



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

POLICY & STRATEGY COMMITTEE

**MINUTES of the meeting held at Fire and Rescue Services HQ, Bestwood Lodge,
Arnold Nottingham NG5 8PD on 17 April 2015 from 11.00 am to 12.36pm**

Membership

Present

Councillor Darrell Pulk (Chair)
Councillor Brian Grocock
Councillor Chris Barnfather
Councillor Gordon Wheeler

Absent

Councillor Jon Collins
Councillor John Wilmott

Councillor Malcolm Wood (Substitute for Councillor Jon Collins)
Councillor John Allin (Substitute for Councillor John Wilmott)

Colleagues, partners and others in attendance:

John Buckley	- Chief Fire Officer
Neil Timms	- Strategic Director for Finance and Resources
Peter Hurford	- Treasurer to the Authority
Catherine Ziane-Pryor	- Governance Officer

28 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Jon Collins (City Council business), Councillor Malcolm Wood substituting
Councillor John Willmott (ill health), Councillor John Allin substituting

29 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Neil Timms, Strategic Director for Finance and Resources, declared a personal interest in agenda item 6, 'Strategic Management Team Re-Structure' and withdrew from the meeting prior to the Committee considering the item.

30 MINUTES

The Committee confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on 7 November 2014 as a true record and they were signed by the Chair.

31 PENSIONS BOARD

Neil Timms, Strategic Director for Finance and Resources, presented the report which is further to the report considered by the full Authority at its meeting on 27 March 2015 (minute 56, Pensions Board).

It has not been possible to establish a joint pensions board with neighbouring Fire and Rescue Authorities within the required time scale so interim arrangements for the operation of a pensions board are sought to fulfil the statutory requirement.

RESOLVED to approve the creation of an interim local pensions board with the constitution provided as Appendix 1 to the report.

32 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

The Committee decided to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of the remaining agenda 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.

33 STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT TEAM RE-STRUCTURE

John Buckley, Chief Fire Officer, presented the report which is further to the report considered by the Committee at its last meeting on 13 March 2015 and contains additional information requested by the Committee at that meeting.

The report proposes that the Strategic Management Team is restructured.

RESOLVED to agree the recommendations set out in the report and added to at the meeting.