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Capital Grant Funding

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**The Chair of the Fire and Rescue Authority
The Chief Executive of the County Council
The Clerk to the Fire and Rescue Authority
The Clerk to the Combined Fire and Rescue Authority
The Commissioner of the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority
The Chief Fire Officer**

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**Treasurers
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Summary

This circular provides information on capital grant funding being awarded to Fire and Rescue Authorities (FRAs) in 2010 -11.

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1.0 Background

- 1.1 In December 2008 CLG announced £78 million capital grant funding for Fire and Rescue Authorities (FRAs) in England for the years 2009/10 and 2010/11. The Minister wrote to each Chief Fire Officer on 15 December 2008 to advise the amount of funding allocated. FRAs have the flexibility to decide when and how the capital grant is spent, providing that it is spent on capital projects, such as fire estate improvements.

2.0 Funding Approach

- 2.1 Funding will be provided via a Section 31 grant payment made to each authority. Payment of 2010/11 funding will be made to authorities on **19th April 2010**.

- 2.2 A copy of the 'Fire and Rescue Authorities Capital Funding Grant Determination 2010/11' (No31/1727), is attached. Amounts to be paid to each FRA in 2010/11 are listed at **Annex A**.

3.0 Further Information

- 3.1 If you have any questions or you would like further information please contact Robert Flynn on 0303 4442959 or e-mail Robert.flynn@communities.gsi.gov.uk

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FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITIES CAPITAL FUNDING GRANT DETERMINATION 2010/11 (No. 31/1727)

Shahid Malik, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at the Department for Communities and Local Government (“the Minister”), in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003, makes the following determination:

Citation

- 1) This determination may be cited as the Fire and Rescue Authorities Capital Funding Grant Determination 2010/11 (No. 31/1727).

Purpose of the grant

- 2) The purpose of the grant is to provide support to local authorities in England towards expenditure lawfully incurred or to be incurred by them.

Determination

- 3) The Minister determines as the authorities to which grant is payable and the amount of grant payable, the authorities and the amounts listed in the table in Annex A.

Grant conditions

- 4) Pursuant to section 31(4) of the Local Government Act 2003, the Minister determines that the grant will be paid subject to the conditions in Annex B.

Treasury consent

- 5) Before making this determination, the Minister obtained the consent of the Treasury.

Signed by authority of Shahid Malik, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at the Department for Communities and Local Government.

Mike Reed

A senior civil servant within the Department for Communities and Local Government.

Department for Communities and Local Government

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Annex A

CAPITAL GRANT ALLOCATIONS:	2010/11
FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY	£
Avon Fire Authority	940,282
Bedfordshire Fire Authority	749,607
Berkshire Fire Authority	844,766
Buckinghamshire Fire Authority	800,927
Cambridgeshire Fire Authority	818,140
Cheshire Fire Authority	922,521
Cleveland Fire Authority	735,881
Cornwall County Council	721,529
Cumbria County Council	709,659
Derbyshire Fire Authority	918,507
Devon & Somerset Fire Authority	1,193,336
Dorset Fire Authority	796,257
Durham Fire Authority	753,565
East Sussex Fire Authority	820,161
Essex Fire Authority	1,205,669
Greater London Authority	3,674,503
Gloucestershire County Council	744,512
Greater Manchester Fire Authority	1,579,175
Hampshire Fire Authority	1,214,536
Hereford and Worcester Fire Authority	808,797
Hertfordshire County Council	947,327
Humberside Fire Authority	882,403
Isle of Wight Council	558,539
Isles of Scilly Fire and Rescue Service	50,000
Kent Fire Authority	1,190,731
Lancashire Fire Authority	1,112,594
Leicestershire Fire Authority	906,963
Lincolnshire County Council	789,965
Merseyside Fire Authority	1,071,989
Norfolk County Council	851,765
North Yorkshire Fire Authority	831,015
Northamptonshire County Council	782,742
Northumberland County Council	630,940
Nottinghamshire Fire Authority	946,008
Oxfordshire County Council	767,064
Shropshire Fire Authority	690,654
South Yorkshire Fire Authority	1,046,328
Staffordshire Fire Authority	948,964
Suffolk County Council	796,660
Surrey County Council	958,594
Tyne and Wear Fire Authority	959,579
Warwickshire County Council	720,680
West Midlands Fire Authority	1,598,709
West Sussex County Council	825,710

West Yorkshire Fire Authority	1,413,276
Wiltshire Fire Authority	768,470

Annex B

GRANT CONDITIONS

1. Grant paid to the Greater London Authority under this grant determination must be transferred by the Mayor to the London fire and emergency planning authority.
2. Grant paid to an authority under this determination may be used only for the purposes that a capital receipt may be used for in accordance with regulations made under section 11 of the Local Government Act 2003.
3. The Chief Executive and Chief Internal Auditor of each authority are required to sign and return to Robert Flynn of the Fire and Resilience: Finance and Performance Division of the Department for Communities and Local Government, a declaration, to be received no later than 31st July 2011, in the following terms:

“To the best of our knowledge and belief, and having carried out appropriate investigations and checks, in our opinion, in all significant respects, the conditions attached to the Fire and Rescue Authorities Capital Funding Grant Determination 2010/11 (No.31/1727) have been complied with”.
4. If an authority fails to comply with any of the requirements of paragraphs 2 and 3, the Minister of State may-
 - a) reduce, suspend or withhold grant; or
 - b) by notification in writing to the authority, require the repayment of the whole or any part of the grant.
5. Any sum notified by the Minister of State under paragraph 4(b) shall immediately become repayable to the Minister.
6. In relation to grant payable to the Greater London Authority under this determination, any references to an authority in paragraphs 2 to 5 of this Annex are to be treated as references to the London fire and emergency planning authority.