

# Shropshire and Wrekin Fire Authority

Meeting at The Shirehall, Shrewsbury  
at 2.00 pm on Wednesday, 11 June 2008

## Agenda

### 1 Apologies for Absence

### 2 Declarations of Interest

Members are reminded that they should declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests at this point and that they should leave the meeting before any item, in which they have a prejudicial interest, is discussed.

### 3 Non- Exempt Minutes

To agree the non-exempt minutes of the Fire Authority meeting, held on 30 April 2008, and that they be signed by the Chair as a correct record. Attached marked **3. For decision**

### 4 Public Questions

To receive any questions, statements or petitions, of which notice has been received, from members of the public.

### 5 Strategy and Resources Committee

To receive the minutes of the Strategy and Resources Committee meeting, held on 22 May 2008. Attached marked **5. For information**

### 6 Review of the Code of Corporate Governance

This report requests Members to agree and adopt the proposed Code of Corporate Governance for Shropshire and Wrekin Fire Authority, following the annual review conducted by officers. Attached marked **6. For decision**

### 7 Statement of Accounts 2007/08

This report informs members of the 2007/08 closure of accounts, and asks the Fire Authority to approve formally the statement of accounts 2007/08, attached as an appendix. Attached marked **7. For decision**

### 8 Annual Governance Statement

This report asks the Fire Authority to formally approve the Annual Governance Statement 2007/08, which must be included as part of the Statement of Accounts 2007/08. It also asks Members to formally approve the Annual Governance Statement Improvement Plan 2008/09. Attached marked **8. For decision**

### 9 Annual Report 2007/08

This report seeks Member approval of the proposed contents and format of the Fire Authority Annual Report 2007/08. Attached marked **9. For decision**

## **10 Medium Term Financial Plan 2008-09 to 2011/12**

This report seeks the Fire Authority's approval to the contents and publication of the Medium Term Financial Plan for 2008/09 to 2011/12. Attached marked **10. For decision**

If the Medium Term Financial Plan is not attached to the report, it can be accessed on the Fire Authority's website. Go to [www.shropshirefire.gov.uk](http://www.shropshirefire.gov.uk). Click on Shropshire and Wrekin Fire Authority in the top right hand corner, then Fire and Rescue Authority, then 11 June 2008 and the various reports and appendices will be listed.

## **11 Anti Fraud and Corruption Policy**

The Fire Authority's Anti Fraud and Corruption Strategy is communicated to all members and staff, and is also available on the Authority's website at

[www.shropshirefire.gov.uk/engine/managing-the-service/policies-and-strategies.htm](http://www.shropshirefire.gov.uk/engine/managing-the-service/policies-and-strategies.htm)

The Strategy has been reviewed by Officers, and the processes detailed within the document are unchanged. Therefore with the exception of budget information and employee numbers, no changes are proposed following the review. **For information**

## **12 FiReControl Local Authority Controlled Company Update Report from Director**

Councillor Allen, the Fire Authority's Director on the Board of the FiReControl Local Authority Controlled Company, will provide a verbal update on developments. **For information**

## **13 Fire and Rescue Service National Framework 2008-11**

This report advises Members of the recently released Fire and Rescue Service National Framework 2008-11. Attached marked **13. For information**

If the National Framework 2008-11 is not attached to the report, it can be accessed on the Fire Authority's website. Go to [www.shropshirefire.gov.uk](http://www.shropshirefire.gov.uk). Click on Shropshire and Wrekin Fire Authority in the top right hand corner, then Fire and Rescue Authority, then 11 June 2008 and the various reports and appendices will be listed.

## **14 Integrated Risk Management Planning Consultation Schedule and Members' Working Group update**

This report provides Members with details of the timetable for the 2009/10 Integrated Risk Management Planning (IRMP) presentations and invitation to attend the fire station IRMP presentations. In addition a verbal update will be given at the meeting by the IRMP Manager on the outcomes of the IRMP Members Working Group meeting held on 10 June 2008, in respect of progress on the 'Fire Cover Review for the remaining areas of Shropshire'. Attached marked **14. For information**

**15 European Commission Lifelong Learning Programme (Leonardo da Vinci)**

This report advises Members of the completed 2007/08 Leonardo Staff Exchange Programme and the successful securing of funds to facilitate a further exchange programme during 2008/09. Attached marked **15. For decision**

**16 Local Government Act 1972**

To consider a resolution under section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 that the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined by the provisions of Part I of Schedule 12(A) to the Act, by virtue of Paragraph 3 – Information relating to the financial affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

**17 Exempt Minutes**

To agree the exempt minutes of the Fire Authority meeting, held on 30 April 2008, and that they be signed by the Chair as a correct record. Attached marked **17. For decision**

Please note that details of complaints made about, and compliments received by, Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service are available at every meeting of the Fire Authority for Members to peruse. Please ask Lynn Ince if you would like to look at them.

Compliments and thank you letters can also be viewed on the Service's website on the following link:

<http://www.shropshirefire.gov.uk/engine.php/managing-the-service/compliments-and-thanks.htm>