

COMMERCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

(Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority)

2 December 2011

Present:-

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

Apologies:-

Councillors Gribble and Randall Johnson.

***CSC/14. Minutes**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 19 October 2011 be signed as a correct record.

***CSC/15. Declarations of Interest**

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 declare any such interests at this time.

No interests were declared.

***CSC/16. Articles of Association for Red One Ltd**

The Committee received for information a report of the Director of People and Organisational Development (CSC/11/5) that referred to the Articles of Association for Red One Ltd.

The Director of People and Organisational Development reported that further work was needed to modify both the draft Articles and the Contract between the Authority and Red One Ltd to ensure that these were modified to take into account any points resulting from the enactment of the Localism Act recently. Reference was also made to a diagram setting out the Governance Framework for Red One Ltd., copies of which were circulated at the meeting. This indicated that there would be an overarching Business Case produced from which the Annual Business Plan for Red One would emanate, so providing the mechanism for the delivery of the associated projects. The Business Case and Plan needed to be in place in time for the Annual Budget setting for the Authority and it was intended that these documents would be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee for consideration.

***CSC/17. Contract between Red One Ltd and Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority**

The Committee received for information a report of the Director of People and Organisational Development (CSC/11/6) that referred to the position in respect of the contract between Red One Ltd and Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority.

The Director of People and Organisational Development reported that further consideration of the contract would be deferred to the next meeting of the Committee.

NB. MINUTE *CSC/16 ABOVE ALSO REFERS.

***CSC/18. 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 items of business on the grounds that they involve 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 and business affairs of the Authority.

***CSC/19. Training Academy Update**

(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 received for information a report of the Director of People and Organisational Development (CSC/11/7) that provided an update on the progress to date in respect of the Training Academy and Schools within this, together with details of plans for the future in terms of course development and potential customers.

***CSC/20. Update on Current Commercial Leads/Opportunities**

(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 received for information a presentation given by the Director of People and Organisational Development at the meeting that provided an update on the current position with regard to commercial leads and opportunities for the Service in terms of its trading activities.

*** DENOTES DELEGATED MATTER WITH POWER TO ACT**

The meeting started at 10.00hours and finished at 11.15hours.