



## Appendix ii: UFBA Fire Services Review Member Survey – Issues of Main Concern

| Survey statements that attracted the highest agreement by UFBA respondents  |                |                |                           |                   |                   |                |                |
|---|----------------|----------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Answer options  | Strongly Agree | Somewhat Agree | Neither Agree or Disagree | Somewhat Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Rating Average | Response Count |
| I need assurance that firefighters acting in good faith will not be liable if something goes wrong at a non-fire incident                                     | 541            | 40             | 5                         | 1                 | 2                 | 1.10           | 589            |
| I think the board should have at least one person who has skills and experience in volunteer issues   | 476            | 102            | 10                        | 4                 | 5                 | 1.26           | 597            |
| I believe it is important new funding arrangements are simple and clear so contributors know their liability  | 356            | 179            | 42                        | 1                 | 1                 | 1.47           | 579            |
| I believe volunteers are willing to give their time for a challenging and rewarding experience  | 386            | 175            | 31                        | 15                | 2                 | 1.48           | 609            |
| I, as a firefighter will always respond to calls for assistance regardless of whether it is authorised to deliver that assistance                             | 385            | 148            | 30                        | 17                | 8                 | 1.49           | 588            |
| I think it is important there is absolute clarity about what non-fire services I and my brigade are expected to deliver                                       | 379            | 158            | 25                        | 16                | 12                | 1.52           | 590            |
| I just expect that my brigade is funded to meet its needs   | 391            | 125            | 24                        | 31                | 11                | 1.53           | 582            |
| I think volunteers should retain their current rights of appeal to the Board and Minister when in dispute with NZFS   | 379            | 147            | 71                        | 8                 | 4                 | 1.54           | 609            |
| I believe the connection to our community and the support of our families is the key issue for structuring brigade, Fire Service and Commission relationships | 425            | 150            | 40                        | 18                | 16                | 1.54           | 649            |
| I believe respect and recognition are as important as having a modern station and good equipment  | 382            | 168            | 30                        | 24                | 8                 | 1.54           | 612            |
| I believe national, not local, resources should meet the costs of providing authorised discretionary functions  | 322            | 195            | 62                        | 4                 | 3                 | 1.59           | 586            |
| I think the funding arrangements should generate increased proceeds as the need for fire service cover grows  | 308            | 205            | 55                        | 8                 | 1                 | 1.59           | 577            |
| Survey statements that attracted the least agreement by UFBA respondents  |                |                |                           |                   |                   |                |                |
| I think the exact nature of the relationship between brigade, Fire Service and Commission is unimportant  | 48             | 50             | 71                        | 136               | 348               | 4.05           | 653            |
| I think the brigade would be better run by career service officers than by volunteer officers   | 32             | 35             | 58                        | 104               | 417               | 4.30           | 646            |