The FBU has announced a 24 hour strike in relation to the national pension dispute.

It is planned to take place on Tuesday, 9\textsuperscript{th} December, starting at 9am and ending on Wednesday, 10\textsuperscript{th} December, at 9am.

At present we do not expect any changes to the previously advised contingency arrangements by LFB and we will keep you advised of any changes and/or further development.

- The London Fire Brigade (LFB) has advised that, in accordance with the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 an emergency service will be provided during this time. The service shall consist of 27 frontline appliances at strategic locations across London and will be crewed by non-fire brigade personnel. One appliance shall initially attend a reported incident.
- LFB has advised that, whilst this service is available, attendance times will be affected
- No specific priority shall be given to the Crossrail project.
- In the event of a major incident the FBU has advised that they will not prevent their members from returning to work.

This is not expected to affect Crossrail operations but Principal Contractors should use this as a timely reminder to consider and communicate the following points:

- Review all planned work and appropriate risk assessments.
- Review, update and rehearse all emergency arrangements and evacuation plans.
- Check that control measures for fire prevention remain effective.
- Check all fire equipment including automatic suppression systems are correctly and suitably maintained and operational.
- Minimise hotwork activities if possible. Vigilant observation of those works that continue.
- Additional focus on housekeeping standards and control of combustible/flammable materials.

The identification and management of risk, including the risk of fire, is a daily occurrence on Crossrail. However, this requires a period of heightened awareness to ensure controls remain effective.