



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

**FINANCE AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

of the meeting held on **12 OCTOBER 2007** at The Council House, Old Market Square,  
from 10.05 am to 12.05 pm.

**Membership**

Councillor P Griggs (Chair)  
Councillor B Cooper  
Councillor P Lally  
^ Councillor T Pettengell  
Councillor M Wood

Members absent are marked ^

Also in attendance was Councillor J Cottee.

**13 APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Pettengell.

**14 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

No declarations of interests were made.

**15 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the last meeting held on 20 September 2007, copies of which had been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chair.

**16 MONITORING UPDATES PERIOD 5 - ENDING 31 AUGUST 2007**

**(a) Budget**

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, detailing the financial performance of the service and highlighting areas of concern.

**RESOLVED**

- (1) that the report be noted;**
- (2) that an update report be submitted to the December 2007 meeting of this Committee.**

**(b) Capital Programme**

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, analysing the significant variances against the original programme.

**RESOLVED**

- (1) that the report be noted;**
- (2) that the Information Communication Technology Strategy be submitted to a future meeting of this Committee.**

**(c) Prudential Code**

Consideration was given to a report of the Treasurer, copies of which had been circulated, detailing the performance of the Authority against the prudential indicators for capital accounting and treasury management.

**RESOLVED that the report be noted.**

**17 BUDGET OUTLOOK 2008/09**

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, informing members of the financial outlook for 2008/09, which would inform the budget process for 2008/09 to 2010/11.

**RESOLVED**

- (1) that the report be noted;**
- (2) that the actions of management in seeking to develop a budget within the constraints detailed in the report be supported;**
- (3) that the Chief Fire Officer submit this report to the Policy and Strategy Committee to be held on 9 November 2007.**

**18 HASSOCKS LANE – UPDATE REPORT**

Further to minute 12, dated 20 September 2007, consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, addressing the issues that members raised at the previous meeting.

**RESOLVED**

- (1) that the Chair, in consultation with the Chair of the Authority and the Opposition Spokesperson, be given delegated power to accept the**

**recommendations of officers and approve the signing of the contract once the full extent of savings options had been identified;**

- (2) that an update report be submitted to each Finance and Resources meeting to enable members to monitor the progress of the project;**
- (3) that a report be submitted to the next meeting of this Committee detailing the consultations carried out in Lenton and Dunkirk.**

## **19 RISK APPETITE**

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, advising members of the level of risk to which the service was exposed and how this compared to the risk appetite set by the Authority.

**RESOLVED that it be noted that the level of risk to which the Authority was exposed was in line with the 'low risk appetite' previously adopted.**

## **20 PARTICIPATION IN THE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY**

Further to minute 40, dated 13 April 2007, consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, advising members of the latest position on membership of the Fire and Rescue Services Mutual Insurance Company and the actions taken by the Head of Finance and Resources.

**RESOLVED**

- (1) that the report be noted;**
- (2) that the actions of officers be approved.**