

HEREFORD AND WORCESTER FIRE AUTHORITY

URGENT DECISIONS RECORD

URGENT DECISION NUMBER: 01/10

1. Outline of the issue to be decided

Tendering process for new control centre equipment

2. The Monitoring Officer, in consultation with the Chairman, shall agree that the matter is urgent and that it would be impractical to call a meeting of the Authority

Given the increasing likelihood of a change in government policy in this area and the impact and demand that is likely to immediately hit the market thereafter both the Chairman and Monitoring Officer are agreed that it would be potentially detrimental to the Authority's finances and resilience interests to delay deciding the issue as to whether a tendering process for new control room equipment should go ahead. Both the Chairman and the Monitoring Officer are agreed that it would be impractical to call a meeting if there is a Government announcement, especially taking into consideration the limited availability for a further meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee before the Christmas period.

Dated _____

Signed _____
Monitoring Officer

Signed _____
Chairman of the Authority

3. Record of decision of the Chief Fire Officer, having regard to the consultation, with Group Leaders.

Group Leaders present on 16 December 2010: Cllrs. Jones, Taylor and Bean, with Cllr. Udall also in attendance, agreed that the tendering process for new control centre equipment as recommended in the attached briefing note be undertaken. The Chief Fire Officer's decision is that the Service can go to tender for a replacement mobilising system.

Dated _____

Signed _____
Chief Fire Officer and Chief Executive

Decision reported to the Policy and Resources Committee on 28 January 2011.

Appendix: **Fire Control Resilience Project Urgent Decision Proposal**