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9th September 2022

Dear Gill,

Following the publication of your response to the Fire & Rescue Statement for 2021/22, I am pleased to respond to the Panel in accordance with section 6 in accordance with the Police Reform & Social Responsibility Act 2011 Section 12 Paragraph 4(a).

I was very pleased that the panel commended the continuing progress and achievements reflected in the Fire & Rescue Statement for 2021/22. This was also recognised by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary, Fire and Rescue Services (HMICFRS) who commended the service for the improvements it has made in keeping Northamptonshire safe. They also recognised that NFRS has made significant progress since the 2018 inspection in how effectively and efficiently it keeps people safe and secure from fires and other risks and they expect the improvements to continue to resolve the further areas they identified as needing some improvement.

Work is now being undertaken to create a better culture across the service and I am looking for opportunities for further collaboration with Northamptonshire Police as both organisations work to build trust and confidence across the board. I am proud of what we have been able to deliver, and I am determined that the efficiencies and effectiveness that can be able to deliver are hardwired into the culture and values of NFRS.

I would like to thank the Panel for their support and oversight over the last twelve months and I am confident that the new Police, Fire and Crime Plan will underpin my overall aim of making Northamptonshire safer.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Stephen Mold".

Stephen Mold
Northamptonshire Police & Fire Commissioner

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