

LAND & PROPERTY SERVICES AGENCY

SHADOW AGENCY BOARD MEETING

QUEENS COURT, THURSDAY, 2 NOVEMBER 2006 @ 1:30 PM

Present: N Woods (NW) (Chair)
P Montgomery (PM)
A Brontë (AB)
D Rainey (DR)
G McGrath (GM)
I Greenway (IG)

In attendance: J Gibson (JG)

Apologies: A Scott (AS)

ACTION

Introduction

The Board Meeting commenced with a strategic briefing from the Directors and Senior Managers of Rating Services & Valuation Services. Due to time constraints the main focus of the remainder of the meeting was on the Comprehensive Spending Review (CSR) 2007 requirement for a new LPSA policy commitment.

Item 1 Minutes of Last Meeting

- 1.1 The minutes of the previous Board Meeting on 5th October 2006 were agreed.
- 1.2 IG proposed that a brief explanation of the outcomes on the action sheet would be useful.

Secretary

Item 2 Matters Arising

Item 2.2 The list of Business Unit and Business change Managers had not yet been circulated as Gareth McGrath was still awaiting some nominations. David Rainey put forward David Beattie as Business Change Manager for Valuation Services.

Item 5.1 IG informed the Board that whilst pressing, the paper on the general approach to managing the sensitivities of staff expectations/career development within the VLA/RCA Corporate Service Merger including wider LPSA impacts could not be taken forward in Arthur Scott's absence.

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Item 3	<p>Items from the DFP Departmental Board</p> <p>Not Discussed.</p>	
Item 4	<p>CSR Requirement for New LPSA Policy Commitment</p> <p>4.1 GM outlined the proposed new LPSA policy commitment as part of CSR 2007. LPSA was required to develop this new policy commitment in the context of the following strategies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children & Young People • Anti-poverty & Social exclusion • Sustainability Strategy • Shared Future <p>After some discussion the new policy commitment was agreed as:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Maximising access to harmonised land and property services and information for all citizens through the development of an integrated office network and other channels at reduced cost to the citizen</i></p>	
Item 5	<p>LPSA Programme Update</p> <p>5.1 The Shadow Agency Board noted the LPSA Programme Update paper. The Board agreed that the Scoping Study Report should be made available, with a covering memo, to all staff. The Programme Manager additionally undertook, as a matter of priority, to request that the members of the Communications Workstream compile a list of stakeholders to whom the Scoping Study Report should be issued.</p>	<p>GM</p> <p>GM</p>
Item 6	<p>LPSA Strategic Themes</p> <p>6.1 The Shadow Agency Board noted the LPSA Strategic Themes paper, and undertook to provide substantive feedback by Wednesday 8th November.</p>	SAB
Item 7	<p>Monitoring Progress against Key Targets and Dealing with Key Risks and Issues</p> <p>Deferred to the next meeting.</p>	
Item 8	AOB	

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8.1 IG provided an update on INSPIRE, and outlined the likelihood of a compromise agreement being reached.	
8.2 AB proposed that a Gateway Review 0 (Strategic Assessment) be undertaken for the LPSA Programme, and this proposal was endorsed by the Shadow Agency Board	GM
8.3 The Shadow Agency Board agreed that the Chief Executive Designate should write to the Law Society and RICS, to inform both organisations regarding the decision by the Secretary of State to establish a Land & Property Services Agency, and to outline the timetable for implementation	GM
Date of Next Meeting	
The date of the next meeting is:	
14 November at 1:30pm in Lincoln Buildings.	