Dear Committee,

It has been brought to my attention that you have requested Rural brigades to provide submissions regarding the 2 different proposed cancer laws for fire-fighters that are presently before the Parliamentary Committee. Due to the short notice, I have contacted each and every member of my brigade and they have unanimously voted in preference of the private members bill. We should not be discriminated against because we are volunteers. We stand in the same smoke alongside paid fire-fighters and yet the volunteer fire-fighter does not get the same level of cover under the Government's proposed bill. We do not support the Governments discriminatory bill. We support the private members bill that provides equal protection to all fire-fighters regardless of their pay status.

Peter Schwenderling 1st Officer On behalf of the members of Upper Flagstone RFB.