



# **HEREFORD & WORCESTER Fire Authority**

**Full Authority**

## **AGENDA**

**Wednesday, 01 October 2014**

**10:30**

**Shire Hall**

**St Peter's Square, Hereford, HR1 2HY**

## **ACTION ON DISCOVERING A FIRE**

- 1 Break the glass at the nearest **FIRE ALARM POINT**.  
(This will alert Control and other Personnel)
- 2 Tackle the fire with the appliances available – **IF SAFE TO DO SO**.
- 3 Proceed to the Assembly Point for a Roll Call –

**CAR PARK OF THE OFFICE BUILDING ADJACENT TO THE CYCLE SHED TO THE LEFT OF THE ENTRANCE BARRIER TO 2 KINGS COURT.**

- 4 Never re-enter the building – **GET OUT STAY OUT**.

## **ACTION ON HEARING THE ALARM**

- 1 Proceed immediately to the Assembly Point

**CAR PARK OF THE OFFICE BUILDING ADJACENT TO THE CYCLE SHED TO THE LEFT OF THE ENTRANCE BARRIER TO 2 KINGS COURT.**

- 2 Close all doors en route. The senior person present will ensure all personnel have left the room.
- 3 Never re-enter the building – **GET OUT STAY OUT**.

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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.



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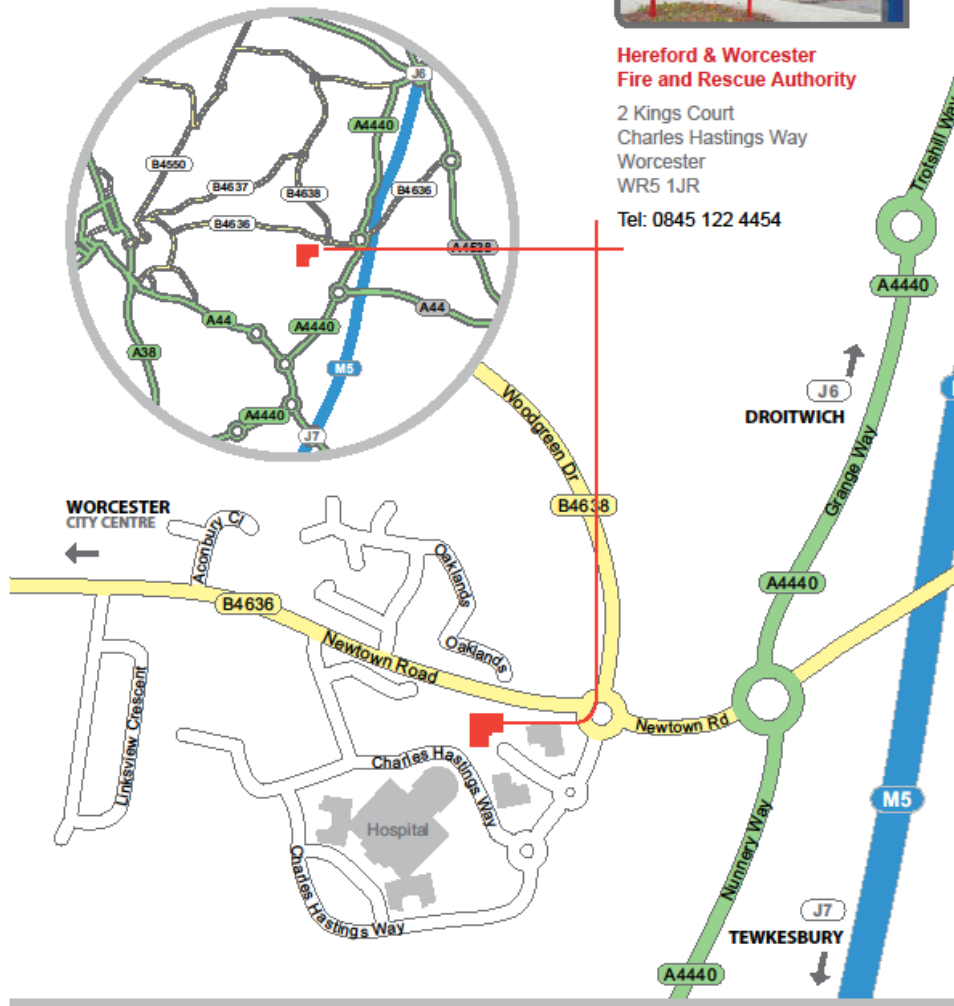
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### Agenda

#### Councillors

Mr D W Prodger MBE (Chairman), Brigadier P Jones CBE (Vice Chairman), Mr R C Adams, Ms P Agar, Mr S C Cross, Ms L R Duffy, Mr A Fry, Mr W P Gretton, Ms K S Guthrie, Mr A I Hardman, Mrs A T Hingley, Ms R E Jenkins, Mr J L V Kenyon, Mr R I Matthews, Mr A P Miller, Mrs F M Oborski, Professor J W Raine, Mr P Sinclair-Knipe, Mr C B Taylor, Mr D C Taylor, Mr J W R Thomas, Mr P A Tuthill, Mr R M Udall, Mr G J Vickery, Mr G C Yarranton,

No.	Item	Pages
1	<b>Apologies for Absence</b>  To receive any apologies for absence.	
2	<b>Declarations of Interest (if any)</b>  This item allows the Chairman to invite any Councillor to declare an interest in any of the items on this Agenda.	
3	<b>Confirmation of Minutes</b>  To confirm the minutes from the previous meeting.  <b>FRA Minutes 9 June 2014</b>  Details	8 - 15
4	<b>Chairman's Announcements</b>  To update Members on recent activities.	

## **5 Public Participation**

To allow a Member of the public to present a petition, ask a question or make a statement relating to any topic concerning the duties and powers of the Authority.

Members of the public wishing to take part should notify the Head of Legal Services in writing or by email indicating both the nature and content of their proposed participation no later than 2 clear working days before the meeting (in this case by 9:00am on Monday 29 September 2014). Further details about public participation are available on the Council's website. Enquiries can also be made through the telephone numbers/email listed below.

## **6 Community Risk Management Plan 2014-2020**

**16 - 24**

To report the response to and findings from the public consultation regarding the Authority's draft Community Risk Management Plan (CRMP), and to consider recommendations for the implementation of the Fire and Emergency Cover Review.

To consider the use of the Authority's General Reserves to protect front line services.

To approve the draft CRMP for publication.

## **7 Notice of Motion**

**25 - 25**

To inform Members of a Notice of Motion received.

## **8 Review of Conditions of Service - Operational Staff**

**26 - 52**

To inform Members that the Department for Communities & Local Government (DCLG) has initiated a review of conditions of service for operational fire staff at all grades, including Brigade Commanders and has published two questionnaires to gather views from Fire and Rescue Authorities. There is a further questionnaire available for completion by individual firefighters.

## **9 Provision of Internal Audit Services**

**53 - 54**

To inform Members of a potential entry to the collaborative partnership arrangement for provision of Internal Audit with Worcestershire Internal Audit Shared Service and to seek authority to join the shared service if this is shown to be beneficial.

<b>10</b>	<b>Chief Fire Officer's Service Report</b>	<b>55 - 58</b>
	To inform the Authority of recent key developments and activities.	
<b>11</b>	<b>Minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee</b>	<b>59 - 74</b>
	To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 2 June 2014 and 10 September 2014.	
<b>12</b>	<b>Minutes of the Audit and Standards Committee</b>	<b>75 - 77</b>
	To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 30 June 2014. Members' attention is drawn to minute no. 6 where it is RECOMMENDED that the role of overseeing Member Development be undertaken in future by the Audit and Standards Committee instead of a Member Development Working Group.	