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|  | **Appendix A****Programme****Annual fire conference and exhibition** **7 – 8 March 2017****Hilton Hotel, Newcastle Gateshead** |

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| 09.00 | Registration, refreshments and exhibition viewing |
| 10.30 | **Conference opening and chair’s welcome****Councillor Allison Ilderton-Thompson,** Mayor of Gateshead (invited)**Chair: Councillor Jeremy Hilton,** Chair LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Gloucestershire County Council |
| 10.45 | **Keynote session 1. Ministerial address****Brandon Lewis MP**, Minister for Policing and Fire Service, Home Office (confirmed)**Chair**: **Councillor Jeremy Hilton**Questions and discussion |
| 11.25 | Refreshments and exhibition viewing  |
| 11.55 | **Keynote session 2. Workforce Reform: NJC and Thomas Review****Councillor Nick Chard**, Chair of the Employers’ Side of the National Joint Council for Local Authority Fire and Rescue Services and Kent and Medway Fire Authority (confirmed)**Matt Wrack**, Secretary of the Employees’ Side of the National Joint Council for Local Authority Fire and Rescue Services and General Secretary of the Fire Brigades Union (confirmed) **Chair: Cllr John Edwards**, LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Chair West Midlands FRAQuestions and discussion |
| 12.45To 1.50 | Lunch, exhibition viewing and networking Lunchtime fringes |
| 2.00 | **Workshops – session 1**An opportunity to attend a workshop from the list below. These sessions will be repeated at 3.30  |
|  | **W1. Retained Duty System** **Terry McDermott**, Chief Fire Officer, Derbyshire FRS (confirmed)**German fire fighters Association** (speaker tbc)**Chair**: **Cllr** **Simon Spencer**, LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Derbyshire FRA**W2. Partnership working in health****Ged Devereux,** Health Improvement Manager PHE North West (confirmed)**Ellie Houlston, Public Health Specialty Registrar** NHS England(confirmed)**Chair: Cllr Rebecca Knox**, Deputy Chair, LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Chair of Dorset and Wiltshire FRA**W3. Emergency service collaboration** **Deputy Chief Constable Frost,** Northamptonshire Police and NPCC portfolio lead for police and fire collaboration (invited)**Association of Ambulance Chief Executives** (invited)**Chair: Cllr Mark Healey**, LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Cahir of Devon and Somerset FRA**W4. Independent Standards Body****Mark Hardingham,** Chief Fire Officer Suffolk FRS(confirmed)**College of Policing** (confirmed, speaker tbc)**Chair: Cllr Darrell Pulk,** LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Chair of Nottinghamshire FRA**W5. Fire Peer Challenge****CFOA** (invited)**Gary Hughes** (confirmed)**Chris Bowron** (confirmed)**Cllr Kay Hammond** (confirmed)**Chair: Cllr Thomas Wright,** LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Chair of Tyne and Wear FRA |
| 3.00 | Refreshments and exhibition viewing |
| 3.30 | **Workshops – session 2 repeated**An opportunity to attend another workshop from the list above. |
| 4.35 | **Keynote session 3. Governance and devolution** **Tony Lloyd**, Interim Mayor and Police and Crime Commissioner for Greater Manchester (invited)**Councillor Chris Carter**, Chair of Hampshire FRA(confirmed)**Clive Grunshaw,** PCC for Lancashire and Association of Police and Crime Commissioners Lead on Policing Governance & Devolution (invited)**Chair**: **Cllr David Acton**, Deputy Chair, LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Chair of Greater Manchester FRA |
| 5.20 | **Political group meetings** |
| 6.20 | **Fire authority meetings** |
| 7.30 | Drinks reception  |
| 8.00 | Conference dinner  |
| **Wednesday 8**  |
| 08.30 | Registration for new delegates, refreshments and exhibition viewing |
| 9.10 | **Welcome to day two from the conference chair** |
| 9.15 | **Carolyn Harris MP**, Labour Shadow Fire Minister (invited)**Chair: Cllr David Acton,** Deputy Chair, LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Chair of Greater Manchester FRA |
| 09.45 | **Keynote session 4. Improving Equality, Diversity and Inclusion** **National Black Police Association** (invited)**Rebecca Bryant**, Chief Fire Officer, Staffordshire FRS (confirmed)**Dany Cotton**, Interim Fire Commissioner, London Fire Brigade (confirmed) **Josh Willacy, Stonewall** (invited)**Chair: Cllr Rebecca Knox**, Deputy Chair, LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Chair of Dorset and Wiltshire FRAQuestions and discussion |
| 10.30 | Refreshments and exhibition viewing |
| 10.50 | **Keynote session 5. Procurement** **Ann Millington,** Chief Executive, Kent Fire and Rescue Services (confirmed)**Procurement Category Lead** (invited)**Chair**: **Cllr Phil Howson,** Vice Chair, LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Chair of East Sussex FRAQuestions and discussion |
| 11.35 | Refreshments and exhibition viewing |
| 11.50 | **Keynote session 6. Inspection for the fire and rescue service****The inspectorate** **Daniel Greaves,** Fire and Resillience Director, Home Office (confirmed)**Roy Wilsher,** CFOA Director, Operations and Chief Fire Officer, Hertfordshire Fire and Rescue Service, and Chair of the National Fire Chiefs Council (confirmed)**Chair**: **Cllr Jeremy Hilton**, Chair, LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Gloucestershire County CouncilQuestions and discussion |
| 12.35 | Conference close, lunch, exhibition viewing and networking**Chair:** **Cllr Jeremy Hilton**, Chair, LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Gloucestershire County Council |
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