

**Minutes of the Meeting of
Shropshire and Wrekin Fire and Rescue Authority
Strategy and Resources Committee
held in the Oak Room at Headquarters, Shrewsbury
on Thursday, 19 June 2014 at 2.00 pm**

Present

Members

Councillors Mrs Barrow, Carter (Chair), Hartin, Miss Reynolds, Thompson and West

Officers

Chief Fire Officer, Assistant Chief Fire Officer – Corporate Services,
Corporate Support Manager and Administrative Support Officer (Area Managers)

1 Apologies for Absence

No apologies for absence had been received. Councillor Minnery had emailed to give his apologies for absence just prior to the meeting but the message had not been read until after the meeting.

2 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

The Chair reminded Members that they must not participate in the discussion of, or voting on, any matter, in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.

No Disclosable Pecuniary Interests were declared.

3 Minutes

It was proposed by Councillor Hartin, seconded by Councillor West and

Resolved that the minutes of the Strategy and Resources Committee meeting, held on 13 March 2014, be agreed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

4 Public Questions

No questions, statements or petitions had been received, from members of the public.

5 Strategy and Resources Committee Terms of Reference

This report proposed amendments to the Terms of Reference of the Strategy and Resources Committee for consideration and recommendation to the Fire Authority, following the annual review conducted by officers.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Barrow, seconded by Councillor Thompson and

Resolved that the Committee agree to recommend to the Fire Authority the proposed amendments to its Terms of Reference, set out at section 4 of the report

6 Review of Member Role Descriptions

This report asked Members to review the Role Descriptions for the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Strategy and Resources Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor Hartin, seconded by Councillor Mrs Barrow and

Resolved that the Committee agree to delete, in the Role Description for the Chair of the Committee, reference to presentation of an Annual Report on the work of the Committee to the Fire Authority

7 Corporate Risk Management Summary

This report was the latest of the regular risk management summary reports to the Strategy and Resources Committee. The progress reported related to that achieved since the last Committee update in March 2014.

In response to a question regarding the European Working Time Directive the Assistant Chief Fire Officer advised that she attended national meetings of the Chief Fire Officers' Association People and Organisation Development Committee. The Chair of the Committee liaised with Members of the European Parliament on this issue but had reported no developments at the previous month's Committee meeting. She added that the majority of Retained Duty Staff were not likely to be affected, although it could impact on those undertaking either administrative work on stations or community activities.

Councillor Hartin added that he would be attending a meeting of Members of the European Parliament that evening, when he would ask for an update on developments.

It was proposed by Councillor West, seconded by Councillor Mrs Barrow and

Resolved that the Committee note the contents of the report

8 Capital Update on Activity and Finance

This report provided an overview of all of the capital schemes within the Brigade and their current status.

It was noted that the second part of the appendix to this report would be considered in the closed session of the meeting (paper 10), as it was exempt from publication under paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

Councillor Hartin asked to which stations the positive pressure ventilation fans had been delivered. The Chief Fire Officer did not have this information to hand but undertook to provide a response to Members of the Committee immediately after the meeting.

It was proposed by Councillor West, seconded by Councillor Hartin and

Resolved that the Committee note the progress so far on current schemes

9 Local Government Act 1972

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Barrow, seconded by Councillor Hartin and

Resolved that, under the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded for the following agenda item on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined by the provisions of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act, by virtue of paragraph 3

10 Capital Update on Activity and Finance (Paragraph 3)

The Committee received the second part of the appendix to report 8 – Capital Update on Activity and Finance, which contained exempt information.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Barrow, seconded by Councillor West and

Resolved that the Committee note the information contained in the appendix

The meeting closed at 2.20 pm.

These minutes were agreed by the Committee and signed as a correct record by the:

Chair.....

on:

Date.....