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Report of West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service

Report to Inner North East Area Committee

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Subject: West Yorkshire Fire and rescue Service Annual report

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	⊠ Yes	☐ No
Chapel Allerton Moortown Roundhay		
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	☐ Yes	⊠ No

Summary of main issues

- 1. Update on performance 1/4/12 31/3/13
- 2. Update on revised approach to targeting risk reduction in the East Leeds Area
- 3. Progress on Firefly project

Recommendations

4. It is recommended that the Area Committee note this report

1 Purpose of this report

- 1.1 Purpose of this report is:
 - To provide information on the emergency response activity in the Inner North East Area 1/4/12 31/3/13
 - To update the Inner North East Area Committee members with the changes to the Local Area Risk Reduction Team (LARRT) within the East Leeds area.
 - To provide an update on the amendments to fire cover in Moortown and the proposed merger of Gipton and Stanks fire stations into a new build station at Killingbeck.

2 Background information

- 2.1 West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service (WYFRS) continue to strive towards its ambition of 'Making West Yorkshire Safer,' coupled with its aim to 'provide an excellent fire and rescue service, working in partnership to reduce death, injury, economic loss and contribute to community wellbeing.
- 2.2 Incident data showing activity from 1/4/12 31/4/13 in Ward areas. Data broken down into four groups;
 - 1. **Primary fires**. Any incident where fire has involved something of value i.e. Property, Vehicles etc.
 - 2. **Secondary fires.** Any incident where fire has involved something of little or no value. i.e. refuse, derelict property, grass etc.
 - 3. Special service calls. Any incident not involving fire. These include: Road traffic collisions (RTC), Lift recues, Persons trapped etc.
 - 4. False Alarms. Any incidents where the services of WYFRS are not required. These include: Automatic fire alarms (faulty apparatus etc.), genuine cause for concern from member of public, malicious actuation of fire alarm or hoax calls.

The above categories have been further broken down into accidental and deliberate.

2.3 Incident data showing activity in Ward areas

%age change	Total	Roundhay	Moortown	Chapel Allerton	Ward		Reduction	Total	Roundhay	Moortown	Chapel Allerton	Ward		2012/13	Total	Roundhay	Moortown	Chapel Allerton	Ward		2011/12
-5.56%	-2	0	÷	on -1	Accidental Dwelling Fires			34	7	9	on 18	Accidental Dwelling Fires			36	7	10	on 19	Accidental Dwelling Fires		
-40.00%	-2	0	-2	0	Deliberate Dwelling Fires	Prim		3	1	0	2	Deliberate Dwelling Fires	Prima		5	1	2	2	Deliberate Dwelling Fires	Prima	
-43.75%	-7	-1	1	-7	Other Accidental	Primary Fires		9	4	4	1	Other Accidental	Primary Fires		16	5	ω	00	Other Accidental	Primary Fires	
-69.70%	-23	-7	0	-16	Other Deliberate			10	3	4	w	Other Deliberate			33	10	4	19	Other Deliberate		
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-6.35%	-4	4	-1	-7	Total	e Calls		65	23	18	18	Total	e Calls		63	19	19	25	Total	e Calls	
-3.28%	8-	2	-2	-8	Apparatus			236	74	56	106	Apparatus			244	72	58	114	Apparatus		
-35.71%	-40	5	-10	-35	Apparatus Good Intent Malicious	False alarms		77	30	20	22	Apparatus Good Intent Malicious	False alarms		112	25	30	57	Apparatus Good Intent Malicious	False alarms	
41.67%	5	2	2	Ľ	Malicious	arms		17	4	5	œ	Malicious	rms		12	2	ω	7	Malicious	rms	
-11.68%	-43	9	-10	-42	Total			325	108	81	136	Total			368	99	91	178	Total		
-11.68% -26.04%	-176	-10	-43	-123	Incidents	Total		500	175	127	198	Incidents	Total		676	185	170	321	Incidents	Total	

3 Main issues

- 3.1 Continue to identify the most vulnerable members of the community within the Inner North East Area, and target our resources in those areas where the risk is greatest. The Inner North east area has now amalgamated with the Inner East, outer East and the outer North East to create the East Leeds local risk reduction team.
- 3.2 Over the last 10 years WYFRS have surpassed all expectations by exceeding targets for reducing malicious fires, arson and the number of deaths and injuries caused by fires in the home. Further reduction of risk is proving more challenging, and new, smarter ways of working are being developed. This new way of working relies on close partnership working with agencies that are assisting us by identifying and referring those most in need of assistance.
- 3.3 The East Leeds Local Area Risk Reduction Team will focus resources and further develop partnership working. An example of this is the collaboration with East North East Homes (ENEH) which has now been extended into its second year where a member of their staff is seconded to work within WYFRS Fire Prevention department.
- 3.4 Historically WYFRS have carried out 21,000 Home fire safety checks across the Leeds district. It has been decided that a more targeted approach to identify the most vulnerable residents of west Yorkshire was required. A new system has been developed which looks at the severity of risk to an individual along with the likelihood of a fire occurring. This ensures that resources are being targeted at the most vulnerable groups.
- 3.5 We will continue to deliver the highly successful Schools education package to all year 5 students, which include fire and road safety.
- 3.6 We have been installing the Firefly system in the most vulnerable residences in the Inner North East area since August 2012. To date, approximately 100 dwellings now benefit from this system of identifying those less able to escape in a fire situation.

4 Corporate Considerations

4.1 Consultation and Engagement

4.1.1 WYFRS consult regularly on proposals for improving fire cover. An extensive consultation was undertaken in 2012 which resulted in the approval of a merge of Moortown and Cookridge into to a newly built Station at a location between the two existing stations.

4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

4.2.1 WYFRS perform at the excellent level of the Fire and rescue services Equality Framework, and were the first FRS to achieve this level.

4.3 Council policies and City Priorities

4.3.1 WYFRS are a member of the Safer Leeds Partnership.

4.4 Resources and value for money

4.4.1 There are no resource implications.

4.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

4.5.1 There are no legal implications.

4.6 Risk Management

4.6.1 A Community risk management strategy is contained within the WYFRS 2011-2015 Service Plan.

5 Conclusions

5.1 WYFRS works closely with partners and the community it serves to improve its understanding of local needs and prioritise resources where they are most needed, WYFRS continues to deliver its services in the most cost effective way.

6 Recommendations

6.1 It is recommended that the Area Committee note this report.

7 Background documents – located at WYFRS website

7.1 WYFRS Service Plan 2011-2015

Leeds district risk reduction plan 2013 / 2014

Appendix A

Maps showing Home Fires safety Checks carried out in 12 month period 1/4/12 – 31/3/13





