# **NORTHUMBERLAND FIRE &**

# **RESCUE SERVICE**

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# **Some facts about Fire Control……..**

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### **Please take time to consider if the working environment in Fire Control will suit you:**

### **You will wear a uniform and you will work in a disciplined environment**

### **You will need to invest your own time, outside of work to successfully complete the initial Firefighter (Control) Training Course**

### **After training, you will work 2 day shifts (0900 to 1800 hours) and two night shifts (1800 to 0900 hours), then have four days off**

### **This means you will work two successive 15 hour nightshifts**

* **Your Annual Leave is scheduled for you throughout the year, you will be expected to work Bank Holidays, including Christmas and New Year**

### **You will spend most of your shift sitting at a desk in front of computer screens**

### **You will not be allowed to leave the site during your shift and you may be called back to your desk during meal breaks**

### **The shift system may interfere with your social life**

### **You will spend your working time in one Control Room**

* **You will work with the same three or four people every day and you will not see many other people**
* **Most of your contact with colleagues outside of Fire Control will be by telephone only**
* **Sometimes you will be extremely busy, but some shifts may be fairly quiet**
* **Some of your callers may be difficult to deal with**