



**HMICFRS**

Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary  
and Fire & Rescue Services

Promoting improvements  
in policing and fire & rescue  
services to make everyone safer

# Fire and Rescue Service Inspections

## LGA Fire Conference

### 14 March 2018

HMI Zoë Billingham

# Thank you

- Pilot Fire and Rescue Services
  - Suffolk
  - Staffordshire
  - West Yorkshire
- External Reference Group
- Consultees
- Technical Advisory Group



# Our promise

*The inspection will be developed with the fire and rescue service. It will be designed to promote improvement and to identify all aspects of the excellent work undertaken by fire and rescue services. We will approach the inspection on a no surprises basis and experts from across the service will be fundamental to the delivery of our inspections*



# Focus of the proposed inspection

## Effectiveness

How effective is the FRS at keeping people safe and secure from fire and other risks?

## Efficiency

How efficient is the FRS at keeping people safe and secure from fire and other risks?

## People

How well does the FRS look after its people?



# Inspection: the how

- No surprises
- 3 tranches of 15 services
- Fieldwork of one week
- Dedicated inspectors
- Published reports with graded judgments



# Timeline

<b>3 pilot inspections</b>	<b>March to May 2018</b>
<b>Publish inspection programme</b>	<b>March 2018</b>
<b>1st tranche of 15 inspections</b>	<b>Summer 2018</b>
<b>2nd tranche of 15 inspections</b>	<b>Autumn/Winter 2018</b>
<b>3rd tranche of 15 inspections</b>	<b>Spring 2019</b>



# Early Reflections

- Developing a trusting relationship
- Understanding context
- Role of SLO is vital
- Open and honest self assessment



# Early Reflections

- Don't over engineer your response/preparations
- Talk to the pilot services
- Talk to us- keep asking questions





# Dates for diary

- Dates for tranche 1 and sector consultation on judgment criteria
- 6 June 2018
- 13 June 2018



Thank you

Questions?

