## **GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

Meeting of the GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE to be held in the Fire Authority Rooms at the Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters, Nissan Way, Barmston Mere, Sunderland on MONDAY, 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH, 2010 at 10.30 a.m.

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DAVE SMITH, Clerk to the Authority.

12<sup>th</sup> March, 2010.