



**NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND CITY OF NOTTINGHAM
FIRE AUTHORITY**

MINUTES

of the meeting of the Authority held on **13 FEBRUARY 2004** at the Council House,
from 10.30 am to 11.32 am.

Membership

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

Members absent are marked ^

101 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

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

102 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting held on 16 January 2004, copies of which had been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

103 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

No declarations of interests were made.

**104 CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2004/05 TO 2006/07,
ANNUAL REVENUE BUDGET 2004/05,
SETTING OF THE 2004/05 PRECEPT**

Consideration was given to a report of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, copies of which had been circulated, together with an addendum report of the Chairman, copies of which were placed around the table.

RESOLVED

- (1) that a Net Revenue Budget for the Fire Authority of £39,186,134 be approved;**
- (2) that approval be given to the Fire Authority precept of £18,119,134, to be applied to the whole of the City and District Council Areas as General Expenses;**
- (3) that approval be given to set Council Tax for the Fire Authority as follows:-**

	£
Band A	38.05
Band B	44.39
Band C	50.74
Band D	57.08
Band E	69.76
Band F	82.45
Band G	95.13
Band H	114.16

- (4) that the precept for 2004/05 be collected from the City and District Councils in accordance with their agreed tax bases, with payments in equal instalments on the following dates:-**

<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>
23 April	4 January
28 May	9 February
2 July	15 March
6 August	
13 September	
15 October	
22 November	

- (5) that the 2004/05 Capital Programme of £2,684,051 be approved.**

105 PRUDENTIAL CODE FOR CAPITAL ACCOUNTING

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

RESOLVED that the following prudential limits for 2004/05, be approved;

Authorised Limit	£5,755,000
Operational Limit	£5,232,000

Upper limit for variable rate interest exposures	30%
Upper limit for fixed rate interest exposures	100%

Loan Maturity

Under 12 months		less than 20%
12 months to 5 years		less than 20 %
5 years to 10 years		less than 75%
Over 10 years	Greater than 25%	less than 90%

106 FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES BILL

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated regarding the publication of the Fire and Rescue Services Bill and associated explanatory notes.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

107 DRAFT LOCAL RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN – CONSULTATION RESPONSES

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer summarising responses to a period of three months public consultation, copies of which had been circulated.

RESOLVED that the report be noted and discussed further at the Members' seminar to be held at the rising of this meeting.