

**COMMERCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
(Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority)

6 November 2014

Present:

Councillors Healey, Ball, Edmunds, Leaves and Randall Johnson.

Also in attendance in accordance with Standing Order 36:

Councillor Prior-Sankey.

Apologies:

Councillors Dyke and Woodman.

**\*CSC/14.      Minutes**

**RESOLVED** that of the meeting held on 4 September 2014 be signed as a correct record.

**\*CSC/15.      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 involves 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 and other companies.

**\*CSC/16.      Financial Update**

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

The Treasurer reported, for information, on the financial performance of commercial activities for the period April to September 2014. Turn-over was in excess of that for the same period in the previous financial year but was below the projected target figure. Gross profit was greater than the same period in the previous financial year and expenses less, with both figures out performing the projected target.

**\*CSC/17.      Working In Overseas Environments**

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

The Committee considered a report of the Director of People and Commercial Services (CSC/14/8) identifying the policy and procedures followed by Red One Ltd. in the assessment and implementation of commercial projects overseas and/or in potentially hostile working environments. The policy and procedures were designed to both identify and where necessary mitigate any risks associated with such activities.

**RESOLVED** that the procedure and methodology as outlined in report CSC/14/8 for the assessment of commercial projects, particularly those in overseas locations, and for managing the attendant risk that may accompany such work, be endorsed.

**\*CSC/18. Commercial Update October 2014**

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

The Committee received for information a report of the Commercial Business Development Manager (CSC/14/9) on commercial leads and opportunities currently being progressed.

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

The meeting started at 10.00hours and finished at 11.25hours