

WEST MIDLANDS FIRE AND CIVIL DEFENCE AUTHORITY

14th February, 2005

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 Fire Precautions (Workplace) Regulations 1997 (as amended).

3. **BACKGROUND**

3.1 For failure to comply with an enforcement notice issued in pursuance of the Fire Precautions (Workplace) Regulations, 1997 (as amended), it has been decided, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair, to instigate legal proceedings in respect of the premises at Traditional Housewares Ltd, Venture Court, Broadlands, Wolverhampton, WV10 6TB.

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

Report of the Chief Fire Officer to the Chair and Vice Chair approved on 15th November 2005.

F J E SHEEHAN
CHIEF FIRE OFFICER

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CLERK