Minutes of the Executive Committee

15th December, 2014 at 10.00 am at Fire Service Headquarters, Vauxhall Road, Birmingham

Present: Councillor Edwards (Chair);

Councillor Idrees (Vice-Chair);

Councillors Atwal Singh, Davis, Mottram JP, Quinnen,

Sealey and Shackleton.

Apologies: Councillors Aston, Douglas-Maul and Finnegan.

Observers: Councillors Clinton, Collingswood, Eustace, Phillips JP

and Spence;

Mr Ager.

17/14 **Minutes**

In respect of Minute No. 16/14 (Proposed High Speed (HS) Rail 2 Route – Update 2), the Deputy Chief Fire Officer updated members on the developments with HS2 negotiations.

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 9th June, 2014, be approved as a correct record.

18/14 **Exclusion of the Public and Press**

Resolved that the public and press be excluded from the rest of the meeting 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 relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

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19/14 Planned Procurement Exercise for 2015/16 – Provision of a Hydraulic Platform Vehicle

In accordance with Standing Order 1/8 of the Authority's Procurement Procedures, approval was sought to proceed with a tender exercise for the provision of a Hydraulic Platform Vehicle.

Whilst the total contract value was above the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU) threshold for Supply, it was proposed that the contract would be let by way of direct award using The Consortium Framework for Specialist Vehicles. There was only one supplier on the Framework for this product and that company had offered to hold the current price if an order was placed by 18 December, 2014. This would achieve a saving of approximately £35,000. The vehicle offered would be the same specification as the current fleet of operational hydraulic platforms alleviating the need for additional training for firefighters, transport engineering workshops' technicians and consolidating maintenance and repair costs.

Members were also informed that the specification for the vehicle was a Volvo chassis, with Bronto bodywork and lift reaching 32 metres.

Resolved that approval be given to proceed with the tender exercise for the provision of a Hydraulic Platform Vehicle during 2015/16.

(The meeting ended at 10.10 am)

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