



Met Office Board

Summary

31 July 2012

- The minutes of the meeting held on 26 June 2012 were agreed.
- The actions were reviewed and those completed were closed.
- The Chief Executive delivered his report to the Board. The Board reviewed performance against the Business Performance Measures and discussed a range of issues including, the successful use of social media, Met Office involvement in the Olympics and Paralympics, the signing of an MOU for scientific collaboration with Korea Meteorological Administration, Open Data and associated issues, and recent visits to Exeter HQ by Met Éireann and the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.
- Head of Finance provided an update on the latest financial position, which the Board noted.
- The Board received an update on health and safety, noting incidents that had arisen in the previous 3 months and the actions that had been taken to deal with these where appropriate. The Board also received an update from the Sustainability Committee, including the sustainability objectives and targets for 2012-13.
- The Operations and Services Director updated the Board on business continuity, highlighting the good progress that was being made and the next steps to be taken. The Board noted new policy and strategy documents had been completed and disaster recovery planning was continuing. The Board asked for the results of this work to be presented to the Audit Committee in the first instance, prior to consideration by the Board.
- The Volcanic Ash Coordination Programme Manager briefed the Board on work being carried out following the volcanic eruptions in Iceland during 2010 and 2011. The brief covered recent and current volcanic activity, background on international procedures, improvements made to date, and current priorities and future plans. The Board discussed various aspects of the brief and noted the progress that was being made.
- The next meeting would be held in Exeter on 26 September.