

<b>REPORT REFERENCE NO.</b>	<b>DSFRA/24/40</b>
<b>MEETING</b>	<b>DEVON &amp; SOMERSET FIRE &amp; RESCUE AUTHORITY</b>
<b>DATE OF MEETING</b>	<b>19 DECEMBER 2024</b>
<b>SUBJECT OF REPORT</b>	<b>APPOINTMENT TO OUTSIDE BODY</b>
<b>LEAD OFFICER</b>	<b>Clerk to the Authority (&amp; Monitoring Officer)</b>
<b>RECOMMENDATIONS</b>	<i><b>That the Vice Chair of the Audit &amp; Governance Committee, Councillor Kerley, be appointed as the Authority's representative on the Management Committee of the Devon Assurance Partnership until the Authority's Annual General Meeting in June 2025.</b></i>
<b>EXECUTIVE SUMMARY</b>	<p>The Devon Assurance Partnership (DAP) has also asked the Audit &amp; Governance Committee to nominate a representative to Chair its Managements Committee.</p> <p>It is standard expectation that the Audit Committee Chair and Vice Chair join the DAP Committee when a Partner joins but this matter was overlooked when the Authority moved to the new arrangement in 2023. The DAP rotates the Chair and Vice Chair annually so that each Partner shares the roles.</p> <p>The Fire &amp; Rescue Authority will provide the Vice Chair in 2024-25, that will move to Chair in 2025/26 and then back to committee member in 2026-27. Usually this would be the Chair of the Authority's Audit &amp; Governance Committee but in view of the external commitments of the existing Chair, it has been agreed that the Vice Chair will take on this role.</p> <p>This appointment will be reconsidered at the Authority's Annual General meeting in June 2025 (when the role will be to Chair the DAP Management Committee).</p>
<b>RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</b>	Nil.
<b>EQUALITY RISKS AND BENEFITS ANALYSIS</b>	Not applicable
<b>APPENDICES</b>	None.
<b>BACKGROUND PAPERS</b>	None.

**SAMANTHA SHARMAN**  
**Clerk to the Authority (& Monitoring Officer)**