



## **AGENDA ITEM: 15**

### **NORTH WALES FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY**

**21<sup>st</sup> June 2010**

#### **APPOINTMENT OF AN INDEPENDENT MEMBER TO THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

**Report by Colin Everett, Clerk to the Authority**

##### **Purpose of Report**

- 1 Members are requested:
  - (i) to nominate four Members of the Authority to interview and select a new independent member for the Standards Committee;
  - (ii) agree that the appointment of the lay panel member for the advisory panel should be delegated to the Chair, Chief Fire Officer and the Clerk.

##### **Introduction**

- 2 The Vice-Chair of the Standards Committee, Samindre Soysa, has resigned from the committee due to family ill-health.
- 3 An advertisement was placed in the Daily Post on 17<sup>th</sup> May as well as being on [jobswales.co.uk](http://jobswales.co.uk) and the North Wales Fire and Rescue Service's website with a closing date of 4<sup>th</sup> June. Six applications have been received.
- 4 An advisory panel now needs to be convened consisting of not more than five members, one of whom must be an independent lay panel member. The interview panel will interview and select a new independent member. The Authority will be informed of the interview panel's decision at the October meeting.

- 5 In order to simplify the process given the gaps between full meetings of the Fire Authority, it is proposed below that the appointment of the lay panel member should be delegated to the Chair, Chief Fire Officer and myself.
- 6 The terms of office for the new independent member will be for four years.

### **Recommendations**

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