

# NATIONAL FIRE SPRINKLER NETWORK

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

5<sup>th</sup> March 2009

10:30 hours

### Venue

West Midlands Fire Service Headquarters  
99 Vauxhall Road, Birmingham. B7 4HW

Name:		Initial	Organisation
<b>Present:</b>			
Peter	Armstrong	<b>PA</b>	Armstrong Priestley
Nick	Bateman	<b>NB</b>	Oxfordshire FRS
Dave	Beverley	<b>DB</b>	FBU
Ken	Bishop	<b>KB</b>	TYCO
Roger	Brason	<b>RB</b>	South Yorkshire
Alan	Brinson	<b>ABri</b>	EFSN
Adrian	Brown	<b>ABro</b>	East Sussex FRS
William	Butler	<b>WB</b>	Homesafe
Ray	Cassar	<b>RC</b>	Lancs FRS
Noel	Cornforth	<b>NC</b>	Cleveland FRS
Iain	Cox	<b>IC</b>	NFSN Chair / Royal Berkshire FRS
Richard	Elliott	<b>RE</b>	Norfolk FRS
Steve	Fellows	<b>SF</b>	Hereford & Worcester FRS
Les	Fielding	<b>LF</b>	NFSN Secretary
Jo	Fowler	<b>JF</b>	East Sussex FRS
Alan	Gibson	<b>AG</b>	Darlington & Durham FRS
Steve	Griffiths	<b>SG</b>	Kent FRS
Paul	Hardy	<b>PH</b>	Hertfordshire FRS
Chris	Hartrick	<b>CH</b>	Devon & Somerset FRS
David	Kerr	<b>DK</b>	Primary Fire Control
Ronnie	King	<b>RK</b>	NFSN Vice Chair
Robert	Martin	<b>MR</b>	Mid & West Wales FRS
Joe	McCafferty	<b>JM</b>	TYCO
Steve	Mills	<b>SM</b>	West Midlands Fire Service
Graham	Murrey	<b>GM</b>	Cheshire FRS
Julian	Parsons	<b>JP</b>	Wiltshire FRS
Nigel	Reynolds	<b>NR</b>	Oxfordshire FRS
David	Ridley	<b>DR</b>	Buckinghamshire FRS
Lee	Sheares	<b>LS</b>	Cheshire FRS
Ian	Sloss	<b>IS</b>	Staffordshire FRS
David	Smith	<b>DS</b>	ABE
Phil	Smythe	<b>PS</b>	Staffordshire FRS
Duncan	Stainthorp	<b>DS</b>	West Yorkshire FRS
Susanne	Taylor	<b>ST</b>	Homesafe
Peter	Wilkinson	<b>PW</b>	FPA
Cllr Robert	Wilkinson	<b>RW</b>	Lancashire Fire Authority

### Apologies:

Mark	Abram	<b>MA</b>	Cheshire FRS
Nigel	Atkins	<b>NA</b>	West York's FRS
Simon	Barratt	<b>SB</b>	Viking
Steve	Bryant	<b>SB</b>	MAWW FRS

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John	Cook	<b>JC</b>	Lincolnshire FRS
Alyn	Edwards	<b>AE</b>	North Wales FRS
Rosemarie	Everton	<b>RE</b>	Retired
Baz	Fox	<b>BF</b>	Northamptonshire FRS
Andy	Goves	<b>AG</b>	Wiltshire FRS
Tim	Gray	<b>TG</b>	Wiltshire FRS
Chris	Howard	<b>CH</b>	Merseyside FRS
Stewart	Kidd	<b>SK</b>	BAFSA
Andy	Perry	<b>AP</b>	Shropshire FRS
Myles	Platt	<b>MP</b>	Merseyside FRS
Richie	Rickaby	<b>RR</b>	Tyne & Wear FRS
Steve	Seaber	<b>SS</b>	Retired
Jeremy	Williams	<b>JW</b>	Oxfordshire FRS

**Agenda:**

**Action  
By:**

<b>1.</b>	<b>Welcome &amp; Apologies</b>	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Chairs report – Main Meeting</b>	
<b>3.</b>	<p><b>Vice Chair / Treasurers Report</b></p> <p>Members will note from the balance sheet that from year end 31 December 2007 to 31st December 2008 the NFSN's balances showed a slight increase of £883.13.</p> <p>(year end 31 December 2007 £17,249.07 and year end 31 December 2008 £18,132.20)</p> <p>During the past year we have attended more events and supported numerous promotional activities and Seminars, both to speak at events and to 'fly the flag' on behalf of the NFSN.</p> <p>I am pleased to be able to say that all UK Fire &amp; Rescue Services are now members of the NFSN, together with 24 member companies.</p> <p>The Annual Parliamentary Seminar is a unique opportunity to get the NFSN's message across to Parliamentarians and others, and whilst we do have generous sponsorship, we do have to meet the costs of speakers and some delegates, who we need to, bring to the event.</p> <p>This last year also, we have bought new NFSN display stands to create a more professional approach when we are asked to attend Fire &amp; Rescue Service promotional events.</p> <p>2009 has got off to a good start with the FM Global grant award of £3,481.67, and thanks must go to Brendan MacGrath at FM Global for all his help with that.</p> <p>We already have plans to utilise this funding to support a number of additional activities and events.</p> <p>The Water Liaison Group and the Sprinkler Coordination Group with associated</p>	

	<p>costs, were an additional expenditure in 2008 and will continue.</p> <p>On the plus side, our thanks go to BAFSA for increasing its contribution to the NFSN in 2009 to £2,000. (Peter Armstrong and Stewart Kidd are to be personally thanked for this).</p> <p>Accounts approved and carried without objection.</p>	
<b>4.</b>	<p><b>Election of Officials</b></p> <p>The Chair commented that it would be appropriate to express our thanks to Peter Holland for the tremendous effort he has put into the NFSN for the last 10 years. He reported that Peter is pleased with gift golf with friends at Bearwood and coaching from Justin Rose's own coach</p>	
4.1	Chair – Iain Cox	
4.2	Vice Chair / Treasurer – Ronnie King	
4.3	Secretary – Les Fielding	
4.4	<p>Executive:</p> <p>Officers plus:</p> <p>Peter Armstrong</p> <p>Dave Beverly</p> <p>Jonathan O'Neil</p> <p>Paul Hardy</p> <p>Chris Hartrick</p> <p>Ken Bishop</p> <p>The nominations were proposed by Alan Brinson, seconded Alan Gibson voted on en-block.</p> <p>All positions were agreed unanimously with no other nominations.</p>	