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Dear Sir / Madam

STRATHCLYDE FIRE BRIGADE – REVIEW CONSULTATION

As you are aware, the Local Government in Scotland Act 2003 puts a duty on Fire Brigades to contribute to Community Planning. At present Strathclyde Fire Brigade's current Command structures do not sit uniformly within the boundaries of the 12 Unitary Authorities thus reducing the Brigade's ability to comply fully with the Act in respect of Community Partnerships.

In order to improve this situation, Strathclyde Fire Brigade's Strategic Planning Team has been charged with conducting a review of the structure of the Brigade. To this end, I wish to consult with a diverse range of organisations and in particular Local Authorities in Strathclyde to ensure we can meet the needs of as many of our partners as possible.

In this respect, I would be very interested in receiving your views and comments.

I am sure you understand that we are working to a demanding timescale with the project and subsequently I would appreciate a response from yourself within 28 days from the date of this letter.

Should you require any further information please contact me at the above number.

Thank you for your assistance.

Yours sincerely

ASSISTANT FIREMASTER ANDREW M SHUTTLEWORTH
DIRECTOR OF STRATEGIC PLANNING