

**NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND CITY OF NOTTINGHAM
FIRE AUTHORITY**

MINUTES

of the Meeting of the Authority held on **1 FEBRUARY 2002** at County Hall,
West Bridgford, Nottingham from 11.00 am to 11.50 am.

Membership

	Councillor Jackson	(Chairman)
	Councillor Scott	(Vice-Chairman)
	Councillor Afsar	
	Councillor Bennett	
	Councillor Bosnjak	
^	Councillor Cottee	
	Councillor Davison	
^	Councillor Freeman	
	Councillor Griggs	
	Councillor Hemsall	
	Councillor Markin	
	Councillor O'Toole	
	Councillor Pepper	
	Councillor Pulk	
^	Councillor Smith	
	Councillor Spencer	
	Councillor Tsimbirdis	
	Councillor Wood	

Members absent are marked ^

219 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Freeman and Smith (on County Council business) and from Councillor Cottee.

220 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting held on 14 December 2001, copies of which had been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

221 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS OF MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

No declarations of interests were made.

222 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Committee stood in silence in tribute to the memory of Albert Thornhill, former Chief Fire Officer.

RESOLVED

- (1) that the next meeting be held on 22 March 2002 at Stockhill Fire Station at 12.15 pm following a visit to the station by HRH The Prince Of Wales;
- (2) that a report on CFAs as precepting bodies be brought to the next meeting of the Authority.

223 CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2002/03 TO 2004/05, ANNUAL BUDGET 2002/03

Consideration was given to a joint report of the Chief Fire Officer and Treasurer, copies of which had been circulated.

The Chair thanked both constituent authorities for their support in drawing up the budget.

RESOLVED

- (1) that the Capital Programme 2002/03 to 2004/05 and the Annual Budget 2002/03 be approved;
- (2) that the levy on constituent authorities as set out in the report be approved.

The following members voted in favour of the resolutions:-

Councillor Jackson
Councillor Scott
Councillor Afsar
Councillor Bennett
Councillor Bosnjak
Councillor Davison
Councillor Griggs
Councillor Hemsall

Councillor Markin
Councillor O'Toole
Councillor Pepper
Councillor Pulk
Councillor Spencer
Councillor Tsimbiridis
Councillor Wood

224 THREE YEAR INTEGRATED BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL PLAN

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated.

RESOLVED

- (1) that the use of risk profiling as the foundation of the corporate planning process and the three year integrated business and financial plan, as set out in the report be endorsed;
- (2) that policy updates on the Brigade's risk profile be brought to the Authority every 6 months;
- (3) that a members' partnership event be held to explore development opportunities through closer member/district working.

225 BUDGET MONITORING – THIRD QUARTER 2001

Consideration was given to a joint report of the Chief Fire Officer and Treasurer, copies of which had been circulated.

RESOLVED that the budget monitoring statement, as set out in the report, be noted.

226 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION – RESIDENTIAL SPRINKLER MOTION

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated.

RESOLVED

- (1) that members canvass the Brigade's policy and actively encourage the provision of residential sprinklers;
- (2) that the Brigade continue to work in partnership with other agencies to identify those persons or groups at high risk and to recommend, where appropriate, residential sprinkler systems;
- (3) that the Brigade formulate policy regarding trade-offs against traditional passive fire safety where residential sprinklers are included in Houses in Multiple Occupation, such policy to be risk assessment based in individual cases and take into account the responsibilities and authorities of other agencies;
- (4) that the Brigade positively promote and encourage the provision of residential sprinklers in new build private and public housing;
- (5) that the Brigade continue to work in partnership with other bodies such as the National Fire Sprinkler Network, Residential Sprinkler Association and British Automatic Sprinkler Association to research and promote the use of residential sprinklers, seeking to influence their inclusion in appropriate legislative changes.

227 MAINSCHEME RADIO REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated.

RESOLVED that the progress on the replacement radio project, as set out in the report, be noted.

228 ANNUAL SERVICE PLAN INCORPORATING THE BEST VALUE PERFORMANCE PLAN

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated.

RESOLVED that, subject to any further comments from members, to be submitted to the Chief Fire Officer by 15 February, the Annual Service/Best Value Performance Plan be approved.

229 AD-HOC MEMBERS GROUP ON EQUALITIES

RESOLVED that the report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated together with the minutes of the meeting of the Ad-hoc Members Group on Equalities held on 20 November 2001, be noted.

230 BEST VALUE REVIEW BOARD

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated.

RESOLVED

- (1) that the report regarding the Best Value Review Board and minutes of the Best Value Review Board dated 17 January 2002 be noted;
- (2) that reports be presented to the next meeting of the Authority outlining:-
 - (i) the implications of the Local Government Act White Paper; and
 - (ii) the Best Value Review Management Audit results.

231 MEMBERSHIP OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

RESOLVED that Councillor Scott be appointed as a member of the Personnel Committee in place of Councillor Freeman (resigned).

232 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC

RESOLVED that, pursuant to Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the remaining item as it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 7 and 14 of part 1 of schedule 12A to the Act.

233 UPDATE ON THE DEVELOPING NEW WORLD SITUATION

The Chief Fire Officer reported on the current position.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.