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"Over the last week I have reflected on the comments I made at the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Fire and Rescue Authority meeting. I sincerely wish to apologise for any harm or offence caused by the comments I made. I understand my comments have caused offence to members of the Fire Authority, firefighters, women's networks and others. This was never my intention. I deplore all types of discrimination."

Police and Crime Commissioner Donna Jones said,

"As the first woman to be elected as Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire and the Isle of Wight and also the first woman to be the Executive Leader of a city unitary council in Hampshire, I am committed to inspiring women and girls across all of our communities. Equality for everyone is something that is within our reach. I support the equality and diversity work being undertaken by Hampshire and Isle of Wight Fire and Rescue Service. I will do all I can to ensure that Hampshire Constabulary is a fair and equitable employer and equal opportunities are provided to women as well as men."

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