



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

POLICY AND STRATEGY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

of meeting held on **18 MAY 2011** at Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters, Bestwood Lodge from 10.07 am to 11.25 am.

Membership

	Councillor D Pulk	(Chair)
	Councillor B Cooper	
^	Councillor B Cross	
^	Councillor T Pettengell	
	Councillor K Rigby	
^	Councillor M Wood	
	Councillor S Fielding	(as substitute for Councillor Wood)

Members absent are marked ^

35 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Cross, Pettengell and Wood (on other Council business)

36 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

No declarations of interest were made.

37 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting held on 1 April 2011, copies of which had been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chair.

38 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC

RESOLVED that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the remaining item in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the basis that, having regard to all the circumstances, the public interest in

maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information, as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

39 PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS - UPDATE

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

RESOLVED

- (1) that the advice of the Authority’s legal advisors be considered;**
- (2) that the Chief Fire Officer in conjunction with the Chair of the Fire and Rescue Authority and Lead Opposition Spokesperson be authorised to negotiate a settlement of the dispute or proceed with the litigation;**
- (3) that the Chief Fire Officer report back to the Committee at the earliest opportunity on the negotiations and outcome achieved and that, following conclusion of the matter, an independent review be commissioned by the Chief Fire Officer in conjunction with the Clerk to the Fire and Rescue Authority, and a report be submitted to a meeting of this Committee.**