



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

POLICY AND STRATEGY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

of the meeting of the held on **30 JANUARY 2009** at Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters, Bestwood Lodge from 10.00 am to 11.00 am.

Membership

Councillor D Pulk (Chair)
Councillor J Cottee
Councillor S Fielding
Councillor P Griggs
Councillor P Lally
Councillor K Rigby

Members absent are marked ^

20 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

No declarations of interests were made.

21 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting held on 14 November 2008, copies of which had been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chair.

22 ELECTED MEMBERS WORKSHOP

Consideration was given to the report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, seeking approval for the attendance of three members of the Fire and Rescue Authority at an elected member workshop organised by the Centre for Leadership. The programme included:

- National agendas: shaping the role of Fire and Rescue Authorities;
- Developing people for leading a modern emergency service;
- The role of the Fire and Rescue Authority in the effective use of resources;

- Participation in an Emergency Response Exercise: a political perspective.

RESOLVED that the attendance of three members of the Authority on the Elected Members Workshop organised by the Centre for Leadership be approved.

23 PROPOSED CAPITAL AND REVENUE BUDGETS 2009/2010 TO 2011/2012

Consideration was given to the report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, together with an addendum report detailing amendments to the budget, primarily required as a result of changes in tax-base and surplus/deficit assumptions as well as a minor change to the Capital Programme.

At its meeting on 9 January 2009, the Finance and Resources Committee recommended that the proposed budgets be submitted to the Policy and Strategy Committee with a view to these being further recommended to the Fire and Rescue Authority for approval. Following a robust debate, members endorsed the budget proposals as amended by the addendum.

RESOLVED

- (1) that the Policy and Strategy Committee accept the recommendations of the Finance and Resources Committee, as amended by this committee, following receipt of the additional information in the addendum report;**
- (2) that the proposed Capital and Revenue Budgets 2009/10 to 2011/12 budget reports be recommended to the Fire and Rescue Authority for approval.**

24 EXCLUSION OF THE 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 contained information relating to individuals and to the financial and business affairs of particular individuals and, having regard to all the circumstances, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information, as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

25 SALE OF DUNKIRK FIRE STATION

Consideration was given to the report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, regarding the sale of Dunkirk Fire Station.

RESOLVED that the recommendations as set out in the report be approved.