

**AGENDA ITEM: 13** 

#### NORTH WALES FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

19<sup>th</sup> October 2009

# APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT MEMBERS OF STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Report by Colin Everett, Clerk to the Authority

# **Purpose of Report**

To consider arrangements for filling vacancies on the Standards Committee.

## Introduction

- At the annual meeting in June 2009, Members were informed that terms of office of two independent members came to an end in September 2009 and it was agreed to advertise for two new independent members.
- An advertisement was placed in the Daily Post on 7<sup>th</sup> September as well as being on jobswales.co.uk and the North Wales Fire and Rescue Service's website with a closing date of 28<sup>th</sup> September. Five applications have been received.
- 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 advisory panel then considers the applications and makes a recommendation to the Authority on who should be appointed. In order to simplify the process given the gaps between full meetings of the Fire Authority, I propose below that the appointment of the lay panel member should be delegated to the Chair, Chief Fire Officer and myself.

5 The terms of office for new members will be for four years.

## **Recommendations**

- 6 Members are asked to:
  - (i) nominate four members of the Authority to be appointed to the advisory panel; and
  - (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.