

Notes of the Policy Planning Forum

18 July 2011 at 9.30 am
at Fire Service Headquarters, Birmingham

Present: **Members of the Authority**

Councillors Alden, Ali Khan, Andrew, Chambers, Clinton, Davies, Davis, Docker, Douglas-Maul, Edwards, Foster, Griffiths, Hogarth, Idrees, O'Neill, Ryder, Sandy, Singh, Spence, Stevenson, Tranter, Turner and Walsh.
Mr Ager and Mr Topliss.

Officers: **West Midlands Fire Service**

Chief Fire Officer – V Randeniya.
A Brandon, M Griffiths, P Loach, D Johnson, P Mika and D Walton.

Clerk and Monitoring Officer

S Hancock.

Apologies: Councillors Delaney, Eustace and Finnegan and Mr Denny

15/11 Chief Fire Officer's and Chair's Announcements

The Chief Fire Officer reported the following:-

- 11 bicycles had been stolen from Tipton Fire Station. The Police had been informed and were currently investigating.
- The Watch Commander at West Bromwich Fire Station had sadly passed away unexpectedly at aged 51. Members held a minute silence as a mark of respect.

16/11 Annual Member Update

As part of their induction to the Authority, new members were given information on the following topics:-

- Overview of roles and responsibilities including the Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004 and the National Framework.

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- Prevention, protection, response and partnerships.
- Support and development of members.
- Business continuity plans.

Existing members were also in attendance.

(Meeting ended at 12.30 pm)

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