report

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REPORT OF THE CHIEF FIRE OFFICER

FIRE 2006 CONFERENCE

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to inform Members of the Fire 2006 Conference and Exhibition and seek approval for the attendance of Members.

2 BACKGROUND

Fire 2006 is the biggest fire event of the year and has become the focal point of the fire professionals' annual activities. It is the two 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.

3 REPORT

- 3.1 The Annual Fire Conference is to be held in Telford at the International Centre on Wednesday 8 November and Thursday 9 November 2006. The conference is once again organised by Fire Conferences & Exhibitions Ltd (FC&E) with the support of the Chief Fire Officers Association (CFOA), Fire Protection Association (FPA) and the Institution of Fire Engineers (IFE).
- 3.2 The conference programme is yet to be determined, but will cover the latest issues affecting the fire fighting and fire prevention industries, and will include seminars and workshops with speakers both from within and outside the industries

4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The anticipated cost of attending the conference, including accommodation for two nights, travel and subsistence is yet to be confirmed, but will be approximately £600 per delegate. This can be contained within the budgetary provision for Member Conference Expenses.

5 PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

There are no personnel implications arising from this report.

6 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

An initial assessment has revealed there are no equality issues arising from this report.

7 RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no risk management implications arising from this report.

8 RECOMMENDATIONS

That representation of the Fire and Rescue Authority is made at this Conference on the basis of two Members from the majority group and one from the lead opposition group group.

9 BACKGROUND PAPERS FOR INSPECTION

None.

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