

WEST MIDLANDS FIRE AND CIVIL DEFENCE AUTHORITY

27th September, 2004

1. **INSTITUTION OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

Report of the Chief Fire Officer and Clerk

RECOMMENDED

THAT the report to be noted.

2. **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

This report is submitted to inform the Authority of the institution of legal proceedings for failure to comply with the Explosives Act 1975.

3. **BACKGROUND**

3.1 For failure to comply with the requirements of the Explosives Act 1975, it has been decided, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair, to instigate legal proceedings in respect of the following premises:-

- (a) 278 Lichfield Road, Mere Green, Sutton Coldfield, Birmingham, B74 2UG. C/o Baljinder Singh, 7 Tamarisk Close, Claines, Worcester, WR3 7LG;
- (b) A – Z Bikes, 836 Stratford Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham, B11 4BS;
- (C) 1 Florence Road, Wylde Green, Sutton Coldfield, Birmingham, B73 5NJ;
- (D) Fassel News, 4 Highfield Road, Alum Rock, Birmingham, B8 3QX;
- (E) Clearance Store, 1160 Warwick Road, Acocks Green, Birmingham, B27 6BP;
- (F) Moseley Trading Warehouse, Hill Street, Coventry.

- 3.2 The detailed circumstances surrounding the breaches of the legislation have been reported to the Chair and Vice-Chair. A copy can be provided to any Member of the Authority on request.

4. **EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no equality and diversity implications arising from this report.

5. **CORPORATE AIMS SUPPORTED**

The principal corporate aim supported by the information in this report is as follows:

1. To meet the Authority's statutory duties, standards and expectations.

6. **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

The course of action recommended in this report does not raise issues which should be drawn to the attention of the Authority's Monitoring Officer.

7. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Any costs involved would be met from existing budgets.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Letters to the Chair and Vice-Chair signed on 24th June, and 23rd July, 2004.

F J E SHEEHAN
CHIEF FIRE OFFICER

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CLERK