

Report to: EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS
SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

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Report of: DIRECTOR OF LEGAL AND
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Report Title: ISSUES IN RELATION TO JOINT AUTHORITIES

Non Confidential:

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Purpose:

The purpose of the report is to advise of appointments made by the Council to the joint authorities, any decisions taken by the joint authorities since the last meeting which impact on the Authority and the contributions made by the Authority to each joint authority

Recommendations:

The comments of the Committee are requested.

Background Doc(s):

Summary:

(on its own page

with background docs)

The report sets out the appointments made by the Council to the joint authorities, gives details of any decisions taken by them impacting on the Authority and the contributions made to each joint authority.

Introduction

The Council, at its Annual Meeting held on 21st May, 2008, appointed the following Councillors as its nominated spokespersons/representatives on the joint authorities

AGMA Executive	-	Leader of the Council
AGMA Statutory Functions Committee	-	Councillor Mrs Thomas Councillor Morris (Deputy)
GMPTA	-	Councillor Critchley (Nominated spokesperson) Councillor Chadwick Councillor Rock
GM Fire and Rescue Authority	-	Councillor Lord (Nominated spokesperson) Councillor Ayub Councillor Hollick
GM Police Authority	-	Councillor Spencer (Nominated spokesperson)
GM Waste Disposal Authority	-	Councillor Darvesh (Nominated spokesperson) Councillor R. Barrow

Meetings of Joint Authorities

Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Authority

There was a meeting of the Authority held on 4th September, 2008, but there were no items specifically relating to Bolton.

Greater Manchester Police Authority

A meeting of the GM Police Finance, Assets and Technology Resources Committee was held on 10th October, 2008, when the following applications from Bolton based organisations had been successful in attracting awards from the Police Property Act Fund(which is made up of monies received by the police from property confiscated by Order of Court and then sold):-

Seven Stars	£500 to purchase equipment, kits and running costs for netball club.
Sunnyside Community Development Group	£450 to purchase notice boards for community centre and park
Halliwell Youth Forum	£500 for equipment for young people's boxing sessions.

A copy of the report is attached for information.

GM Waste Disposal Authority

A meeting of the Greater Manchester Waste Disposal Authority was held on 24th October, 2008, and although there were no items specific to Bolton on the agenda, enclosed are copies of reports

relating to 3 items which may be of general interest to Members:-

- Treasury Limits 2008/09 to 2010/11 Increase Re Potential PFI Funding;
- Joint Waste Development Plan Document: Stage 2 Issues and Options Consultation; and
- WRAP Support for a Greater Manchester Waste Prevention Project.

GM Passenger Transport Authority

A meeting of GMPTA was held on 17th October, 2008, when a report relating to the Bolton Smartcard Scheme was discussed. A copy of the report is attached.

Contributions to Joint Authorities

For 2008/09 the Council made the following contributions to the joint authorities

	£000
GM Police Authority	10,280
GM Fire and Rescue Authority	4,091
GMPTA	16,548
GM Waste Disposal Authority	11,785

Recommendations

That the Committee continue to receive reports on the proceedings of the Joint Authorities insofar as they affect Bolton Council.