COMMERCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

(Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority)

19 October 2011

Present:-

Councillors Healey (Chairman), Boyd, Dyke, Gribble, Mills, Randall Johnson and Smith.

*CSC/8. Minutes

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 2 September 2011 be signed as a correct record.

*CSC/9. <u>Declarations of Interest</u>

Members of the Committee were asked to consider whether they had any personal/personal and prejudicial interests in items as set out on the agenda for this meeting and to declare any such interests at this time.

No interests were declared.

*CSC/10. Draft Articles of Association for Red One Ltd

The Committee received for information a report of the Director of People and Organisational Development (CSC/11/2) that set out the draft Articles of Association for Red One.

The temporary Trading Company Project Officer advised the Committee that the Articles of Association was a generic document at this stage covering, amongst other matters, the interpretation and limitation on liabilities, the Director's powers and responsibilities, the details on shares and their distribution and the arrangements for decision making by shareholders.

In response to a question, the temporary Trading Company Project Officer confirmed that Red One was established as a company limited by shares with the Fire and Rescue Authority as the sole shareholder.

*CSC/11. <u>Draft Contract between Red One Ltd and Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority</u>

The Committee received for information a report of the Director of People and Organisational Development (CSC/11/3) that set out the draft contract between Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority and Red One. This document would be amended to reflect the Authority's specific requirements in its relationship with Red One and submitted to the Committee for approval in due course.

*CSC/12. Exclusion of the Press and Public

RESOLVED that, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended) to the Act, namely information relating to the financial or business affairs of the Authority.

CSC/13. Draft Business Case with Falck

(An item taken in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 during consideration of which the press and public were excluded from the meeting).

The Committee considered a report of the Director of People and Organisational Development (CSC/11/4) that set out an overview and summary of the proposed business plan between Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority and Falck. The summary Business Plan gave an overview of the parties involved within this trading arrangement, the Vision and Mission Statement, the scope of the research undertaken together with the key findings and market opportunities for trading that had been identified as a result.

RESOLVED that it be recommended to the Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority:

- (i) That the findings of the draft summary Business Plan (as set out at Appendix A of report CSC/11/4) be approved, and;
- (ii) That progression to stage 2 of the Business Plan be agreed.

*DENOTES DELEGATED MATTER WITH POWER TO ACT