fire Authority – Cllr B Rudd

MEMBER CHAMPION ROLES

KEY MEMBER REPRESENTATION ON OTHER GROUPS – Non political – aligned to skills and interests

Equality and Diversity Sits on Equality Task Group (Note : 2 appointments were made to this position in 2016/17)	Cllr A Dirir Cllr J Mercer
Health and Safety Sits on Health and Safety Committee	Cllr D Flude
Information and ICT	Cllr R Polhill
Environment	Cllr T Sherlock
Procurement	Cllr J Mercer
Finance (Note : 2 appointments were made to this position in 2016/17)	Cllr S Nelson Cllr G Merry
Older People	Cllr S Parker
Young People	Cllr D Bailey
Performance Management	Cllr M Tarr
Commercial/Business Risk Reduction	Cllr S Parker
Industrial Relations (JCC Chair)	Cllr R Polhill
Road Safety	Cllr M Simon
Pensions (Pension Board Chair)	Cllr D Marren
Sprinklers	Cllr D Bailey

NOTE: A review of the effectiveness of the current Member Champion roles will be undertaken by the Member Training and Development group and will commence in September 2017.