

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND CITY OF NOTTINGHAM FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

POLICY AND STRATEGY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

of meeting held on <u>7 OCTOBER 2011</u> at Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters, Bestwood Lodge from 9.42 am to 9.57am.

Membership

Councillor D Pulk (Chair)

Councillor S Fielding

Councillor T Pettengell

^ Councillor K Rigby

Councillor D Smith

Councillor G Wheeler

Councillor K Girling (substitute for Councillor Pettengell)

Members absent are marked ^

7 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Pettengell and Rigby.

8 <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS</u>

No declarations of interests were made.

9 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 29 July 2011, copies of which had been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chair.

10 FIRE COVER REVIEW CONSULTATION PROCESS

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, requesting approval of a three week extension to the current consultation on the Fire Cover Review. The Chief Fire Officer highlighted for the meeting details of some of the activities which had taken place since the consultation commenced on 1 August 2011.

There had, however, been some further requests for presentations and requests for additional information. In order that it could be seen that as many views and opinions had been processed as possible and to encourage more people to engage in the process, it was proposed to extend the consultation process by three weeks, making a total of 15 weeks consultation, which would formally end on 13 November 2011. This would ensure that the Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service could report back to the Fire and Rescue Authority on the outcomes of the consultation at its meeting on 16 December 2011

RESOLVED that the progress to date be noted and the consultation period be extended by three weeks, with consultation now ending on 13 November 2011.