

WEST YORKSHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2009 AT 12.30 P.M. IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM, OAKROYD HALL, FIRE SERVICE HEADQUARTERS, BIRKENSHAW

AGENDA

1. Minutes of meeting held on 10 July 2009 (p 1)
2. Urgent items
3. Admission of the Public :

The Committee is asked to consider whether, by resolution, to exclude the public from the meeting during the items of business marked with an 'E' reference, because of the possibility of the disclosure of exempt information.
4. Declarations of interest

To consider any Declaration of Interest in relation to any item of business on the agenda.
5. Attendance at Remembrance Ceremonies, Ypres (p 7)
6. Member Attendance at Conferences (p 11)
7. Calendar of Meetings 2009 / 2010 – amendment (p 14)
8. Fire and Resilience programme in-service management - consultation (p 18)
- E9. Deep Fat Fryers – update (p 49)

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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 28 SEPTEMBER 2009 AT FIRE SERVICE HEADQUARTERS, BIRKENSHAW,

Present: Councillors D Ridgway (in the Chair), P Booth, M Coulson, P Harrand, M Khan and A McKenna

9 MINUTES

That the Minutes of a meeting held on 10 July 2009 be signed by the Chair as a correct record.

10 URGENT ITEMS

None.

11 ADMISSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED

That the public and press be excluded from the meeting during the item of business specified below as it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public and press were present during this item there would be disclosure to them of exempt information of the descriptions specified.

AGENDA ITEM NO.	TITLE OF REPORT	MINUTE NUMBER	Description of exempt information by reference to the paragraph number in Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972
E9	Deep Fat Fryers – update	17	Paragraph 3 – financial or business affairs

12 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest in any matter under consideration at the meeting.

13 ATTENDANCE AT REMEMBRANCE CEREMONIES, YPRES

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer which advised of the receipt of an invitation for the West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service Band, Principal Officers and members of the Authority to attend the Remembrance ceremonies at Ypres, Belgium in November 2009.

It was reported that the band members would be self-funded, and, given this year's emphasis on the Fire Service it was considered appropriate to include the Brigade's colours in the ceremonial party.

Members were advised that that cost of the trip (approximately £3,000) would be met from within existing budgetary provision.

RESOLVED

That approval be given to the attendance of the following as representatives of the Authority;

Councillor D Ridgway	Authority chair
ACO M Redfearn	
AM B Robson	Chair of the WYFRS band
SM R Vetì	Brigade Colours

14 MEMBER ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCES

The Director of Corporate Resources submitted a report which invited consideration of the attendance of Members at two Conferences as follows;

- Fire Service College, Leadership workshop 30 Oct – 1 Nov 2009
- CFOA Innovations event 7 – 8 Dec 2009

It was reported that the cost of attendance could be met from within existing budgetary provision.

RESOLVED

- (i) That approval be given to attendance at the following conferences on a 1:1:1 basis;

- Fire Service College Centre for Leadership 30 Oct – 1 Nov 2009
"Practical challenges facing Fire Authorities"

- CFOA Innovations, Hilton Hotel, Leicester
"Leadership in Equality"

7 – 8 Dec 2009

and

- (ii) That the apportionment of places on a 1:1:1 basis be reviewed after twelve months.

15 CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2009 / 10 - AMENDMENT

Members considered a report of the Director of Corporate Resources which proposed an amendment to the approved calendar of meetings 2009 / 2010.

Following the approval of the calendar in April 2009 and the subsequent receipt of the Local Government Association calendar of meetings, it became apparent that there were occasions when meetings coincided.

To enable Members to attend the maximum number of Local Government Association Fire Forum meetings throughout the course of the year, it was proposed to amend the calendar in respect of the February budget meeting and the Annual Meeting to be held in June 2010.

RESOLVED

That approval be given to the revised calendar of meetings for 2009 / 2010 as follows;

FRIDAY PERSONNEL & TRAINING COMMITTEE	FRIDAY FINANCE & RESOURCES COMMITTEE	FRIDAY AUDIT COMMITTEE	FRIDAY AUTHORITY (19 June 2009)
10 July 2009	17 July 2009	18 Sept 2009	4 September 2009
25 Sept 2009	16 October 2009	23 October 2009	18 December 2009
4 Dec 2009	29 January 2010	22 January 2010	19 February 2010
5 February 2010	5 March 2010	19 March 2010	30 April 2010
26 March 2010	23 April 2010	11 June 2010	25 June 2010 (AGM)

16 FIRE AND RESILIENCE PROGRAMME – IN-SERVICE MANAGEMENT - CONSULTATION

The Director of Corporate Resources submitted a report which proposed a response to the Communities and Local Government (CLG) consultation paper on Fire and

Resilience programme in-service management.

The response included the need to ensure democratic accountability and taxpayer value for money.

RESOLVED

That the formal response to the CLG consultation paper on Fire and Resilience programme in-service management be approved as detailed in the report now submitted.

17 DEEP FAT FRYERS - UPDATE

(This item was considered as exempt information under Schedule 12A(3 and 5) of the Local Government Act 1972 –financial or business affairs and legal privilege).

Consideration was given to a report of the Director of Fire Safety and Community Relations which advised of progress on action taken to resolve the potential safety problem identified with the Kenwood DF310 issued by the Brigade.

RESOLVED

- (i) That advice be given to recipients of the DF310 deep fat fryer that the Authority is satisfied as to the suitability of the DF310 for its intended use; and
- (ii) That, in view of the current evidence and external specialist legal advice, the Authority does not commence litigation against the product supplier.

Chair