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LGA FIRE CONFERENCE – MARCH 2016

Chief Fire Officers Association (CFOA) Update

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CFOA UPDATE

- Move to Home Office – initial positive engagement (new officials and old officials); financial accountability transfers to the HO on the 1st April
- Current discussions around NR and NCAF



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- Home Office - new officials have been out and about; very impressed with what the FRS does; growing appreciation of different governance arrangements, and that collaboration is a lot more than just police and fire; **BUT evidence and evaluation of why Fire (PAC)**



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- Subtly positioned CFOA – starting to influence some early conversations around the Fire Reform Programme e.g data and intelligence.
- Ministerial Board – ESC and JESIP (reform and efficiency)



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- Tripartite meetings – HO, CFOA, LGA, National Employers
- NPCC engagement (Sara Thornton and Alec Wood); how it operates, lessons learned and comparison of strategies
- CFOA's future operating model – Presidential term of office, structure and purpose, funding model



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- Government's response to the consultation on enabling closer working between the Emergency Services – no surprises?
- Police and Crime Bill



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- Procurement and ICT (contracts) – National Hubs/Functions; NOG, Fire Professional Framework, R and D, Pensions; potential funding?



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CFOA UPDATE – FIRE REFORM

- Public Accounts Committee – governance, accountability and transparency; standards and sustainability; independent inspectorate; mergers (fire/fire); evaluation of effectiveness of wider CS role
- Adrian Thomas – leadership; workforce reform; duty systems (RDS/on-call)
- Pace



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Thank You