

**Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority**

**9 June 2010**

**Item 4**

**Appointment of Treasurer**

**Report of The Clerk**

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**1 Introduction**

1.1 Under the Hampshire Fire Services (Combination Scheme) Order 1996 which established the Authority, there is a requirement for the Authority to appoint a Treasurer.

**2 Current and proposed Treasurer**

2.1 Jon Pittam, as County Treasurer of Hampshire County Council, was appointed to this role when the Authority was established. Members will be aware that he retired on 8 June 2010. In practice the role of the Chief Financial Officer for the Authority, subject to the Treasurer's overall scrutiny and personal responsibilities, such as signing the final accounts, has been carried out by the Deputy .

2.2 It is therefore necessary to appoint a new Treasurer. A new County Treasurer has been appointed by Hampshire County Council, Carolyn Williamson who is currently the Deputy Chief Executive and Executive Director of Resources at Southampton City Council. She is due to start on 17 August 2010 and it is recommended that she be appointed as Treasurer from that date.

2.3 Sarah Pook, the current Deputy County Treasurer for Hampshire County Council and Deputy Treasurer of this Authority has been appointed to act up as County Treasurer for the interim. It is therefore recommended that she be appointed as Treasurer until 17 August and it is anticipated that she will be the Treasurer's representative at meetings beyond that date carrying out the role of the Chief Financial Officer for the Authority.

## **Recommendations**

- 1 That Sarah Pook be appointed as Treasurer to the Authority until 17 August 2010 .
- 2 That Carolyn Williamson be appointed as Treasurer from 17 August 2010.

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