

Notes of the Policy Planning Forum

9th June, 2005 at 10.30 a.m.
at the Fire Service Headquarters, Birmingham

Present: **Members of the Authority**

Councillors Birbeck, Bowen, G Davies, S Davis, Douglas-Maul, Eustace, Foster, Jones, Hinton, Hogarth, Howard, Hussain, Idrees, Lawrence, Matchet, Mulhall, Rogers, Ryder, Tagger, Underhill, Wallace and Ward.

Officers: **West Midlands Fire Service**

Chief Fire Officer – F Sheehan.
Deputy Chief Fire Officer – V Randeniya.
Assistant Chief Officers – A Brandon,
J Brown and R Hulland and M Park.
M. Griffiths – Finance Officer.

Clerk to the Authority

G Wythes.

Treasurer to the Authority

L Bateman.

Apologies: Councillors Jackson and Pitt

12/05 **Comprehensive Performance Assessment**

The Director (Performance and Planning) gave feedback to Members on the recent Comprehensive Performance Assessment, the lessons learned and the indications regarding the likely outcome of the assessment.

The preparation for the assessment and the site visit had been an intense period for Members and the CPA Team. The assessment report had been moderated, and the draft report had been received from the Audit Commission on 6th June, 2005. Comments were being collated for return to the Audit Commission. It was anticipated that the final report would be received shortly, and would be published on the Audit Commission web site on 28th July, 2005.

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The CPA results would be communicated widely both internally and externally.

13/05 Best Value Performance and Business Plan

The Director of Administration gave an overview of the contents of the draft Best Value Performance and Business Plan to be considered by the Executive Committee later in the day.

(Meeting ended at 11.30 a.m.)

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