

## report

meeting	<b>NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND CITY OF NOTTINGHAM FIRE AUTHORITY</b>	
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### REPORT OF THE CHIEF FIRE OFFICER

#### FIRE 2004 CONFERENCE

#### **1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform Members of the Fire 2004 Conference and Exhibition and seek approval for the attendance of Members.

#### **2 BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 The Annual Fire Conference is to be held Manchester at the GMEX Conference Centre from Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September to Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2004. It is being organised on behalf of the Chief and Assistant Chief Fire Officers Association (CACFOA), the Institution of Fire Engineers (IFE), Protection Association (FPA), FIRE Magazine and Greater Manchester County Fire Service.
- 2.2 Fire 2004 is the biggest fire event of the year and has become the focal point of the fire professionals' annual activities. It is the three days when all concerned with fire prevention and protection come together to exchange ideas, expand their knowledge and discover the latest innovation products and services available.
- 2.3 This year's Conference will reflect the changes and major challenges facing the diverse groups involved in Europe's leading fire industry conference.
- 2.4 A copy of the draft programme is attached for information. A conference flyer will be available shortly.

#### **3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 3.1 The anticipated cost of attending the conference, including accommodation for three nights, travel and subsistence will be approximately £750 (to be confirmed). This can be contained within the budgetary provision for Member Conference Expenses.

#### **4 PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 There are no personnel implications arising from this report.

**5 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 There are no equal opportunities implications arising from this report.

**6 RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 There are no risk management implications arising from this report.

**7 RECOMMENDATIONS**

7.1 That representation by the Fire Authority is made at this Conference on the basis of two members from the majority group and one from the minority group.

**8 BACKGROUND PAPERS FOR INSPECTION**

None

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Appendix is not available electronically