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Cllr Kevin Boram
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Scrutiny Committee

Via Email

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Dear Kevin,

Recommendations from Fire & Rescue Service Scrutiny Committee, 23 November 2021

I am writing to you in your capacity as Chairman of the Fire & Rescue Service Scrutiny Committee for West Sussex County Council to thank you for your letter, dated 9th December, regarding the West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service Statement of Assurance.

As noted, there were recommendations around adding more detail to, and widening the scope of, certain areas of the statement and this will be taken into account as we move forward with future statements and reports.

There were also suggestions for changes to be made to provide more robust background and information in further areas of the statement, such as improving the financial and risk map infographics as well as expanding the narrative around activity undertaken during the pandemic that saw the Fire and Rescue Service maintain frontline activity as well as supporting partners and the community.

I thank the Committee for its contributions and will endeavour to ensure that these recommendations and suggestions are fed into the West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service process for reviewing, preparing and publishing future Statements of Assurance.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Committee for their role in acting as a critical friend in support of the West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'D. Crow'.

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