

Lead Member Feedback Form

2013/14

Lead Members Name: Cllr Tony Newman

Lead Member Role Title: Collaboration & Community Partnerships

Supporting Officers Name: Stewart Woods, Facilities Manager

Number of meetings take place between Lead Member and Supporting Officer during the year: Three meetings have been held over the year,

At the first meeting held between the Lead Member and the relevant Officer Support, was a Forward Work Plan devised, and reviewed and updated at each subsequent meeting during the year? _____

Please outline nature of these meetings and any agreed outcomes, including any information, guidance and updates which have been provided to you with regard to developments in the area for which you are appointed Lead Member.

an update on all major projects and site visits have been carried out during each meeting.

17th Oct 2013 – Site Tour of the Construction site of JCC and 2 storey Refurb

14th Jan 2014 – Site Tour of the New office SHQ and JCC

26th Feb 2014 – Update of Station Mergers Project

Details of Major Projects

JCC & 2 Storey Refresh

- New upstairs office completed on time and staff moved in 3rd march 2014
- Partial completion of new build accepted and staff relocated from the 'shining Corridor' into new build on the 17th March – 1 week later then last reported due to problem with Building control sign off and de misting system.
- Works on going with externals
- Shining corridor now under KIER' possession and under construction
- Police ICT team have start works on site

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- Land acquired and Architects appointed
- Discussion on going with police who are interested in coming in

Collaboration with Private Partners

- Private company interested in share space in Vesty 1 Workshop – project progressing
- Private company interested in share space in Prescott

Prescot

- Site at Manchester Road identified.
- Knowsley BC are willing to enter into a long term lease for the land to MFRS
- Development agreement to be drawn up
- Police are interested in coming in (but on a small scale only)
- NWAS not (currently) interested
- Private partner also interested in coming in with us
- Report to Authority 6 May
- Consultation for 12 weeks with residents of Huyton, Whiston & Prescot
- Report back to Authority on consultation outcomes in September
- Start on site before end of 2014

St. Helens

- Several sites under consideration
- Some highways issues with most favoured location
- Meeting held with Council officers in attempt to resolve but still issues to overcome
- Looking at alternatives & further meetings planned
- Probably won't be able to confirm site for a few months
- Then report to Authority with business case
- Consultation
- Report back

Wirral

- Potential site identified in Greasby (ideal location)
- However site looks too small & new build would have to incorporate existing buildings (library, community hall)
- Additional site identified on Upton By Pass
- NWAS very interested in coming in
- Latest information is that site may not be available
- Asked Wirral if any other land available
- Currently most problematic of three merger options
- Fall back may be to close West Kirby & rebuild Upton (last resort)

Have any reports been written in relation to this area of work, if so please confirm the title and meeting which the report was submitted to?

Not specifically but numerous reports have been written reference Station mergers and JCC

What involvement did you have in the reporting process?

None

What were the outcomes as a result of the report?

Have you been involved in any of the Authority's Task and Finish Group's? If so please detail how your Lead Member experience has assisted you as part of the Task and Finish Group.

Yes looking at sickness and absenteeism of staff working for the Authority, however this is not specifically in relation to my Lead Member role

What other meetings within Merseyside Fire and Rescue Authority or Partners, do you attend which have an influence on your Lead Member Area?

N/A

How has attending the above meetings assisted you in your role?

N/A

How has undertaking the Role as Lead Members enhanced your level of knowledge of this particular service area?

N/A

Please detail any lessons learnt (eg what you would have liked to include or done differently)?

N/A

What has been the main benefit to your appointment in this role?

N/A

Any other comments you would like to add

Site visit to be arranged to view any potential sites for the station mergers in Wirral and St Helens.

Support Officer Comments:

Have meet regular with Cllr Newman and kept him abreast of the developments to do with any major projects. Further site meeting will be arranged once sites have been identified for any possible mergers and further site tours of the new jcc and SHQ will be arranged.