

# HEREFORD & WORCESTER Fire Authority

**Full Authority** 

**AGENDA** 

Wednesday, 18 February 2015

10:30

Conference Suites Headquarters, 2 Kings Court, Charles Hastings Way, Worcester, WR5 1JR

## **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.** 

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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.

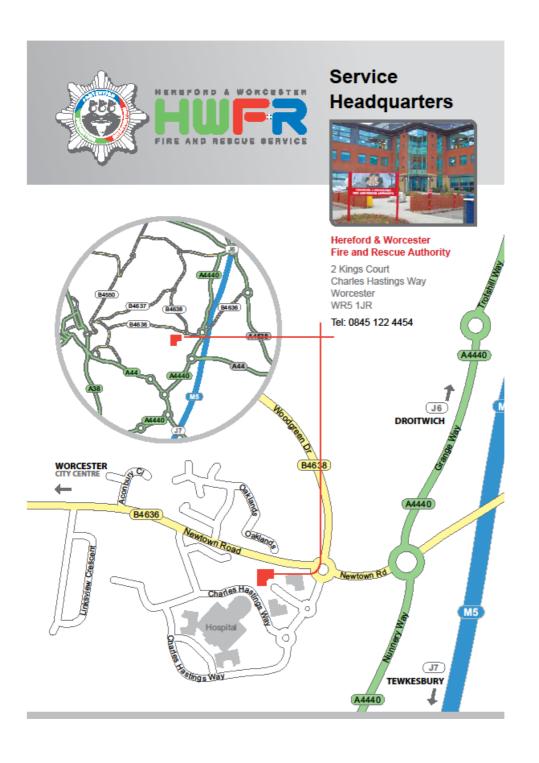
**Agenda Papers -** Attached is the Agenda which is a summary of the issues to be discussed and the related reports by Officers.

**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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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,

Councillor Mr Gordon Yarranton (Member)

No. Item Pages

# 1 Apologies for Absence

To receive any apologies for absence.

## 2 Declarations of Interest (if any)

This item allows the Chairman to invite any Councillor to declare an interest in any of the items on this Agenda.

## 3 Confirmation of Minutes

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To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 10 December 2014.

#### 4 Chairman's Announcements

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.

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## 6 Budget and Precept 2015-16 and Medium Term Financial Plan

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- 1. To determine the Revenue and Capital Budgets and the Council Tax Requirement for 2015/16.
- 2. To approve the Prudential Indicators and Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Statement for 2015/16.
- 3. To identify potential future resources, their consequential impact on future year budgets and the future Council Tax Requirement.

## 7 Day Crewing Plus - Hereford and Worcester Fire Stations

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To report back to the Authority regarding the feasibility of introducting the Day Crewing Plus duty system to crew the second wholetime fire engines at Hereford and Worcester fire stations.

To seek approval to introduce Day Crewing Plus on a two year trial basis for the second fire engines at Hereford and Worcester fire stations.

## 8 Workforce Planning

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To update Members on options for reducing the whole time workforce as a consequence of changes in fire cover as agreed by the Fire Authority on 1 October 2014.

9	Hindlip Transformation Bid	52 - 54
	To update Members on progress on the project to relocate the Fire Authority Headquarters to join West Mercia Police at Hindlip Park near Worcester and to provide assurance that Officers of the Service are fully engaged with their counterparts in the Police to ensure that this project is delivered successfully with the appropriate resources.	
10	Joint Property Vehicle Update	55 - 56
	To update members on decisions made by other bodies with regard to the Joint Property Vehicle (JPV) and to reaffirm this Authority's decision to join the JPV.	
11	Pay Policy Statement 2015/16	57 - 66
	To bring to the attention of the Authority the requirement for the Service to publish its annual Pay Policy Statement for year 2015/16.	
12	Chief Fire Officer's Service Report	67 - 69
	To inform the Authority of recent key developments and activities.	
13	Minutes of the Audit and Standards Committee	70 - 71
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14	Minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee	72 - 75
	Minutes from Policy and Resources Committee 27 January 2015.	