

Based upon quick review of the draft there's an opportunity to include a short section relating to the duties and responsibilities of site operators to undertake general fire precautions including the completion of a suitable and sufficient fire risk assessment under the Fire Safety Order 2005.

The application of the FSO by virtue of a licence is likely to support each of the 4 key priorities listed:

- ♦ Strengthening our communities – Risk elimination and or reduction is proven to strengthen communities by putting safety first.
- ♦ Improving our environment – Reducing the opportunities for ignition and fire spread will safeguard the environment from the adverse effects of fire, toxic smoke, and firefighting water runoff.
- ♦ Protecting the vulnerable – Sensitive receivers is the term used to describe those that may be adversely affected by fire and protracted incident. This includes people who are forced to close windows or stay inside but equally affects public infrastructure such as highways, canals and rail lines which could be closed subject to the conditions at the time.
- ♦ Increasing prosperity – Business that operate within the established parameters for best practice remain in business for longer and recover swiftly following an adverse incident.

The FSO is not applicable to vehicles which are lawfully taxed to use the highway and therefore collectors are not required to have an FRA.

Let me know if you have any questions or want to discuss these matters further.

JJ

**Jonathan James**

Fire Engineering Design Technician & Primary Authority Manager

01296 744498

Buckinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service, Headquarters - Unit 7 Stocklake, Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, HP20 1BD.

BFRS main enquiry line: 01296 744400

Please visit our website at [www.bucksfire.gov.uk](http://www.bucksfire.gov.uk)