

**Minutes of the meeting of West Mercia Supplies Joint Committee held at Westgate, Bridgnorth Monday 24 September 2012 at 11.00am.**

**Members Present:**

Herefordshire Council	P Price (Chairman)
Shropshire Council	S Jones M Owen
Telford & Wrekin Council	W McClements
Worcestershire County Council	A I Hardman

**Officers Present:**

West Mercia Energy	N Evans
Audit Commission	G Patterson J Hill
Shropshire Council	R Musson J Walton N Denton E Marshall
Worcestershire County Council	M Howard

**46. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor S. Charmley (Shropshire Council), Councillor Arnold England (Telford and Wrekin Council) and Councillor Liz Eyre (Worcestershire County Council).

**47. DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

None.

**48. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2012 be approved as a correct record.

**49. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE REPORT 2011/12**

Mr G. Patterson (Audit Commission) presented the 2011/12 West Mercia Supplies Joint Committee Annual Governance report. Mr Patterson confirmed that he planned to issue an audit report including an unqualified opinion on the financial statements.

Mr Patterson referred to the recommendations contained within the report,

during which he highlighted that his reference to the requirement to undertake an annual going concern review was not due to any underlying concern about the present governance arrangements. The Treasurer explained that an ongoing review of whether the business was viable would be undertaken anyway and if at any point during the year there were thought to be any problems the review would be undertaken at that point.

**RESOLVED:**

- (a) That the Annual Governance Report be received
- (b) That the Treasurer's Letter of Representation be approved.

**50. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2011/12 AND ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2011/12**

The Treasurer presented the Statutory Statement of Accounts 2011/12 and the Annual Governance Statements 2011/12.

**RESOLVED:**

- (a) That the Letter of Representation to be submitted by the Treasurer be approved.
- (b) That the finalised Statement of Accounts 2011/12 to be signed by the Chairman be approved.
- (c) That the Annual Governance Statement 2011/12 to be signed by the Chairman be approved.

**51. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

**RESOLVED:** That under Section 100(A)(A4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded during the consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they might involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12(A) of the Act.

**52. EXEMPT MINUTES**

(The full version of Minute 52 constitutes exempt information under the Access to Information Rules and has accordingly been withheld from publication.)

**RESOLVED:** That the Exempt Minutes of the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2012 be approved as a correct record.

**53. DISTRIBUTION OF SURPLUS**

(The full version of Minute 53 constitutes exempt information under the Access to Information Rules and has accordingly been withheld from publication.)

**54. FLEXIBLE ENERGY SUB-COMMITTEE**

(The full version of Minute 54 constitutes exempt information under the Access to Information Rules and has accordingly been withheld from publication.)

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meetings of the Flexible Energy Sub-Committee held on 4 July 2012 be approved.

**55. WEST MERCIA ENERGY TRADING PERFORMANCE TO DATE**

(The full version of Minute 55 constitutes exempt information under the Access to Information Rules and has accordingly been withheld from publication.)

**RESOLVED:** That the content of the report be noted.

**56. WEST MERCIA ENERGY – FUTURE GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS**

(The full version of Minute 56 constitutes exempt information under the Access to Information Rules and has accordingly been withheld from publication.)

**RESOLVED:** That the content of the report be noted.

**57. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**RESOLVED:** That the first meeting of the West Mercia Energy Joint Committee be held on Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> February 2012.