

Safest People, Safest Places

County Durham and Darlington
Fire and Rescue Authority



COMBINED FIRE AUTHORITY

25 JULY 2017

MEMBER ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCE

REPORT OF THE CHAIR, CLLR JOHN ROBINSON

Purpose of Report

1. To provide feedback to members on the recent Local Government Association Conference (LGA) held between 04 and 06 July 2017.

Background

2. Members have agreed to feedback a summary of any key issues emerging from conferences, events or seminars they have attended on behalf of the Authority.
3. The LGA Conference is held annually with the event being held this year in Birmingham. This year's conference covered a wide range of topics; however, as was the case last year there were very few fire specific related issues debated. This may be as a consequence of the government responsibility for fire and rescue now sitting within the Home Office and the fact that the LGA operate a separate Fire Conference each year.
4. Delegates attended a large number of the presentations, workshops and plenary sessions ranging from the implications of Brexit for Local Authorities to funding issues and the implications of the NHS Sustainability and Transformation Programmes (STP).

Recommendation

5. Members are asked to **note** the report.