





**PROGRAMME**

**Reducing risk of fire in thatched buildings:**

**recent research and new guidance**

**Tuesday 13th November 2018, 9:30 – 16:30**

Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service Headquarters

The Knowle, Clyst St George, Exeter, Devon, EX3 0NW

**MORNING SESSION**

9:30 - 10:00 Registration & Coffee

10:00 - 10:15 Introduction and welcome. Thatch fires: the fire service perspective - Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service

10:15 - 10:30 Thatch fires: the insurer’s perspective – NFU Mutual Insurance Ltd

10.30 - 10:45 Thatch fires: the heritage perspective and the need for research - Alison Henry, Historic England

10:45 - 11.30 Research programme and results

Jim Glockling, Fire Protection Association

11:30 - 12.00 Coffee

12:00 - 12.:30 New guidance on reducing fire risk in thatched properties – Jim Glockling

12:30 - 12:50 Fire risk reduction and listed buildings: balancing risk and significance – Jenny Chesher, Historic England

12:50 – 13:00 Q & A

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

**AFTERNOON SESSION**

14:00 - 14.30 Thatch fire safety advice and fighting thatch fires D & S F & R

14:30 – 15:00 Dealing with the aftermath of thatch fire: the conservation perspective - Maureen Pearce & Andrew Carpenter, Teignbridge District Council

15:00 - 15:30 Tea

15:30 - 16:30 Demonstration – fighting thatch fires

