



OFWAT BOARD

Meeting held on Thursday 11 September 2008

Members in attendance

Chairman:

Philip Fletcher

Chief Executive:

Regina Finn

Non-Executive Directors:

Jane May

Peter Bucks

Penny Boys

Gill Owen

Mike Brooker

Executive Directors:

Keith Mason

Cathryn Ross

In attendance:

Fiona Pethick (Director of Corporate Affairs and Secretary to the Board)

Huw Brooker (Director of Legal Services)

George Day (Director of Network Regulation) item 3

Sue Cox (Head of Service and Performance Team) item 3

Apologies: None

The Board welcomed Cathryn Ross to her first Ofwat Board meeting.

1. Declarations of interest

None

2. Minutes and actions arising

The Board approved the minutes of the meeting of 24 July 2008. The minutes would be published on the Ofwat website.

3. PR09 draft business plans

As part of the price review process each water and sewerage company had submitted a draft business plan to Ofwat. These draft plans set out each company's proposals for investment, costs and bills for the price review period. They form the basis for dialogue with Ofwat and other regulators. Each company will be able to take account of comments and challenges when it submits a final business plan in April 2009 for use by Ofwat in setting price limits for 2010-15. The draft plans will also be used by Ofwat to set the draft baseline for the Capital Incentive Scheme. The Board was given a

presentation which summarised the main issues arising from the draft business plans across the industry.

4. Chief Executive's report

The Board received an update on key issues. These included:

- the recent Consumer Council for Water report on complaints;
- an update on the Cave review on Competition and innovation;
- the key contacts with stakeholders that had taken place since the last time the Board met; and
- papers to be discussed at future Board meetings.

5. Any other business

The Board thanked Fiona Pethick and Sarah Johnson for their work providing support to the Board and wished them well in their new roles.

Fiona Pethick

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