

# WILDFIRE

## A NATIONAL STRATEGY?

### Conference 5th October Aberdeen

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In partnership with Her Majesty's Fire Service Inspectorate for Scotland, Grampian Fire and Rescue Service is hosting a one-day conference to consider the future strategies for coping with wildfire in the UK. The aim of the conference is to discuss some of the immediate challenges facing the land management and fire agencies and to attempt to provide a basis for the establishment of a Scottish, strategic level, group to discuss the key issues. The aim of the event is to provide focus on an increasingly challenging aspect of fire service planning and operations and to seek the involvement of a broad range of strategic stakeholders in forming a new national working group to consider wildfire and develop national strategies. The delegate fee for the event is £50, which includes Lunch and light refreshments.

TIME	SUBJECT	SPEAKER
09.00 – 09.30	Arrival and delegate registration, coffee Issue of delegate packs	Organisation Team
09.30 – 09.35	Welcome to Aberdeen	Councillor K. Freel, Convener, Grampian Fire Board
09.35 – 09.45	Welcome to delegates, Programme introduction	Firemaster John Williams Grampian Fire and Rescue Service
09.45 – 10.00	Opening Address	HMCIFS Jeff Ord Her Majesty's Fire Service Inspectorate for Scotland
10.00 – 10.25	Setting the Scene ·The specific challenge within the UK ·Potential solutions	Mark Jones Grampian Fire and Rescue Service
10.25 – 10.50	A Scottish Perspective ·The proposal for a national wildland strategy	Michael Bruce South Deeside Fire Partnership
10.50 – 11.40	A global perspective · The scale of the problem ·International arrangements	Dr Johann Goldammer Global Fire Monitoring Centre Freiburg University Germany
11.40 – 12.10	The role of the CTIF Forest Fires Commission	Trond Rane Chair, CTIF Forest Fires Commission Chief Fire Officer, Sarpsborg, Norway
12.10 – 12.35	Wildfire Operations ·Difficulties, Challenges and risks	Michael Dunne Head of Operations Lothian and Borders Fire Brigade CFOA
12.35 – 14.15	LUNCH Including demonstration from exhibitors	Event Organisation team
14.15 – 14.40	Fire Partnerships in action·Advantages, successes ·Difficulties and challenges	Trevor Johnson Highland and Islands Fire Brigade
14.40 - 15.05	Integrated Risk Management Planning·Implications for wildland fire responses, prioritisation ·Risk to crews	Deputy Firemaster David Dalziel Grampian Fire and Rescue Service
15.05 – 15.25	Being prepared - Airborne operations and training for large fire events	PDG Helicopters
15.25 – 15.45	What not to wear" – Suitable Safety apparel for wildland firefighters ·Unsuitability of structural fire clothing for wildfires	Mr I Moses, Personal Protective Equipment Manager, Grampian Fire and Rescue Service
15.45 –16.00	QUESTIONS	Peter Murray Grampian Fire and Rescue Service
16.00 – 16.20	A facilitated session seeking "hot" feedback	HMCIFS Jeff Ord Her Majesty's Fire Service Inspectorate for Scotland
16.20 – 16.30	The Next Steps – A proposal for progress ·Proposals to form a national working group. CONFERENCE CLOSURE	Fmr J Williams



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