



**NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND CITY OF NOTTINGHAM  
FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY**

**MINUTES**

of the meeting of the Authority held on **28 APRIL 2006** at The Council House, Old Market Square, Nottingham from 10.30 am to 10.55 am.

**Membership**

	Councillor D Pulk	(Chair)
	Councillor B Charlesworth	(Vice-Chair)
	Councillor J Cottee	
	Councillor Y Davidson	
^	Councillor S Fielding	
	Councillor P Griggs	
^	Councillor B Grocock	
	Councillor J Hemsall	
^	Councillor P Henshaw	
	Councillor J Knight	
	Councillor P Lally	
	Councillor O'Riordan	
	Councillor T Pettengell	
	Councillor K Rigby	
	Councillor M Spencer	
^	Councillor T Spencer	
	Councillor T Stephenson	
	Councillor M Wood	

Members absent are marked ^

**114 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Fielding, Grocock, Henshaw, and Spencer.

**115 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the last meeting held on 24 March 2006, copies of which had been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chair.

**116 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

No declarations of interests were made.

## **117 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chair reported that the revised members allowance rates were effective from 3 April 2006 and payments would be backdated to then.

He also reported that he had attended a Local Area Agreement meeting in London and been involved in part of the joint negotiation process with the Trade Unions. In addition he had visited both new recruits and recruits who had finished the training course and was impressed with the calibre of people entering the Service.

The Regional Management Board (RMB) was to hold a half day members seminar in Derby on 19 May 2006 regarding the Regional Control Centre which all members were encouraged to attend.

Due to the RMB seminar the date of the Policy and Strategy Committee had been changed from 19 May to 22 May 2006.

Two extrication teams from Nottinghamshire were to compete in the regional final at Leicester on Sunday 30 April for places in the National Extrication Challenge. Members were invited to observe.

The Chair expressed his gratitude to all members and officers involved in developing and successfully implementing the new governance arrangements.

## **118 FUTURE SERVICE DELIVERY ARRANGEMENTS**

Consideration was given to the report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which were circulated on the day of the meeting.

The Chair expressed his thanks to everyone involved in working to achieve the new shift arrangements which would allow the Service greater engagement in community safety activities to reduce avoidable death and injury.

### **RESOLVED (by unanimous vote)**

- (1) that the new rostering arrangements as set out in Appendix A to the report be approved and the Chief Fire Officer be authorised to sign the formal agreement with the Fire Brigades Union;**
- (2) that the establishment of a Task and Finish Group be approved in order to monitor shift change implementation and report progress to the Policy and Strategy Committee;**
- (3) that the Policy and Strategy Committee establish membership of this Task and Finish Group, to include the lead opposition spokesperson, co-opted members, officers of the Authority and trade unions;**
- (4) that the terms of reference for the Policy and Strategy Committee be amended to allow that committee to establish other future Task and Finish Groups.**