

**Shropshire and Wrekin Fire Authority  
Strategy and Resources Committee Meeting  
at Brigade Headquarters, Shrewsbury  
on Thursday, 13 November 2008 at 2.00 pm**

**Agenda**

**1 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence have been received from Councillor Eade.

**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 Minutes**

To agree the minutes of the Strategy and Resources Committee meeting, held on 18 September 2008, and that they be signed 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 Financial Performance to September 2008**

This report provides information on the financial performance of the service to date, and seeks approval for action, where necessary. Attached marked **5. For decision**

**6 2009/10 and Later Years Revenue and Capital Budgets**

This paper brings together the elements of the budget as set out in the papers that follow, and seeks the Committee's approval for a budget outline to be recommended to the Fire Authority in December 2008. Attached marked **6. For decision**

**6a Base Budget plus Committed Change**

This report shows the latest position on the base budget plus committed change, following budget reviews by heads of department. Attached marked **6a. For information**

**6b Pay and Prices Assumptions**

The report sets out the possible provision to be made for pay and price inflation in 2009/10 and later years. Attached marked **6b. For decision**

**6c Efficiencies 2009/10 and Forward Budgets**

This report looks at the implications for setting efficiency budgets in 2009/10 to 2013/14. Attached marked **6c. For decision**

**6d Service Developments 2009/10**

This report informs members of service developments (growth) that has been identified by officers for inclusion within the 2009/10 budget. Attached marked **6d. For decision**

**6e “What If” and Integrated Risk Management Plan Update**

The Chief Fire Officer will give a presentation updating the current “what if” plan as described in the Medium Term Financial Plan. The presentation will include early proposals for improving service delivery, which will shortly be considered by the Integrated Risk Management Planning Members Working Group. **For approval**

**6f Capital Programme 2009/10 to 2013/14**

This report sets out the current schemes put forward for inclusion in the next five years’ budgets. It then sets out the potential revenue consequences, subject to project appraisals and a review of financing possibilities. Attached marked **6f. For decision**

**6g Provisions, Reserves and Funds**

This report sets out the issues which the Fire Authority will need to consider as part of its annual review of provisions, reserves and funds. Attached marked **6g. For decision**

**7 Capital Update on Activity and Finance**

The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of all the capital schemes within the Brigade and their current status. Attached marked **7. For information**

**8 Fire and Rescue Service National Framework 2008-11**

This report advises Members of the Fire and Rescue Service National Framework 2008-11, and the actions / plans being undertaken by officers to address the Framework’s requirements. Attached marked **8. For information**

**9 Corporate Risk Management Summary**

This is the latest of the regular Risk Summary Reports to the Strategy and Resources Committee. As previously, these reports are intended to enable Members to meet the requirements of this Committee’s Terms of Reference as they relate to the Fire Authority’s management of corporate risk. The progress reported relates to that achieved since the last Annual Summary Report, received by the Fire Authority at its meeting in July 2008. Attached marked **9. For information**

## **10 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 items on the grounds that they involve 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 4.

## **11 Corporate Risk Management Summary – Exempted Information (Paragraph 4)**

The Committee will have received an open session report, which summarised its current exposure to corporate risk. This report supplements that one, as it contains information that is exempt from publication by virtue of the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A. Attached marked **11. For information**