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By E-mail to:
Regional ESMCP Nominated Leads

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Dear Regional ESMCP Nominated Leads,

**EMERGENCY SERVICES MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAMME: LOCAL
TRANSITION RESOURCE GRANT PAYMENT FOR THE FIRE AND RESCUE
SERVICE 2018/19**

This letter relates to Local Transition Resource funding (LTR) for Fire and Rescue Authorities (FRAs) to support the rollout of the Emergency Services Network (ESN). We are writing to you as nominated Lead Authorities for your regions for payment of this grant.

With the progress that the revised ESMCP full business case is making towards being signed off it has been deemed appropriate for some LTR funding to be released within the current financial year

It is anticipated the funding may be used to support the following types of roles at Regional and Local level in ESMCP Transition:

- Regional Programme Manager
- Project Manager
- Technical Lead
- Operational Manager
- Fleet Manager
- Business/ Procurement Lead
- Test Manager
- Test Support
- Administrator
- Training Lead
- Trainer.

These roles were within a model agreed with Fire Customer Group in 2016 as likely to be required to undertake transition tasks for ESN. FRAs are encouraged to continue to act collaboratively to consider managing this funding flexibly within posts as they see fit to deliver ESN collaboratively, regionally and locally. The posts above are, therefore, not prescriptive.

Payment of this grant through the Section 31 Grant Determination, signed by Shehla Husain on the authority of the Police and Fire Minister and attached with this letter, mirrors the way LTR has been allocated since 2016, and the additional LTR that was allocated to aid regions to manage the increased time through to transition. In order for the Home Office to identify any potential underspend in the Local Transition Resource, Fire and Rescue Authorities are requested to keep a record of forecast spend against actual spend when it is known, and that any unused money is kept for ongoing ESN work.

This letter has been copied to your Regional Lead, Regional Programme Manager, Regional Coordination Manager and Ian Taylor, the ESN Business Change Lead for Fire.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Husain', written in a cursive style.

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