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Dear Jenny

The Senedd debated the Equality and Social Justice Committee's report "Sound the Alarm: The Governance of Fire and Rescue Services on 9 October 2024. During that debate the Cabinet Secretary for Housing and Local Government indicated her intention to consult on governance reform proposals for Fire and Rescue Services (FRSs) during 2025.

The consultation, covering options for FRS governance and finance reform that can be introduced through secondary legislation and policy change in this Senedd term, was published today and can be found at:

[Reform of fire and rescue authorities in Wales 2025 | GOV.WALES](#)

The consultation follows a period of engagement with key stakeholders, including the members of the Social Partnership Forum for Fire and Rescue Services, which has helped to shape the options within.

The consultation will run until 24 October 2025.

Yours sincerely

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