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YOUR LETTERS

FRS staff made me immensely proud

The recent flooding seen in South Yorkshire was unprecedented. Whilst, regretfully, lives have been lost and many residents left temporarily homeless, it is a tribute to the emergency services working in close collaboration that we have not lost more lives.

I am immensely proud to be Chair of the Fire and Rescue Authority at a time when the staff of the fire and rescue service nationally have shown, yet again, their dedication, commitment and bravery in carrying out their duties.

I should like to take this opportunity, through the FBU, to thank all colleagues in the 30-plus brigades for their help in supporting our fire crews and in protecting the lives and property of the communities in South Yorkshire.

**Councillor Jim Andrews
South Yorkshire
Fire and Rescue Authority**

Firefighters worked for hours non-stop during the recent floods. They pay a higher contribution to their pension than in most other pension schemes to reflect that retirement has been earlier than for others and that the scheme allowed for ill-health retirements because of the physical demands of work in the fire service

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