

MINUTE of MEETING of CENTRAL SCOTLAND VALUATION JOINT BOARD held within HILLSIDE HOUSE, LAURELHILL, STIRLING on FRIDAY 6 FEBRUARY 2009 at 10.00 a.m.

PRESENT: Councillors Biggam, Carleschi, Goss, C MacDonald, McGill, Nimmo, and Simpson.

CONVENER: Councillor Simpson.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Blackwood, Hughes, Jackson, McLaren, McNeill and Paterson.

ATTENDING: Assessor; Assistant Assessor (P Wildman); Treasurer (M Wilson) and Assistant to the Clerk (S Barton).

VJB16. MINUTE

There was submitted (circulated) and **APPROVED** Minute of Meeting of Central Scotland Valuation Joint Board held on 24 October 2008.

VJB17. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS 2009

There was submitted Report (circulated) dated 27 January 2009 by the Clerk to the Board proposing dates and venues for ordinary meetings of the Valuation Joint Board for the remainder of 2009.

AGREED that the Board will meet on:-

- Friday 4 September 2009 at 10am in Hillside House, Stirling
- Friday 20 November 2009 at 10am in Hillside House, Stirling

NOTED that Special Meetings of the Board may be convened as necessary outwith the planned timetable.

VJB18. DRAFT REVENUE BUDGET 2009/10 TO 2011/2012

There was submitted joint Report (circulated) dated 9 January 2009 by the Treasurer and Assessor presenting for approval the Draft Revenue Budget for the financial year 2009/2010 and providing for information a copy of the indicative Revenue Budget for the financial years 2010/2011 and 2011/2012.

Discussion took place on the following:-

- The Measures in place to ensure Best Value

- The introduction of an Assessors portal for Scotland

AGREED:-

- (1) to approve the Valuation Joint Board's Revenue Budget for 2009/2010 in the sum of £2,707,980 as detailed in Appendix A to the report; and
- (2) to authorise the requisition of the constituent authorities for their share of the net expenditure as outlined in paragraph 3.2 of the report.

VJB19. REVENUE BUDGET 2008/09 – REVIEW AS AT 31.11.08

There was submitted Report (circulated) by the Treasurer advising of the forecast outturn for the financial year ending 31 March 2009.

Discussion took place on the following:-

- Printing costs
- Standardisation of addresses

NOTED the report.

VJB20. DISABILITY EQUALITY SCHEME

There was submitted Report (circulated) dated 23 January 2009 by the Assistant Assessor (West Division) providing for approval the Valuation Joint Board's Disability Equality Scheme.

AGREED:-

- (1) to approve the Disability Equality Scheme Annual Report; and
- (2) that in future all papers issued by the Valuation Joint Board would be produced in Arial 12 point font and would be unjustified.

VJB21. CLOSING REMARKS

The Convener, Councillor Simpson, advised that there would be an Equality and Diversity training seminar for all Board Members on Friday 20 February 2009 in the Central Scotland Police Headquarters and advised that all Members and substitutes had been invited to attend.