Hereford & Worcester Fire and Rescue Authority 18 December 2009

Agenda

Members

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1. Apologies for Absence

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. Declaration of Interests (if any)

The Members' Code of Conduct requires Councillors 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 Councillor to declare an interest in any of the items on this Agenda.

3. Chairman's Announcements

4. Confirmation of Minutes

To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Fire and Rescue Authority held on 14 September 2009 (copy attached).

5. Questions from Members of the Public

To receive questions previously submitted by members of the public more than five clear working days before the meeting of the Authority.

6. Service Report

To inform Members of recent key developments and activities together with performance information for the period 1 July to 30 September 2009.

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	To inform Members of future financial prospects.	20 – 24
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	To provide the Authority with a progress report on the implementation of management efficiencies.	25 – 26
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	(i) To provide the Authority with details of the consultation process for the 2010/11 IRMP Action Plan and to provide a summary of the key themes from feedback received.	27 – 54
	(ii) To seek approval of the 2010/11 IRMP Action Plan as amended following public consultation.	
10.	Warwickshire FRS Improvement Plan	
	To inform Fire Authority Members of the proposals and implications arising from Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Service's Improvement Plan and the associated response made from this Authority.	55 – 62
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