

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT YORKSHIRE AND HUMBER ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: 14 JULY 2006

Present/Apologies: See Attached

ACTION

1. Apologies

These were noted.

2. ALA Draft Annual Report and Summary Accounts

Stephen Parnaby introduced the Draft Annual Report for the period 2005/6 and advised Members that the content was agreed at the Association of Local Authorities/Local Government Management Board meeting on 25 May 2006. Members **approved** the copy content.

Business and Communications Manager

He explained that the merger of the ALA/LGMB, to form Local Government Yorkshire and Humber, had been successful. As a result, the organisation was better able to represent local authorities within Yorkshire and Humber.

It was **agreed** that the Annual Report would be published via the website.

3. LGMB Draft Annual Report and Summary Accounts

Tony Cairns outlined the activity undertaken by the LGMB and the Employers' Forum during the period 2005/6. In particular, he referenced work undertaken as a result of equal pay negotiations.

4. Statement of Accounts 2006/07

The consolidated YHA/ALA Statement of Accounts was presented for approval. Cllr Parnaby advised members that the Accounts related to the period prior to the merger, which was why they were presented as YHA/ALA consolidated accounts.

Business and Communications Manager

In line with the YHA/ALA Constitution, the accounts had previously been agreed by the Assembly Executive Board who had recommended that these be presented to Members for approval. Members **approved** the accounts.

It was reported that the LGMB Statement of Accounts had been approved by the Employers' Committee earlier in the day.

5. **LGYH Workplan – 2006/7**

All Members and Chief Executives in the region had been consulted about the proposed workplan for Local Government Yorkshire and Humber. Business and Communications Manager

As a result, the Business Plan was produced. This highlighted:

- The promised made by Local Government Yorkshire and Humber.
- The priorities to be worked on.
- How the promises would be delivered.

Members **agreed** the Business Plan for the period 2006-07.

6. Schedule of Meetings 2006/7

Members **agreed** the schedule of meetings for 2006/7.

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7. Appointment of Honorary Officers – 2006/7

The following appointments were **approved:**

- Treasurer Steve Walmsley, Local Government Yorkshire and Humber.
- Secretary Stella Jackson, Local Government Yorkshire and Humber.
- Auditor Ian Pickup & Co.
- Regional Secretary Steve Walmsley, Local Government Yorkshire and Humber.

8. LGYH Executive Board

Members **agreed** the following sub-regional appointments:

- Humber Stephen Parnaby (Conservative)
- North Yorkshire Arthur Barker (Conservative)
- West Yorkshire Kris Hopkins (Conservative)
- South Yorkshire Roger Stone (Labour)
- Plus the Chair of the Assembly Peter Box (Labour)

To comply with the constitution, a Liberal Democrat balancing place had been sought. Carl Minns from Kingston-upon-Hull had been appointed. This appointment was **confirmed.** Business and Communications Manager It had previously been agreed that for continuity and consistency purposes, Stephen Parnaby would continue as Chair of LGYH for a further year and Arthur Barker would continue as Vice Chair. This was **confirmed**.

It was reported that the Chair and Vice Chair of the Employers' Committee also had a seat on the Executive Board. The following appointments were, therefore, **confirmed**:

- Tony Cairns (Chair)
- Mark Crane (Vice Chair)

The name of the Fire Authority representative was awaited.

10. YHA Regional Executive Board — Local Authority Rural Nomination

Following a request to LGYH by the Yorkshire and Humber Assembly, local authority Leaders and Chief Executives were invited to nominate a local authority Leader to represent rural interests on the new YHA Regional Executive Board.

One nomination was received for Cllr John Weighell, North Yorkshire County Council, to undertake this role. This was **agreed.**