Events proposed for approval by the Authority for 2008/2009 for the purpose of the payment of travel and subsistence allowances and conference fees (where appropriate), subject to the necessary budgetary provision being available.

Event	Attendance By	Financial Implications
LGA Annual Fire Conference*	Chair and Vice-Chair (or their nominees)	Conference fees and travel and subsistence
Annual Fire Conference*	Chair and Vice-Chair (or their nominees)	Conference fees and travel and subsistence
Annual Assembly of Standards Committees*	Chair of the Standards Committee (or his/her nominee)	Conference fees and travel and subsistence
*It is proposed that attendance at three conferences per year be approved. In previous years these have included the conferences shown above.		
Fire Service Briefing Meetings arranged by the Dept for Communities and Local Government	Chair and Vice-Chair (or their nominee) OR all members of the Authority (as appropriate)	Travel and subsistence
Annual Visits to the Houses of Parliament to meet West Midlands MPs and members	All Members	Travel and subsistence
Member training events/seminars organised by the Authority or approved by the Chair and Vice-Chair	All Members	Travel and subsistence
Monitoring visits to fire stations (up to two per quarter)	All Members	Travel and subsistence

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