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Local Better Regulation Office

The LBRO Inaugural National Conference

Better Local Regulation Prosperity and Protection

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Agenda *(subject to change)*

09:00 Registration and Refreshments

SESSION ONE: BETTER LOCAL REGULATION

10:00 **Welcome and Introduction by Conference Chair**
Clive Grace, Chair, Local Better Regulation Office

10:10 **Responses to Public Risk: The Role of the Risk Entrepreneur**
Rick Haythornthwaite, Chairman, Risk and Regulation Advisory Council

10:25 **Enabling SME's to Prosper**
Simon Topman, Managing Director, ACME Whistles; Deputy President,
British Chambers of Commerce

10:40 **Shaping the Role of Regulatory Services**
Cllr David Parsons, Chair, Improvement Board, Local Government Association

10:55 **Perspective from the Front Line**
Steve Harrison, Assistant Director, Community Protection, Westminster City Council

11:10 Questions and Discussion

11:30 Refreshments and Networking

SESSION TWO: CO-ORDINATING LOCAL REGULATION

12:00 **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**
Stephen Carter CBE, Minister for Communications, Technology and Broadcasting – responsible for
Better Regulation

12:10 Questions and Discussion

12:15 **Implementing the Better Regulation Agenda**
Graham Jukes, Chief Executive, Chartered Institute of Environmental Health
Noel Hunter OBE, Chairman of the Board, Trading Standards Institute
James Button, President, Institute of Licensing
Derek Allen, Executive Director, LACORS
Neil Gibbins, DCFO, Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service; Chair, Fire Safety Order Working Group, CFOA

13:00 Buffet Lunch and Networking

14:00 **SESSION THREE: SEMINARS – NATIONAL PRIORITIES**
The seminar sessions will explore how to meet the National Enforcement Priorities. Hosted by the national regulators and policy-makers, and featuring case studies, the seminar sessions are designed to be interactive and participatory. Delegates are asked to choose from one of the following six seminars:

1. **Air Quality and Regulating Industrial Pollution - EMPIRE SUITE (GROUND FLOOR)**
   Hosted by Mike Etkind, Head of Local Authority Pollution Control, Defra
   Case Study: Colin Powlesland, Air Quality and Health Policy Manager, Environment Agency

2. **Alcohol, Entertainment and Late Night Refreshment Licensing and Enforcement - GRAND HALL (GROUND FLOOR)**
   Hosted by Hazel Canter, Director of Licensing and Compliance, Gambling Commission
   Case Study: Roger Vick, Commercial Health Manager, Canterbury City Council

3. **Food Hygiene - DERBY SUITE (THIRD FLOOR)**
   Hosted by Dr Andrew Wadge, Chief Scientist and Director of Food Safety, Food Standards Agency Case Studies: Sarah Appleby, Head of Enforcement Support Division, Food Standards Agency
   Richard Block, Operations Manager, Food Health & Safety, Westminster City Council
   Sam Rowell, Specialist Public Protection Officer, Blackpool Council
   Julian Blackburn, Team Leader, Safer Food Better Business, Food Standards Agency

4. **Fair Trading - PENTHOUSE SUITE (FIFTH FLOOR)**
   Hosted by Mike Haley, Head, Consumer Protection Group, Office of Fair Trading
   Peter Mason, Chief Executive, National Weights and Measures Laboratory
   Case Studies: Alan Drake, Head, Community Protection, London Borough of Redbridge
   Guy Pratt, Head, Trading Standards, Hertfordshire County Council

5. **Improving Health in the Workplace - DURHAM SUITE (THIRD FLOOR)**
   Hosted by Tony Hetherington, Head, Local Authority Unit, Health & Safety Executive

6. **Animal and Public Health - CAMBRIDGE SUITE (FIRST FLOOR)**
   Hosted by Richard Gregg, Programme Director, Regulation Division, Defra

14:50 Refreshments and Networking

SESSION FOUR: RISK AND COMPLIANCE

15:10 **Introduction by Afternoon Chair**
Heather Stewart, Economics Editor, The Observer

15:15 **Raising Standards within the New Performance Framework**
Andy Walford, Service Head for Environment and Regeneration, Audit Commission

15:35 Questions and Discussion

15:40 **Proportionate Sanctions against Non-Compliant Businesses: Compliance in a Post-Hampton World**
Harold Gay, Chairman, Consumer Affairs Panel, CBI

15:55 Questions and Discussion

16:00 **Reflections: What More Can Be Done?**
A conversation with:
Sir William Sargent, Executive Chair, Better Regulation Executive
Graham Russell, Chief Executive, Local Better Regulation Office

16:20 Questions and Discussion

16:30 Close of Conference

17:30 LBRO Open Meeting