

Minutes of a meeting of the Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Combined Fire Authority's Policy Committee held at the Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters on Wednesday 5th November 2014

PRESENT

Cllr S Corrall – in the Chair

Cllr C Bhatti

Ms B Newton CC

Cllr K Bool

Mrs C Radford CC

Mr B Liquorish CC

Mr M Wyatt CC

OFFICERS

Mr D Webb

Chief Fire and Rescue Officer

Mr R Chandler

Deputy Chief Fire and Rescue Officer

Mr S Lunn

Director of Community Services

Mr T Peel

Treasurer and Director of Finance and Corporate Services

Mr G Goodman

Solicitor and Monitoring Officer

Mrs J Green

Member Services Co-ordinator

1. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies received.

2. Declarations of Interest

None.

3. Public Participation

None.

4. Chair's Announcements

None.

5. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED:

The Committee confirmed as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 27th August 2014.

6. Urgent Items

None.

7. Key Projects Report

The DCFO presented this routine update report to the Committee in respect of on-going projects and tasks undertaken since the last Committee meeting on 27th August 2014.

Members were informed that the OCP Consultation would conclude on 31st December 2014.

RESOLVED:

The Committee noted the report.

8. Performance Monitoring Report

The DCFO presented this routine update report to the Committee in respect of organisational performance against the relevant Secondary Indicators for the period April 2014 to September 2014.

RESOLVED:

The Committee noted the performance for the period April 2014 to September 2014 against a range of indicators.

9. Financial Budget Monitoring

The Treasurer presented this regular routine financial monitoring report to the Committee. This report highlighted the current position of the Capital and Revenue budgets at Financial Period 6, ending 30th September 2014.

RESOLVED:

The Committee:

- a) Noted the budget position as at the end of September 2014.
- b) Noted the review of growth and savings as at the end of September 2014.
- c) Noted the review of carry forwards as at the end of September 2014.
- d) Noted the treasury management position as at the end of September 2014.
- e) Agreed to increase the Capital Programme by £39,050 for the CFRMIS integration work as set out in Paragraph 3.2 of the report.
- f) Agreed the virement of £125,000 from RCCO to the Repairs and Maintenance budget arising from the non-commencement of works at Eastern Station as outlined in Paragraph 3.4 of the report.
- g) Agreed that the RCCO underspend of £54,480 for the Training Rig and Shepshed is utilised to support the 2014/15 Capital Programme to reduce

borrowing.

10. Forge Health Limited – Directors’ Report and Financial Statements 2013/14

The Director of Finance and Corporate Services presented this report which provided the results of the fourth year of trading for the CFA's Occupational Health trading company, Forge Health Limited.

RESOLVED:

The Committee noted the report.

11. Fire Transformation Fund 2015-16: Outcome of the Competitive Bid Process

The CFO presented this report informing the Committee of the outcome of the competitive bid process for the Fire Transformation Fund 2015/16.

The CFA were informed that further information was being requested from the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) to try and establish why the bid was unsuccessful.

RESOLVED:

The Committee noted the report.

12. Firefighters’ Pension Scheme 2015: Proposals for New Governance Arrangements

The Director of Finance and Corporate Services presented this update report to DCLG's proposals for the new governance arrangements for the 2015 Firefighters' Pension Scheme and to seek its approval for the proposed response on behalf of the CFA.

RESOLVED:

The Committee agreed the draft consultation response for submission to DCLG.

13. Date of next meeting:

This was confirmed as 14th January 2015.

14. Resolved to exclude the public

The following item is exempt under Part 1, paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that the information in the report relates to an individual.

In accordance with Part 2, paragraph 10 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 the public interest in the report remaining confidential outweighs the public interest in disclosure because of the duty of confidence owed to the individual concerned.

15. Exempt Item – Overpayment of Salary

The DCFO presented this report to the Committee.

The Chair put the recommendation to a vote with 5 in Favour, 1 Against and 1 Abstention.

RESOLVED:

The Committee approved the recommendation as set out in the report.

5th November 2014
14:51hrs – 15:45hrs

Chair