Hereford & Worcester Fire and Rescue Authority 14 September 2009

8. Budget Committee Report

Purpose of report

1. To inform the Authority of the proceedings and recommendations of the Budget Committee Meeting on 30 July 2009.

Recommendations

The Budget Committee recommends that the Authority notes the proceedings and recommendations of the Budget Committee Meeting on 30 July 2009, and that

- i) The Authority approves the release of £40,000 from the IRMP Strategy to fund pre-design works on the IRMP building schemes (as set out in Appendix 1);
- *ii)* The Authority approves the Asset Management Plan as recommended by the Committee (as set out in Appendix 2), and
- *ii)* The Authority approves the proposed refurbishment works at Kidderminster Fire Station be brought within the scope of the IRMP capital programme (as set out in Appendix 3).

Background

2. The Budget Committee's role is to review the financial prospects and make recommendations to the Fire and Rescue Authority and to have oversight of financial matters raised in external and internal audit arrangements.

The Budget Committee Meeting 30 July 2009

- 3. This was the first meeting of the newly-appointed Budget Committee and all 11 members attended.
- 4. The meeting received a report on Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring for the first quarter of 2009/2010, and considered the review of the Asset Management Plan 2009-2013 and the proposed refurbishment works at Kidderminster Fire Station.

Conclusion / Summary

5. The Committee noted the positions regarding Revenue and Capital Budgets for 2009/2010, and made the three recommendations for the Authority, as set out above.

Corporate Considerations

6. A Business Impact Analysis form is attached at Appendix 4 to measure and address the proposals contained in this report. The form contains information on the potential resource implications, legal issues, strategic policy links, equality / ethical issues and risk management implications.

Supporting Information

- Appendix 1 Report on proceedings and recommendations of the Budget Committee Meeting held on 30 July 2009
- Appendix 2 Property Asset Management Plan 2009-2013
- Appendix 3 Report on the Proposed Refurbishment works at Kidderminster Fire Station
- Appendix 4 Business Impact Analysis
- Background papers Agenda and Papers for the Budget Committee Meeting held on 30 July 2009

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