

MERSEYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

ASSET MANAGEMENT AND SHARED SERVICES COMMITTEE

29TH APRIL 2010

PRESENT: Councillor Sharon Sullivan (Chair)
Councillors Ted Grannell, Jack Colbert, Gerry Ellis
and Ken Roughley (Lesley Rennie Alternate)

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Denise Roberts, and Independent
Member Linda Phillips

**Apologies for absence were received from:
Councillors Lesley Rennie and Tony Newman**

NOT PRESENT: Councillors Eddie Clein and Andrew Blackburn

1. Preliminary Matters

The Committee considered if there were any declarations of interest, matters of urgency or items that may require the exclusion of the press and public because of the possibility of the disclosure of exempt information.

It was determined that:

- (a) There were no declarations of interest in relation to any item on the agenda;
- (b) There were no additional items to be included for discussion at the meeting; and
- (c) The following item was exempt, requiring the exclusion of the press and public:

Agenda Item 7 – Telecommunications masts at Bromborough, Croxteth and Wallasey.

This Report is Exempt under Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

Minutes of the Previous Meetings

2. Minutes of Special Authority Meeting 25th February 2010

Members noted the minutes of the Special Authority Meeting held on 25th February 2010, dedicated to PFI, which had been signed accordingly by the Chair of the Authority at the full meeting held on 18th March 2010.

3. Minutes of Asset Management and Shared Services Committee

Members considered and approved the minutes of the meeting held on 10th December 2009, as a true record and the Chair of the Committee signed them accordingly.

4. Vesty Accommodation Project

The Executive Director of Resources gave a verbal update to Members regarding progress made on the Vesty Accommodation Project.

Resolved that:

- (a) Progress to date with the Vesty Accommodation Project be noted.
- (b) Members accept the invitation to a visit to the Vesty Accommodation by the Executive Director of Resources.

5. Private Finance Initiative – Progress Report for the Period December 2009 – March 2010 (CFO/065/10)

Resolved that:

The good progress be considered and noted on the North West Fire & Rescue Services PFI Project following review of the progress of the period December 2009 to March 2010.

6. Electrical Power Outage Strategy (CFO/066/10)

Members received a power point presentation by the ICT Director then considered report CFO/066/10 concerning the ability to be independent from National Electrical Power Grid in times of power outage.

Resolved that:

- (a) The agreed power strategy be noted.
- (b) The purchase of two additional UPS (Uninterrupted Power Supply Units) be approved to 'clean' the power supply to the Service Headquarters Server Room, the Operational Support Room (OSR) and the conferencing facilities.
- (c) The purchase and installation of a standby generator be approved to power all of Service Headquarters in the event of a power outage, as outlined in section 19 option 3 of the report.
- (d) An update at a later date with regard to alternate power/energy be provided to Members.

Members of the press and public were asked to leave the meeting.

**7. Telecommunications Masts at Bromborough, Croxteth and Wallasey
(CFO/071/10)**

This report contains EXEMPT information by virtue of paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

Members considered report CFO/071/10 regarding telecommunication masts currently at Bromborough, Croxteth and Wallasey Fire Stations, and whether they wished for the masts to remain at a reduced income.

Resolved that:

- (a) Members were not happy to accept the masts at a reduced rental and instructed Officers to approach the company once again and to attempt to negotiate a better deal with WHP Wilkinson Helsby who are acting on behalf of Hutchinson 3G UK Limited and T-Mobile (UK) Limited; and
- (b) Delegated Authority to Officers in consultation with the Chair and Party Leaders to accept any further improved offers.

Other Business

Acknowledgement

Councillor Sullivan (Chair) wished to note her thanks and appreciation on behalf of herself and her son, Harry, for all the cards, prayers, messages and phone calls offering them support following the death of her husband, Jack. This had given them both comfort at this sad time. Councillor Sullivan gave special thanks to ACFO Evans for saluting Jack at his funeral.

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