

HEREFORD & WORCESTER Fire and Rescue Authority

Policy and Resources Committee AGENDA

10.30 am Wednesday 8 June 2011

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WELCOME AND GUIDE TO TODAY'S MEETING

These notes are written to assist you to follow the meeting. Decisions at the meeting will be taken by the **Councillors** who are democratically elected representatives and they will be advised by **Officers** who are paid professionals. The Fire and Rescue Authority comprises 25 Councillors and appoints committees to undertake various functions on behalf of the Authority. There are 19 Worcestershire County Councillors on the Authority and 6 Herefordshire Council Councillors.

Agenda Papers

Attached is the Agenda which is a summary of the issues to be discussed and the related reports by Officers.

Chairman

The Chairman, who is responsible for the proper conduct of the meeting, sits at the head of the table.

Officers

Accompanying the Chairman is the Chief Fire Officer and other Officers of the Fire and Rescue Authority who will advise on legal and procedural matters and record the proceedings. These include the Clerk and the Treasurer to the Authority.

The Business

The Chairman will conduct the business of the meeting. The items listed on the agenda will be discussed.

Decisions

At the end of the discussion on each item the Chairman will put any amendments or motions to the meeting and then ask the Councillors to vote. The Officers do not have a vote.

Agenda

Members

Mr A I Hardman, (Chairman), Mr K Taylor (Vice-Chairman), Mrs P Andrews, Mr T Bean, Mrs M Bunker, Mr J Cairns, Mr J Campion, Mr S Clee, Mr J Goodwin, Mrs L Hodgson, Brigadier P Jones CBE, Mrs J Potter, Mr D Taylor, Mr R Udall and Mr G Yarranton.

No Item **Pages** 1. **Apologies for Absence** To receive any apologies for absence. 2. **Named Substitutes** To receive details of any Member of the Authority nominated to attend the meeting in place of a Member of the Committee. **Declaration of Interests (if any)** 3. The Members' Code of Conduct requires Members to declare any interests against an Agenda item, the nature of an interest and whether the interest is personal or prejudicial. If a Councillor has a personal interest, they must declare it but can stay, take part and vote in the meeting. If a Councillor has a prejudicial interest then they must declare what that interest is and leave the meeting room for the duration of the item. This item allows the Chairman to invite any Member to declare an interest in any of the items on this Agenda. **Confirmation of Minutes** 1 - 5 4. To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 24 March 2011 (copy attached). 6 - 21 5. **Authority Plan 2010-2011 Fourth Quarter Performance Analysis** To provide the Policy and Resources Committee with a summary of the fourth guarter performance against the 2010-11 Authority Plan. 6. **Authority Plan 2010-2011 Annual Performance Analysis** 22 - 53 To provide the Policy and Resources Committee with a summary of the annual performance against the 2010-11 Authority Plan. 7. The Authority's Draft Annual Plan 2011/12 54 - 55 To consider the draft Authority Plan 2011/12 for approval and publication. (Appendix 1- Draft Authority Annual Plan 2011/12 to follow)

8.	Provisional Financial Results 2010/11	56 – 62
	To brief the Policy and Resources Committee on provisional financial results for the year ended 31 March 2011.	
9.	Fire Control Project Update	63 – 66
	To inform Members of progress in the procurement of a new Command and Control system.	
	2. To update Members on progress in the development of collaborative arrangements with Shropshire FRS, particularly the submission of a joint request for funding to DCLG officials.	
10.	Adjustments to Conditions of Service for staff on the Retained Duty system	67 – 74
	To inform the Policy and Resources Committee of the implications of recent changes to the Scheme of Conditions of Service for staff on the Retained Duty system.	
11.	Update from the Equality and Diversity Steering Group	75 – 76
	To provide the Policy and Resources Committee with a report on the work undertaken through the Service's Equality and Diversity Steering Group.	
12.	Update from the Joint Consultative Committee	77 – 78
	To inform the Policy and Resources Committee of the JCC Meetings.	
13.	Update from the Health and Safety Liaison Panel	79 – 81
	To provide the Policy and Resources Committee with a report on the work undertaken through the Service's Health and Safety Liaison Panel.	
14.	Policy and Resources Committee Work Programme 2011/2012	82 - 85
	To put forward a draft work programme for the Committee to consider and amend as appropriate, prior to approval.	
15.	Asset Management Strategy: Malvern Fire Station	86 – 88
	To gain approval for budget allocation to replace the fire station at Malvern.	
	(Appendix 1 and 2 for this item are not for publication as the Clerk considers that they disclose information relating to the financial business of the Authority)	
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