

# Home Office's Reforming our fire and rescue service White Paper



**Bedfordshire**  
Fire & Rescue Service

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# What could be the key areas of contention nationally ?



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Q4: To what extent do you agree/disagree that the current **pay negotiation** arrangements are appropriate?

Q19: To what extent do you agree/disagree with making **enforcement** of the proposed statutory code an employment matter for chief fire officers to determine within their services?

Q20: To what extent do you agree/disagree with the creation of a fire and rescue service **oath** for services in England?

Q29: To what extent do you agree/disagree that Government should transfer responsibility for fire and rescue services in England to a **single elected individual**?

Q32: To what extent do you agree/disagree that Government should transfer responsibility for fire and rescue services in England to **police and crime commissioners**?

Q40. To what extent do you agree with this proposed approach (as outlined in the **accountability** table)?

Q46: To what extent do you agree or disagree that the **strategic plan** should be the responsibility of the fire and rescue authority?



## What approaches are other FRAs taking?

- Most FRS we've talked to are taking a neutral position
- The National Fire Chiefs Council (NFCC) and Fire Leaders Association are responding shortly
- An important consideration is the tone and perception we generate from our responses
- Some are asking: what's the public interest here?
- Others ask: what incentives and sanctions will there be?