**Appendix A – Fire Conference programme**

**Tuesday 7 March**

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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 GatesheadChair: **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 Chair: **Councillor Jeremy Hilton,** Chair LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Gloucestershire County CouncilQuestions and discussion |
| 11.25 | Refreshments and exhibition viewing  |
| 11.55 | **Keynote session 2. Workforce Reform: NJC and the 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 **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 Chair: **Councillor John Edwards**, LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Chair of West Midlands FRAQuestions and discussion |
| 12.45To 1.50 | Lunch, exhibition viewing and networking  |
| 1.15 -1.45  | **Lunchtime Fringe Sessions****Infographics** – Meeting Room 2 – lower ground floorHow to improve service delivery, save money and reduce risk using actionable dashboards and an integrated approach to fire and rescue systemsRussell Wood, Commercial Manager, Infographics UK Ltd. |
| 2.00 | **Workshops – session 1**An opportunity to attend a workshop from the list below. These sessions will be repeated at 3.30  |
|  | **W1. the On-Call Firefighter for the 21st Century** **Dr. Christoph Weltecke Vice-President, German Fire Services Association** **Terry McDermott**, Chief Fire Officer, Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service (confirmed)Chair: **Councillor** **Simon Spencer**, Member LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Authority**W2. Partnership working in health****Ged Devereux,** Health Improvement Manager PHE North West **Ellie Houlston, NHS England** Chair**: Councillor Darrell Pulk,** LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Chair of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire FRA**W3. Emergency service collaboration** **Steve Neill,** Chief Superintendent Operations Department, **Northumbria Police**Chair**: Councillor Mark Healey**, LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Chair of Devon and Somerset FRA**W4. Independent Standards Body****Mark Hardingham,** Chief Fire Officer Suffolk Fire and Rescue Service (confirmed)**Representative from College of Policing** Chair: **Councillor Rebecca Knox,** LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Chair of Dorset and Wiltshire FRA**W5. LGA & CFOA Sector Led Improvement and Fire Peer Challenge** **Cllr Kay Hammond,** Cabinet Associate, Community SafetyServices, Surrey County Council**Gary Hughes,** Principal Adviser, LGA **Chris Bowron,** Programme Manager, LG support, LGA**Geoff Howsego,** CFOA Director, Corporate Services and Sector Improvement Chair: **Councillor 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 (by video link)**Councillor Chris Carter**, Chair, Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority**Roger Hirst**, Police and Crime Commissioner for Essex Chair: **Cllr David Acton** Deputy Chair, LGA Fire Services ManagementCommittee and Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Authority |
| 5.20 | **Political group meetings**Conservative Group Meeting - Meeting Room 1, lower ground floorLabour Group Meeting – Meeting Room 6,7,8, lower ground floorLiberal Democrat Meeting – Meeting Room 4, lower ground floorIndependent Group Meeting – Meeting Room 2, lower ground floor |
| 6.20 | **Fire authority meetings**Metropolitan Fire and Rescue Authorieties – Meeting Room 1, lower ground floorCombined Fire and Rescue Authorities - Meeting Room 2, lower ground floorCounty Fire and Rescue Authorities - Meeting Room 6,7,8, lower ground floor |
| 7.30 | **Drinks reception - sponsored by PBI Products – Gateshead Foyer** |
| 8.00 | **Conference dinner – Gateshead Suite** |
| **Wednesday 8 March**  |
| 08.45 | Registration for new delegates, refreshments and exhibition viewing |
| 9.30 | **Welcome to day two from the conference chair****Keynote session 4 Presentation from the Gold Partner****Steve Hamm,** Chairman, Institute of Fire Engineers**Chair: Councillor Jeremy Hilton**, Chair LGA Fire Services ManagementCommittee and Gloucestershire County Council |
| 09.50 | **Keynote session 4. Improving Equality, Diversity and Inclusion****Janet Hills,** President, National Black Police Association**Dany Cotton**, Commissioner, London Fire Brigade and Chair Women in the Fire Service**Kathryn Billing**, Station Manager, Cornwall Fire and Rescue Service and Secretary, Quiltbag **Rebecca Bryant**, Chief Fire Officer, Staffordshire FRS Chair: **Councillor Rebecca Knox**, Deputy Chair, LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Chair of Dorset and Wiltshire FRAQuestions and discussion |
| 10.50 | **Keynote session 5. Procurement** **Ann Millington,** Chief Executive, Kent Fire and Rescue Service Chair: **Councillor Phil Howson**, Vice Chair, LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Chair of East Sussex FRAQuestions and discussion |
| 11.15 | Refreshments and exhibition viewing |
| 11.45 | **Keynote session 6. Inspection****Chloe Dunnett,** Head of Fire Strategy and Reform Unit, Home Office **Roy Wilsher,** CFOA Director, Operations and Chief Fire Officer, Hertfordshire Fire and Rescue Service, and Chair of the National Fire Chiefs Council Chair: **Cllr Jeremy Hilton**, Chair, LGA Fire Services Management Committee and Gloucestershire County CouncilQuestions and discussion |
| 12.30 | Conference close, lunch, exhibition viewing and networking |
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