

#### **Roles within section:**

Chairperson – AC Michelle Hickmott - Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Vice Chair – FF Lauren Williams – London Fire Brigade Secretary – FF Cheryl Rigden – Scotland Fire and Rescue Treasurer – STNO John Chinnery – London Fire Brigade Managers – FF Amy Lewington, FF Lauren Williams

### **Report of section to date:**

Alongside the newly formed UK Section we have had two five a side competitions run, firstly by Gary Phillips of Manchester Fire and Rescue Service in October 2022. The Scottish Fire service then hosted the second tournament (due to winning the first) in October 2023. Both tournaments have been well very represented and were the main idea behind starting up the UK Fire section due to the standard in quality.

The section was formed in June 2023 with a successful 2-day trial process organised by Lauren Williams and Amy Lewington from London Fire Brigade. With over 50 females competing in the trials a squad of 24 were selected to form part of the first ever UK female Fire Football team.

At the end of October, we took the section to County Mayo in Ireland to play against the Irish Fire service. The trip was self-funded, through sponsorship and personal contributions and the UK Fire service won the fixture 6-1.

The girls have been kept up to date and informed via WhatsApp chat group and online zoom calls. An online AGM took place on where persons were voted in, and expectations and rules were explained to the section.

Plans for the short to medium term are as follows:

Committee Meeting March 24

Attend AGM for UK section when date organised

3 training camps throughout the year of 2024 with games attached to each camp. *Fixtures will include playing against UK Army, UK RAF and UK Police team – final dates to be arranged.* 

Attached is a spreadsheet of the expenditure of the first 5's competition run in 2022 by Gary Phillips.

Any other relevant invoices are also attached.

# Expected spend for 2024 - £2800

£150 - Affiliation/Insurance

£500 – Match days x 4 games per year = £2000

(estimate costings - £130 match officials, £100 hospitality, £300 pitch hire)

£200 - Medical/first aid taping

 $\pounds 450$  – 5 a side tournament to be hosted this year by winners of 2023 – Manchester – Gary Phillips

# One of grant - £1500

This would be to purchase kit, equipment – bibs, cones balls etc. To set up the section and to ensure that the girls have the equipment needed for both training sessions/camps and match days.

#### **Bank Details:**

UK Womens Football Section Lloyds 30-99-50 81553268