West Midlands Fire and Rescue Authority

You are summoned to attend the Annual Meeting of the West Midlands Fire and Rescue Authority to be held at 11.30 a.m. on Monday, 26th June, 2006 at the Fire Service Headquarters, Lancaster Circus Queensway, Birmingham for the purpose of transacting the following business:-

Agenda - Public Session

(Reports attached unless otherwise stated)

- 1. To elect the Chair of the Authority for the ensuing year.
- 2. To elect the Vice-Chair of the Authority for the ensuing year.
- 3. To receive apologies for absence (if any).
- 4. Declaration by members of any interests in contracts or other matters.
- 5. Chair's Announcements.
- 6. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 24th April, 2006 as a correct record.
- 7. Membership of the Authority 2006/2007.
- 8. Questions on the Discharge of Functions.
- 9. Constitution of Committees and Panels, Terms of Reference and Member Portfolios 2006/2007.
- 10. Political Balance and Membership of Committees and Panels 2006/2007.
- 11. Appointment of Representatives to Serve on Other Bodies.
- 12. Delegations to Chief Officers.
- 13. Internal Audit Report.
- 14. Statement of the System of Internal Control 2005/06.
- 15. Statement of Accounts 2005/06.
- 16. Backward Looking Annual Efficiency Statement.
- 17. Monitoring of Finances.

- 18. Analysis of Ethnic Origin of Staff working in West Midlands Fire Service.
- 19. Institution of Legal Proceedings.
- 20. Outcome of Litigation Proceedings against the Authority by AP (UK) Ltd, Wolverhampton.
- 21. Outstanding Business.
- 22. Minutes of the Executive Committee dated 10th and 22nd May 2006 [attached] and 12th June 2006 [to follow].
- 23. Notes of the Policy Planning Forum dated 22nd May and 12th June 2006.
- 24. Minutes of the West Midlands Regional Management Board dated 5th June, 2006.

25. Exclusion of the Public and Press:-

Chair to move:

'That the public and press be excluded from the rest of the meeting. This is to avoid the possible disclosure of exempt information under Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, for the reasons stated on the agenda.'

Agenda - Private Session

(Reports circulated to Members and Officers only)

- 26. Disposal of former Fire Station, Tower Street, Dudley. (Exempt information relating to the financial and business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information))
- 27. Supply Chain Modernisation Progress Report (Exempt information relating to any individual)
- 28. Proposed Partnership with St John Ambulance to refurbish the garages located at Sutton Coldfield Fire Station to provide a lecture/training facility and the interim letting of Fire Station facilities. (Exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information))

Dated 16th June 2006

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