Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted.

4 There was heard an update by Station Commander Douglas Millar, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, advising the Partnership of the current issues, incidents and work being carried out within the ward, advising

(1) that during the third quarter of 2022/23 a total of 1,167 incidents in the south sector had been responded to;

(2) of the 120 deliberate fires which had decreased by 87 for the same period in 2021/22, that 66 accidental fires for the first quarter of 2022/23 had seen a decrease of 11 incidents from previous year's figures of 77 and that 57 dwelling fires in quarter 3 of 2022/23 had shown a decrease of 15 from the previous year;

(3) that tragically during the third quarter of 2022/23 there had been 1 fire fatality in the south sector and of the death of fire fighter Barry Martin in Edinburgh; and

(4) of potential strike action and providing an assurance that a response would be provided during that time.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report; and

(b) raised questions in relation to inter linked fire detectors and the installation since the introduction of legislation in February 2022, which Station Commander Douglas Millar responded to.