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POLICE, FIRE & RESCUE AND SAFER COMMUNITIES BOARD FRIDAY, 31ST AUGUST, 2018

A MEETING of the POLICE, FIRE & RESCUE AND SAFER COMMUNITIES BOARD will be held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, NEWTOWN ST BOSWELLS on FRIDAY, 31ST AUGUST, 2018 at 9.30 AM

J. J. WILKINSON,
Clerk to the Council,

24 August 2018

BUSINESS		
1.	Apologies for Absence	
2.	Order of Business	
3.	Declaration of Interest	
4.	Minutes and Matters Arising (Pages 3 - 10) Consider Minute of Meeting held on 22 June 2018. (Copy attached).	5 mins
5.	Progress Reports/Updates on Service Matters	
	(a) Police (Pages 11 - 20) Performance Report (Copy attached). Update on Service Matters Police Chief Superintendent Lesley Clark Overview of CAT Deployment Arrangements Chief Inspector Andrew McLean	30 mins
	(b) Fire & Rescue (Pages 21 - 60) Update on Service Matters Newbridge Training Project (report attached) Performance Report (copy attached) LSO Stephen Gourlay	30 mins
6.	Safer Communities Update and Key Activities (Pages 61 - 82) To consider report by Safer Communities Team (Copy attached) Andrea Beavon, Violence Against Women Coordinator	20 mins
7.	Any Other Items Previously Circulated	

8.	Any Other Items the Chairman Decides are Urgent	
9.	Date of Next Meeting The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Friday, 9 November 2018 at 9.30 am in the Council Chamber, Council Headquarters, Newtown St Boswells.	2 mins

NOTES

1. **Timings given above are only indicative and not intended to inhibit Members' discussions.**
2. **Members are reminded that, if they have a pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest in any item of business coming before the meeting, that interest should be declared prior to commencement of discussion on that item. Such declaration will be recorded in the Minute of the meeting.**

Membership of Committee:- Councillors D Moffat, E Robson, H Scott, E Small, G Turnbull, Vacancy
Mr M Dickson, NHS Borders, Mrs J Mulloy- Scottish Borders Housing Network,
Ms M Simpson - Voluntary Sector, Mr H Waltl - Business Sector

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**SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL
POLICE, FIRE & RESCUE AND SAFER COMMUNITIES BOARD**

MINUTES of Meeting of the POLICE, FIRE & RESCUE AND SAFER COMMUNITIES BOARD held in Council Chamber, Council Headquarters, Newtown St Boswells on Friday, 22nd June, 2018 at 9.30 am

Present: Councillors: G Turnbull (Chair from para 2), E Robson, H Scott, E Small, Mr M Dickson - NHS Borders, Ms J Mulloy – SBHA, Mrs M Simpson - Voluntary Sector.

Apologies: Councillors W McAteer, D Moffat.

In Attendance: Chief Superintendent L Clark, Chief Inspector A McLean, Police Scotland; Group Manager, D Girrity & LSO S Gourlay, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service; Mr J Alexander, Scottish Ambulance Service, Ms A Beavon – Violence Against Women Coordinator, SBC, Mr D Scott, Senior Policy Advisor SBC, Ms S Smith, Communities and Partnership Manager SBC, J Turnbull, Democratic Services Officer SBC.

1. **APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR**

Mr Scott advised that the first item on the Agenda was appointment of Vice-Chairman. Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Robson moved that Councillor Turnbull be appointed as Vice-Chairman of the Police, Fire & Rescue and Safer Communities Board and this was agreed.

DECISION

AGREED that Councillor Turnbull be appointed as Vice-Chairman of the Police, Fire & Rescue and Safer Communities Board.

MEMBER

Councillor Turnbull in the Chair.

2. **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

The Chairman welcomed Mr Malcolm Dickson, NHS representative who had replaced Mr Davidson on the Board. He also introduced Mr John Alexander from the Scottish Ambulance Service and there was a round of introductions.

DECISION

NOTED and welcome:

- (a) **Mr M Dickson as the NHS representative to the Board; and**
- (b) **Mr Alexander who was attending on behalf of the Scottish Ambulance Service.**

MEMBER

Councillor Small joined the meeting.

3. **MINUTE**

There had been circulated copies of the Minute of the meeting held on 9 February 2018.

DECISION

APPROVED the Minute.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTE

- 4.1 With reference to paragraph 3.1 of the Minute, Chief Superintendent Clark advised that the establishment of the policing communication toolkit for 'J' Division was ongoing.
- 4.2 With reference to paragraph 3.10 of the Minute, Chief Inspector McLean advised that Police Scotland were exploring the inclusion of statistics on response times, details of complaints and detection rates for 999 and 101 calls in their Scrutiny Reports. However, to carry out in depth analysis was a significant undertaking.
- 4.3 With reference to paragraph 4 of the Minute, Mr Scott, Senior Policy Advisor, advised that the COSLA Police Scrutiny Conveners and Scottish Police Authority (SPA) had formed a Working Group which would include looking at the engagement of Scottish Police Authority (SPA) members on local Scrutiny Committees. An update would be provided to the Board when more information was available.

DECISION NOTED.

5. PROGRESS REPORTS/UPDATES ON SERVICE MATTERS

- 5.1 Chief Superintendent Clark advised that in response to an incident in Jedburgh, there had been the first deployment, by a specially trained officer, of a Taser in Scotland. The deployment would be evaluated and any learning points captured. Chief Superintendent Clark, further advised that there had been an increase in drug deaths in the Scottish Borders, this reflected the national increase and there was no specific trend. Work was ongoing to obtain intelligence and when completed an overview would be presented to the Board. Chief Superintendent Clark concluded by advising that changes to the armed response deployment model meant that armed response officers were now dispatched to a wider range of incidents; a briefing could be presented to the Board if required.
- 5.2 Chief Inspector McLean then presented Police Scotland's Scrutiny Report for the period 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018, copies of which had been circulated with the Agenda. The report was in the new format, intended to be user friendly, and feedback would be appreciated.
- 5.3 Domestic Abuse – During the period there was a 12% rise in the number of incidents reported, this reflected an increase in victims' confidence in reporting incidents. This enabled early engagement with the most appropriate support agency, such as the DAAS, and highlighted the importance of strong partnership working. Early intervention had also reduced the number of future criminal acts.
- 5.4 Road Safety – The report showed that there had been a reduction in all categories. There had been an increase in educational initiatives provided within the Scottish Borders, such as the Drivewise project, Over 65s refresher training sessions and motorbike advance driving training.
- 5.5 Violent Crime – There had been a 10% rise in Serious Assault, which Chief Inspector McLean clarified was partly due to a change in classification. However, over the same period, there had been a 15% decrease in violent crime. Initiatives to reduce the impact of violent crime continued such as the Best Bar None scheme, No Knives, Better Lives programme and the continuation of weekend, high visibility patrols in problem areas.
- 5.6 Antisocial Behaviour – The report detailed that there had been a 9% increase across all antisocial behaviour categories apart from disturbances. Chief Inspector McLean quantified, that the increase was in relation to antisocial communications e.g. texts, apps and Facebook. The Police Community Action Team (CAT) was working with the Safer Communities Team to target individuals and key areas. Racially aggravated conduct had slightly decreased and the 94% detection rate was a positive reflection of the work being undertaken by police and partner agencies.

- 5.7 Drugs and Alcohol Misuse – Chief Inspector McLean advised that there had been an increase in drug related deaths. Police Scotland had achieved success in severely disrupting supply and positive lines of enquiry were continuing.
- 5.8 Protecting People – There had been a 2% reduction in missing person incidents. Chief Inspector McLean clarified the classification grades, explaining the difference between low, medium and high grade incidents and the differing response dependent on classification. He also referred to the vulnerable persons' database which allowed the police to flag up concerns to relevant support agencies.
- 5.9 Acquisitive Crime – There had been a 10% increase. However, the last quarter had seen a decrease. Prevention played an important role and Chief Inspector McLean highlighted the road check programme and fast response vehicle which had contributed to the decline.
- 5.10 Demand & Analysis - There had been 31,473 incidents reported, a 7% increase since 2016/17. Of these incidents, 3,448 were reports of crime which highlighted the number of incidents which were not crime related and connected to mental health issues or supporting people in distress. This was reflected nationally.
- 5.11 Chief Inspector McLean concluded his report by advising that during the period, Police Scotland had received 105 complaints, with 114 separate allegations. There was a mix of reasons for the complaints, which could not be disclosed because of confidentiality. However, for an area as large as the Scottish Borders the number of complaints was considered low.
- 5.12 In response to a question regarding unregistered charity bags being delivered to householders, Chief Inspector McLean advised that every incidence was investigated in conjunction with Trading Standards. With regard to cybercrime, Chief Superintendent Clark advised that if an area was being targeted the public were made aware. She highlighted that, due to implementation of the new banking protocol, a bank fraud had recently been prevented. Regarding over 65s refresher driving training, Chief Inspector McLean explained that attendees were given information on alternatives to driving and that GPs could advise patients on their fitness to drive. Referring to the support offered to children using drugs and/or alcohol, Chief Inspector McLean clarified that support was linked through schools and there was also referrals made to Social Work. The Board then discussed the sharing of information on crime matters and it was noted that it would be useful for the NHS to be included.
- 5.13 The Chairman thanked Chief Superintendent Clark and Chief Inspector McLean for their attendance and report. He advised that Councillor McAteer was pursuing the upgrading of CCTV and the Board would receive an update at the next meeting.

DECISION

NOTED:

- (a) That an overview on the increase in drug related deaths be presented to the Board;**
 - (b) That a briefing on the armed response deployment model be presented to the Board at a future meeting; and**
 - (c) The Chairman, Councillor McAteer, would update on CCTV at the next meeting.**
6. **POLICE COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM (CAT)**
- 6.1 Chief Inspector McLean then gave a briefing on the work of the Police Community Action Team (CAT). He explained that the CAT was funded by the Council and comprised one sergeant and six officers. The CAT was in addition to Police Scotland's current

establishment and would not be deployed to routine calls or events. The CAT Strategic Oversight Group made decisions as to what the CAT's priorities were and would also analyse effectiveness. Chief Inspector McLean provided a summary of the CAT's first two months' activity which included issuing 175 parking tickets, alcohol seizures, drug searches, issuing of antisocial behaviour orders and engaging with the needle exchange programme.

- 6.2 In response to questions, Chief Inspector McLean advised that they were considering joint training packages with other organisations to exchange information. Mrs Simpson advised that the voluntary sector would be interested in receiving a briefing on the work of the CAT and would forward a list of meeting dates to Chief Inspector McLean out with the meeting. It was noted that any issues for the CAT should be referred, in the first instance, to the Safer Communities & Community Justice Manager - Mr Graham Jones, who would take forward for consideration by the CAT Strategic Oversight Group. Mr Scott indicated that the CAT's performance monitoring report process was under development and its reports would be submitted to the Board and the Council's Executive.

DECISION

NOTED:

- (a) The work of the Police Community Action Team (CAT); and**
- (b) That the CAT's performance monitoring process was under development and its reports would be submitted to the Board and the Council's Executive.**

7. PROGRESS REPORTS/UPDATES ON SERVICE MATTERS - SCOTTISH FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

- 7.1 There had been circulated copies of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Services (SFRS) Local Plan Performance Report. Local Senior Officer (LSO) Gourlay began his report by updating on the SFRS transformation programme, advising that progress on this was linked to negotiations on pay and conditions between the Fire Brigade Union and the UK employers. He further advised that the new dedicated training and health & wellbeing facility was expected to be completed by the end of the year and an update would be presented to the next meeting. He mentioned that it would be worthwhile for Board members to visit the facility and that could be organised in due course. It was noted that Mr Scott Forbes had recently retired from the SFRS and the Board expressed their thanks for his contribution to the SFRS and the work of the Board. In response to questions, LSO Gourlay advised that SFRS were constantly reviewing and investing in its transport fleet. In terms of shift management, it was the intention to build a whole-time shift pattern of four days on and four day off as its core.
- 7.2 LSO Gourlay then presented the SFRS Local Plan Performance Report for the period 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018, copies of which had been circulated with the Agenda. In summary:
- 7.3 Reduction of 'Dwelling Fires' – There had been 100 dwelling fires recorded, an increase from nine the previous year. A number of the incidents had been extinguished prior to SFRS attendance, highlighting the importance of early warning devices in reducing casualties.
- 7.4 Reduction of 'All fire casualties (fatal & non-fatal)'. There had been 17 casualties over the period including one fatality. In response to a question, LSO Gourlay explained the risk assessment process and the categorisation of properties into low, medium and high risk. He advised that partnership working was important to identify those at greatest risk from fire, which often resulted in cross agency referrals of joint home safety visits. There were also additional audits carried out when national incidents occur. For example, the Cameron House Hotel fire at Loch Lomond had resulted in risk assessments being refreshed for all similar types of premises. With regard to compliance with fire safety

regulations, LSO Gourlay advised that if a property did not comply with the required legislation, the SFRS would enforce compliance and ultimately could prohibit use of the premises.

- 7.5 Reduction of 'All deliberate fires excluding dwellings' - There had been 150 incidents during 2017/18, 40% of which occurred in the Galashiels and District Ward.
- 7.6 Reduction of 'Special Service - RTCs' – There had been a 10% decrease from the previous year. However, road traffic collisions within the Scottish Borders were still above the national average.
- 7.7 Reduction of 'Special Service Casualties – All' – There had been 95 Special Service casualties during the period; an analysis of incidents was detailed in the report.
- 7.8 Reduction of 'False Alarm – Equipment Failure' – There were 885 unwanted firm alarm signals (UFAS) during the year, equipment failure accounted for 602 of these. LSO Gourlay explained that there was a significant cost (approx £1,900.) associated with attendance at an UFAS. Last year 56% of SFRS activity had been responding to UFASs of which 12% were from primary and secondary schools. Although the SFRS had engaged with schools to attempt to resolve the issue, UFASs continued. The SFRS were now considering an initiative that would reduce SFRS's attendance at schools. Schools would still be required to carry out a full evacuation, however educational disruption and road risk would be minimised. The SFRS would be discussing their proposals with the Chief Executive and would update the Board at the next meeting. In response to a question, Mr Girrity advised that responsibility for UFASs lay with the property owner.
- 7.9 LSO Gourlay concluded by referring to SFRS partnership working, highlighting the success of the Drivewise initiative. He also referred to a Staying Safe event which had been held at Hawick Fire Station. The event had been successful, delivering medical advice, safety and CPR training, it was anticipated that this event would now be extended across the Scottish Borders.
- 7.10 The Chairman thanked LSO Gourlay and Group Manager Girrity for their attendance and report and noted their concerns around UFASs, particularly in relation to schools.

DECISION

NOTED:

- (a) **The report;**
- (b) **The concern at the number of UFASs;**
- (c) **That an update on discussions on the proposals to minimise attendance at UFASs at schools be presented to the next meeting; and**
- (d) **An update on the new training facility would be provided at the next meeting.**

8. SCOTTISH AMBULANCE SERVICE

Mr John Alexander, Head of Ambulance Service East Region, gave a brief overview of the operation of the ambulance service in the Scottish Borders. He explained that there were five ambulance stations, covering emergency and patient transport. With regard to initiatives, they were working with the NHS on a Falls Strategic Group and a CPD pathway. They had also established specialist paramedics who were integrated with local health centres and highly trained in assessment. The Scottish Ambulance Service was currently being reviewed by an external agency to ensure it could meet future demand. The Chairman thanked Mr Alexander for his attendance and overview of the Service.

DECISION

NOTED the report.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11.20 am and reconvened at 11.30 am.

9. SAFER COMMUNITIES UPDATE AND KEY ACTIVITIES

- 9.1 There had been circulated copies of the Safer Communities Performance Report covering the period 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018. Ms Andrea Beavon, Violence Against Women Coordinator, presented the report and highlighted key points:-
- 9.2 Priority 1 – Reduce the level and Impact of Gender Based Violence through effective partnership working. During the period there had been a 70% increase in referrals to the Domestic Abuse Advocacy Service (DAAS). This was attributable to the new referral mechanism from Police Scotland and an increased awareness of the Service among client groups. Key areas of pressure included the introduction of new domestic abuse legislation and an increase in self-referrals locally
- 9.3 Priority 2 – Reduce the level and impact of Substance Misuse through effective partnership working. Ms Beavon highlighted the success of Best Bar None, the underage drinking initiative, the 'Don't Buy It, Don't Supply It' campaign and advised that work was underway to refresh the Arrest Referral Scheme.
- 9.4 Priority 3 – Reduce the level and impact of crime and antisocial behaviour through effective partnership working - There had been a slight increase in referrals to the mediation service but a decline in the outcome of results. This was linked to a change in working practice around identification of suitable disputes for mediation. Key activities were the Safer Internet Day, aimed at keeping school children safe online, and the Young Farmers led crime and fire safety event. In response to a question regarding mediation in respect of neighbouring disputes, Ms Mulloy advised that ultimately the focus of solutions was on residents remaining in their own homes.
- 9.5 Priority 4 – Reduce the level and impact of poor driving behaviour through effective partnership working – Motorcycle accidents continued to increase, the circumstances of each accident was considered with a view to making the road networks safer. Key activities during the period included an advanced motorists' event held in conjunction the SFRS.
- 9.6 Priority 5 – Reduce the level and impact of accidents in the home through effective partnership working – The Living Safely in The Home project in the Cheviot locality had been a success and would be rolled out to the Teviot and Liddesdale area. A single point of contact had been agreed with the NHS which would sustain the resilience of referrals.
- 9.7 In response to questions, Ms Beavon explained that tackling domestic abuse included focused prevention work with children and young people in schools to ensure that they are able to identify healthy and unhealthy behaviours in relationships. Ms Beavon also referred to the Caledonian System, which had been running for a number of years in the Borders and delivered by Criminal Justice. This was a Court ordered programme for men, aimed at changing their behaviour and reducing the risk of harm to women and children. With regard to funding, Ms Beavon advised that currently the Safer Communities Team had 12 members of staff delivering specialist domestic abuse support services, all of which had significant investment from external funders (Big Lottery and Scottish Government). Funding for these services would end in 2020. With regard to the Domestic Abuse Disclosure Scheme, the DASS encouraged use of the Scheme and there had been 10 applications processed by Police Scotland in the last 12 months. Ms Beavon further advised that there was no evidence that alcohol caused violent or abusive behaviour to partners. The Chairman thanked Ms Beavon for the informative report.

DECISION

NOTED the report.

10. **EQUALLY SAFE - PRESENTATION**

- 10.1 Ms Beavon followed her report by giving a presentation on Equally Safe. Ms Beavon explained that Equally Safe had been launched in 2016, the vision of which was to ensure women and children were free from all forms of violence and abuse and the attitudes that helped to perpetuate it. Ms Beavon said the reporting structure and that delivery of the Strategy was through partnership working with key partners in the public, private and third sectors including NHS Borders, Police Scotland, Border Women's Aid and Children 1st.
- 10.2 Ms Beavon then detailed the four equally safe priorities: Priority 1 was embracing equality and mutual respect and rejecting all forms of violence. Delivery of this priority included supporting positive media reporting and guidance for journalists. There was also the opportunity for children/young people to shape the services they had access to e.g. Children Experiencing Domestic Abuse Recovery (CEDAR) participation worker. Priority 2 concerned social cultural, economic and political equality. This priority would work to ensure women's needs in relation to transport and communications were considered. Assistance was also given to employers to develop workplace policies to support staff. Priority 3 related to early and effective interventions to prevent violence and maximise safety and wellbeing, this involved collaborative working towards a sustainable funding model and supporting the workforce to be more confident in responding to gender based violence. Priority 4 was focused on men desisting from all forms of violence and perpetrators of such violence receiving a robust and effective response, delivery of which involved engagement with partners and stakeholders to improve court outcomes for victims.
- 10.3 Ms Beavon went on to advise that the Equally Safe priorities for 2018/19 included increasing referrals from a wider range of partner agencies e.g. midwifery; developing policies and practice frameworks e.g. Forced Marriage and Trafficking (FMT) and supporting service user involvement. Incidents of domestic abuse reported to Police Scotland for 2017/18 numbered 1,080, and this was expected to continue to increase over the next three years. Going forward strategic considerations included reviewing how public protection would continue to be delivered in the Scottish Borders and securing funding to maintain existing domestic abuse services.
- 10.4 In response to questions, Ms Beavon advised that with regard to Female Genital Mutilation (FGM), no charges had been brought against anyone in Scotland. With regard to information sharing, Ms Beavon advised that high risk cases were flagged to all partner agencies through the MARAC process. In respect of changes in attitude towards domestic violence, Ms Beavon explained that historically women did not report incidents but now they had the confidence to access services they could trust. The Chairman thanked Ms Beavon for the interesting presentation and congratulated the Safer Communities Team on the Equally Safe project.

DECISION

NOTED the presentation.

11. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and advised that the next meeting was scheduled to take place on Friday 31 August 2018 at 9.30 am.

DECISION

NOTED.

The meeting concluded at 12.15 pm

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Scrutiny Report

1st April 2018 – 30th June 2018



Scottish Borders

The data provided in this report is for information purposes to allow Partnership Members to conduct their scrutiny responsibilities. Due to delayed reporting or recording of crimes, incidents or road accidents there may be minor amendments between the information in this report and the final Police Scotland statistics. The extraction date from recording systems can also differ so it would not be appropriate to refer to, quote or use any data in the report as official statistics.

Data contained in this report should only be used to identify trends as figures are likely to change over time.



INTRODUCTION

This document is intended to provide a summary and brief assessment of performance in the Scottish Borders Command Area for the Quarter 1 period of 01/04/2018 – 31/03/2019.

The report references the themes from Scottish Borders Community Planning Partnerships Local Outcomes Improvement Plan and the aligned priorities within the Local Policing Plan for the Scottish Borders, namely:-

- Domestic Abuse
- Road Safety
- Violent Crime
- Anti-Social Behaviour
- Drug and Alcohol Misuse
- Protecting People
- Acquisitive Crime

All data is sourced from Police Scotland internal systems and is correct as of 2nd July, 2018

DOMESTIC ABUSE

Domestic Abuse Incidents	Apr-June 2017	Apr-June 2018	Change
	271	269	-0.7%



This reduction in domestic abuse incidents positively reflects the work being carried out by police and partner agencies in tackling the perpetrators of domestic abuse in the Scottish Borders.

Proportion of Domestic Abuse Incidents which become Domestic Abuse Crimes	Apr-June 2017	Apr-June 2018	Change
	42.4%	36.1%	- 6.3%



This reduction positively reflects on the work being carried out by police and partner agencies to intervene at an early stage reducing the risk of behaviour becoming criminal.

Domestic Abuse – Achieving Priorities and Outcomes

1st April 2018 – 30th June 2018

We continue to work with our partner agencies to reduce the harm caused by domestic abuse in the Scottish Borders.

We are achieving this by:

Introducing improved technology to support victims of domestic abuse. TecSOS technology unlike the vigilant alarm system is not limited to the home and can be used across the UK and in some countries in Europe.



Continuing to work with our partners through the MARAC, MAPPA, MATAAC, MAC and DAAS process to identify and support victims, identify and target offenders, and identify and support children living in an environment where there is domestic abuse.

Continuing to submit comprehensive reports to the procurator fiscal in relation to all domestic abuse crimes.

Continuing to complete risk assessments which assist in reducing the risk to victims and offering appropriate support.

Continuing to proactively check bail conditions of perpetrators of domestic abuse ensuring they adhere to their conditions reducing the risk to victims.

ROAD SAFETY

Road Casualties



	Apr-June 2017	Apr-June 2018	Change
Fatal	2	2	0%
Serious	14	15	+7.1%
Slight	46	34	- 26.1%
KSI	16	17	+6.3%
Children Seriously Injured	0	2	-

It is positive to see that there is a 26.1% decrease in slight injuries, this equates to 12 less people injured. Although it is disappointing to have an increase in serious injuries the 7.1% equates to an actual increase of 1.

Road Safety – Achieving Priorities and Outcomes

1st April 2018 – 30th June 2018

We continue to work on reducing road accidents and casualties within the Scottish Borders through prevention and influencing road user behaviour.

We are achieving this by:

Maintaining our commitment to Drivewise Borders which has positively influenced the behaviour of over 1000 residents. A new programme has been introduced to enhance safer driving practices for motorcyclists.

Working in partnership with councillors, SBC officials and residents utilising measures such as speed checks and road engineering to reduce the risk in areas that have been identified as problematic.

Continuing to carry out static and rolling road checks, using the opportunity to influence driver behaviour and provide a visible presence on our roads.

Deploying 'Pop up Bob' (life size image of police officer) as well as officers with hand held radars in areas where speeding is an identified issue.

Continuing to carry out multi agency road checks which focus on ensuring commercial vehicles are adhering to regulations reducing the risk to road users.

Continuing to utilise equipment such as noise recording devices for exhausts to engage and positively influencing younger driver's behaviour.

Supporting the National Motorcycle Safety Plan by carrying out targeted patrols on our arterial routes engaging with local and visiting motorcyclist to provide advice and guidance positively influencing their driver behaviour.

Carrying out Operation 'Loose the Blinkers' which raises awareness of safe driving practices in relation to horses on our roads.

VIOLENT CRIME

Serious Assault (Group 1) crime rate per 10,000 population	Apr-June 2017	Apr-June 2018	Change
	1.2	0.7	- 41.7%



This 41% reduction positively reflects on the work being carried out by police and partners to reduce violence in the Scottish Borders. As a result 6 less people have been subjected to a serious assault.

Violent Crime – Achieving Priorities and Outcomes

1st April 2018 – 30th June 2018

We continue to work on reducing the harm caused by violent crime within private and public areas of our community and reduce the impact of serious and organised crime.

We are achieving this by:

Introducing a SOCG Governance Group to enhance the interdepartmental response to Serious and Organised Crime. This group maintains the divisions focus on the National Divert, Deter, Detect and Disrupt SOC strategy and ensures best practice is available for all areas to implement.

Delivering educational inputs in schools, more specifically an updated version of 'The Slide' video shows young people the implications of their choices on themselves, their families and the wider community.



Carrying out intelligence led stop and searches targeting individuals believed to be carrying weapons.

Pro-actively checking violent offenders are adhering to their bail conditions.

Monitoring and adapting our deployment plans to ensure we can robustly police the night time economy especially throughout the challenging period of local Common Ridings and Festivals.

Carrying out regular licensed premises check engaging with staff to ensure they are adhering to licensing objectives as well as identify any areas of concern at an early stage.

Continuing to work in partnership through the MATAC and MAPPA process to target the behaviour of violent offenders.

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Anti-social Behaviour Incidents per 10,000 population	Apr-June 2017	Apr-June 2018	Change
	138	131	- 5.1%



There has been a fall in all anti-social behaviour incidents by 5.1%. Of note there has been a decrease in ASB communication incidents by 7.5% which is encouraging after the increase in the last quarter.

Racially Aggravated Conduct per 10,000 population	Apr-June 2017	Apr-June 2018	Change
	0.3	0.4	+ 33.3%



The increase of 33.3% in racially aggravated conduct amounts to 2 extra incidents in the 3 month period. This can be attributed to victims having more confidence in reporting these crimes to the Police.

Anti-social Behaviour – Achieving Priorities and Outcomes 1st April 2018 – 30th June 2018

We are working to reduce the instances of harm caused by anti-social behaviour within our community and highlight how it impacts on the wider community.

We are achieving this by:

Working in partnership with Street Pastors to identify and reduce the risks to members of the community enjoying the night time economy.

Continuing to work in partnership with SBC to implement the anti-social behaviour process which successfully targets prolific offenders.



Robustly investigating allegations of hate crime, providing support to victims and reporting offenders seeking appropriate bail conditions.

Working in partnership to provide 3rd Party Reporting Centre's. Staff within center's have been trained to assist a victim or witness in submitting a report to the police and can make such a report on their behalf.

Continuing to provide inputs at schools to educate and highlight the impact of hate crime on all members of the community.

Attending the Borders LGBT group, supporting events in the Scottish Borders.

Continuing to work in partnership with SBC, Victim Support and RSLs to identify anti-social behaviour issues, produce a response, reduce the impact on victims and target repeat offenders.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL MISUSE

Drug and Substance Misuse

We are working to reduce the harm caused by drug and alcohol misuse within the community and educate people about the impact that serious and organised crime groups have on drug misuse.

We are achieving this by:

Attending partnership training to ensure our officers are kept up to date with current drug trends.

Supporting the delivery of the “Smashed” programme in Scottish Borders schools. “Smashed” is an Alcohol Awareness & Education Programme delivered by Collingwood Learning Solutions.

Working with partners prior to events and festivals such as Melrose 7s and Riverside Rock to emphasise the responsibility on retail premises, licensed premises and event organisers to ensure initiatives such as Challenge 25 and Don't Buy, Don't Supply are being adhered to.



Pro-actively targeting the misuse of drugs at public events such as Kelso Races. This operation utilised drugs dogs, licensing officers and plain clothes officers to carry out searches on persons suspected of possessing drugs. As a result a number of people were reported for possession of Class A and B drugs.

Continuing to gather intelligence and where appropriate apply for misuse of drugs warrants. As a result of house searches there has been a number of seizures of both Class A and Class B drugs across the Scottish Borders.

Continuing to engage with drug users discussing the risks and wider implications of drugs misuse as well as signposting to local services.

Working in partnership with Royal Mail to target importation of drugs via postal services. As a result of work with the Post Office in Galashiels packages have been intercepted and a number of people have been reported to the procurator fiscal.

PROTECTING PEOPLE

Missing Person Incidents	Apr-June 2017	Apr-June 2018	Change
	142	173	+21.8%



Early identification of a possible missing person assists in achieving a positive outcome. The increase in missing persons is a positive reflection on the work being carried by the police and partner agencies identifying missing persons from an early stage.

Protecting People – Achieving Priorities and Outcomes 1st April 2018 – 30th June 2018

We are working to reduce the harm and instances of harm to persons ‘at risk’ within our local community by education, enforcement and signposting and collaboration.

We are achieving this by:

Collating all the Missing Person protocols from partner agencies to ensure we are working together to reduce instances of missing persons within the Scottish Borders.

Continuing to deal promptly and thoroughly with reports of missing persons or concerns for adults and children at risk. Ensuring that on every occasion the relevant referrals are made to the appropriate agencies and specially trained officers are utilised to support victims.



Continuing to pilot the Distress Brief Intervention scheme in partnership with NHS Borders and SAMH. This scheme has been positively received and has resulted in positive interventions for residents in the Scottish Borders.

Continuing with our focus on doorstep crime, especially crimes targeting the vulnerable and elderly. There have been roadshows as well as reassurance visits to previous victims. We have also used Social Media to remind the public about the importance of reporting these incidents.

Continue to work in partnership with Banks and Trading Standards to deliver the Banking Protocol initiative which aims to identify vulnerable victims who are being defrauded out of funds.

Providing training to officers on Alcohol Related Brain Damage (ARBD) highlighting that the symptoms are similar to that of dementia and appropriate signposting to support groups for the individual could be instrumental in their recovery.

ACQUISITIVE CRIME

Housebreaking and Theft (Group 3) crime rate per 10,000 population	Apr-June 2017	Apr-June 2018	Change
	5.8	4.2	-27.6%



This 27.6% decrease positively reflects the work the police and the community have been doing to increase security and deter criminals. As result 19 fewer premises have been broken into in the Scottish Borders.

Acquisitive Crime – Achieving Priorities and Outcomes 1st April 2018 – 30th June 2018

We are working to reduce the harm caused to individuals within the Scottish Borders and the financial loss to the wider community, with prevention playing a hugely important role.

We are achieving this by:

Continuing to conduct road checks on our main arterial routes to detect, disrupt and deter criminals travelling into our area.

Enhancing relations with Police Forces within Northern England to share information on travelling criminals who target all force areas.

Continuing to provide crime prevention advice and surveys for businesses and residents across the Scottish Borders.



Continuing to use media outlets to alert residents about scams and opportunistic thieves in the area and provide the relevant crime prevention advice.

Utilising our antisocial behaviour process to identify individuals who may benefit from the nominated neighbour scheme and further prevention advice regarding bogus callers in partnership with Trading Standards.

Attending events such as the Tweedlove Festival providing information on security marking of bicycles to prevent thefts. The opportunity was used to provide attendees with crime prevention advice.

Working in partnership with Architects to ensure that new social housing and public buildings are designed in such a way that they prevent or reduce the risk of crime.

DEMAND & ANALYSIS

Crimes Reported	Apr-June 2017	Apr-June 2018	Change
	942	891	-5.4%

A decrease in crime is always positive as fewer people have suffered the negative impact crime has on the community. However this reduction in crime does not correlate to a reduction in demand for police in the Scottish Borders. A significant proportion of the work we carry out does not end with a crime report submitted, for example many incidents where concerns for the wellbeing of a person result in numerous hours of searching, attending hospitals and completely the appropriate referrals to partner agencies for support.



SCOTTISH
FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

Working together for a safer Scotland

Report to: The Scottish Borders Police, Fire and Rescue and
Community Safety Board

Date: 31st August 2018

Report By: Area Manager Steve Gourlay

Subject: Newbridge Training Project

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To provide the Board with information relating to the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) project to build a state of the art world class training facility for the East of Scotland at Newbridge, Edinburgh.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That Scottish Borders Police, Fire and Rescue and Community Safety Board notes the contents of this report.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 It is well recognised that the risks facing firefighters require specialist practical training. In terms of a suitable hot fire training environment a number of issues, including geography, the environment and suitable facilities have presented the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service with challenges.
- 3.2 Utilising a location, on the West side of the existing East Service Delivery Headquarters and Asset Resource Centre at Newbridge, a build project to provide a dedicated training facility is underway.

4 NEWBRIDGE TRAINING PROJECT:

4.1 On Thursday 8 March we broke ground on a new multi-million pound training centre at Newbridge, Edinburgh.

The £12million investment to enhance the safety of Scotland's communities is scheduled for completion in March 2019.

The state-of-the-art hub will be used to train more than 1600 frontline firefighters annually, benefiting 60 community fire stations - from the Scottish Borders to Stirling and Fife forming just one part of an extensive SFRS training network.

Talking about the project Chief Officer Alasdair Hay said: "There can be no clearer indication of our commitment to both our communities and our firefighters than the significant investment in this new training facility.



"It will ensure that our firefighters are trained to work through some of the most hostile environments and disaster scenarios - and reach people at times of need - using the very latest simulation technology.

"Today's firefighter has to be properly trained and equipped to not only respond to our core duty but new and emerging risks such as terrorism and a growing elderly population increasingly calling on our support to stay safe.

"This is a momentous occasion as we continue to move forward in also harnessing the very latest firefighting technologies, setting the benchmark of a truly world class fire and rescue service."

4.2 FACTS AND FIGURES

- 12 million is being invested in the site at Newbridge *inclusive of VAT
- It will be used to train more than 1600 firefighters each year
- More than 60 community fire stations will benefit from the new state of the art technology at the training centre
- Firefighters will train in temperatures up to 600C
- 6550 cubic meters of muck/topsoil has been moved*
- 510 cubic meters of concrete has been poured*
- 1KM of drainage has been laid*
- 620 cubic meters of tar has been laid*
- 105 tonnes of structural steel has been erected*
- 580m of kerbing has been laid*

*Figures accurate as of 31 May 2018

4.3 PROGRESS ON TARGET

Milestones

- **Partial Handover to SFRS of Technical Support Building & Road Traffic Collision Buildings** :Monday 10th December 2018
- **Construction complete, handover to SFRS** :Monday 18th March 2019



4.5 PLANNED FACILITIES AND IMAGES:

- Classroom learning
- Road traffic collision (RTC)
- Compartment fire behaviour training (CFBT)
- Domestic building training
- Drill square
- Industrial and commercial buildings
- Urban search and rescue training area – (Tunnels, Rubble Pile, Sewer)
- Petrochemical facility
- Silo
- Working at heights/rope rescue facility

Technical support building

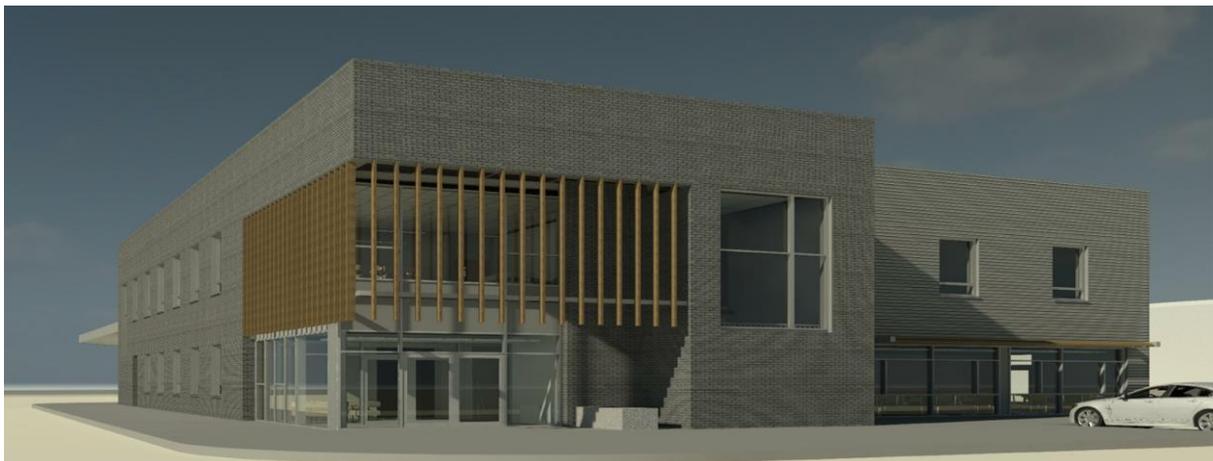


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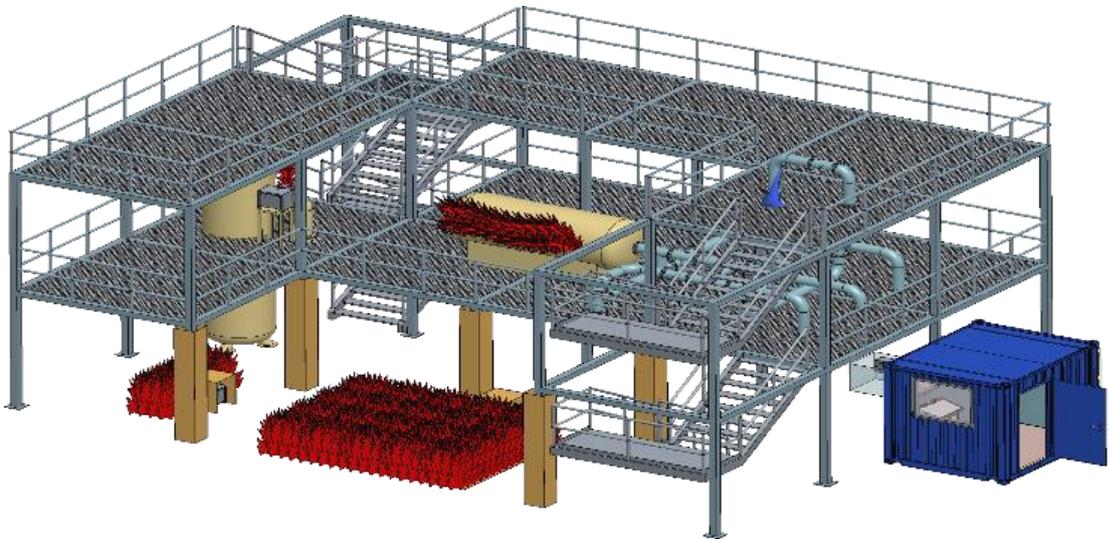
Road Traffic Collision Training Building





All for illustration purposes only: final specifications to be agreed

Petrochem Facility



Working at heights/Silo





Report to:
Scottish Borders Council
Police, Fire and Rescue & Safer Communities Board

SUBJECT: PERFORMANCE REPORT 1ST APRIL 2018 TO 30TH JUNE 2018

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The attached reports provide the year to date (YTD) performance data from April 2018 to June 2018 including performance data in addition to the performance report for Prevention and Protection activities for the same period.

2. OUTPUTS

- 2.1 The following identifies the headline outputs from April 2018 to June 2018.

Dwelling Fires

The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) attended 24 dwelling fires during the 1st quarter of this year, an increase of 5 from the same period last year.

Two of these fires were started deliberately.

46% of these fires originated in the kitchen with almost all of these involving cooking or cooking appliances.

Fire Casualties/Fatalities

There were 5 fire related casualties in the first quarter of 2018. This is one less than the same period last year.

Further analysis shows that four casualties went to hospital for precautionary checks suffering from smoke inhalation. One casualty received first aid at the scene and required no further treatment.

Deliberate Fire Setting (not including dwellings).

There were 45 deliberate fires in the first quarter of 2018, a decrease of 13 in comparison to the same period last year.

Breakdown of these figures shows Galashiels and District experiencing 27% of all deliberate fires across the Scottish Borders, however, this is a 62% decrease for the ward area compared to the same period last year.

The majority of the above fires involved grass, scrubland and woodland which may partly be attributable to the prolonged dry period during the quarter.

Road Traffic Collisions

During the first quarter of 2018 SFRS attended 16 Road Traffic Collisions (RTC's), 5 less than the same period last year.

There have been 8 RTC related casualties in the first quarter including one fatality.

On 4 occasions SFRS used Hydraulic Rescue Equipment to extricate casualties.

Special Service Casualties

The term "special service" is used for attendance at a number of non-fire related incidents, this includes, amongst others, RTC's, rescues from water and height, persons trapped in machinery or a lift, medical emergencies and effecting entry to a premises. The table below represents an overview of Special Service Casualties for 2018/19.

Special Service Type	Non-fatal	Fatal	Total
Effecting entry	4	0	4
Assist other agencies	3	0	3
RTC casualties	7	1	8
Other (water, flooding, Hazmat, release persons, etc.)	4	0	4
			19

Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals

UFAS calls consist of Equipment failure, False alarm good intent and False alarm malicious. The figure contained within the main report relates to Equipment failure only as this is the cause of the majority of UFAS incidents. The figures in the following tables represent all UFAS incidents.

Priority	Q1 2017-18	Q1 2018-19	+/-
Reduction of Dwelling Fires	19	24	+5
Reduction in Fire Fatalities and Casualties	6	5	-1
Reduction of Deliberate Fire Setting	68	45	-23

Reduction in Road Traffic Collisions	21	16	-5
Reduction of Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals	220	235	+15

3. PREVENTION & PROTECTION

See attached report

4. RECOMMENDATION

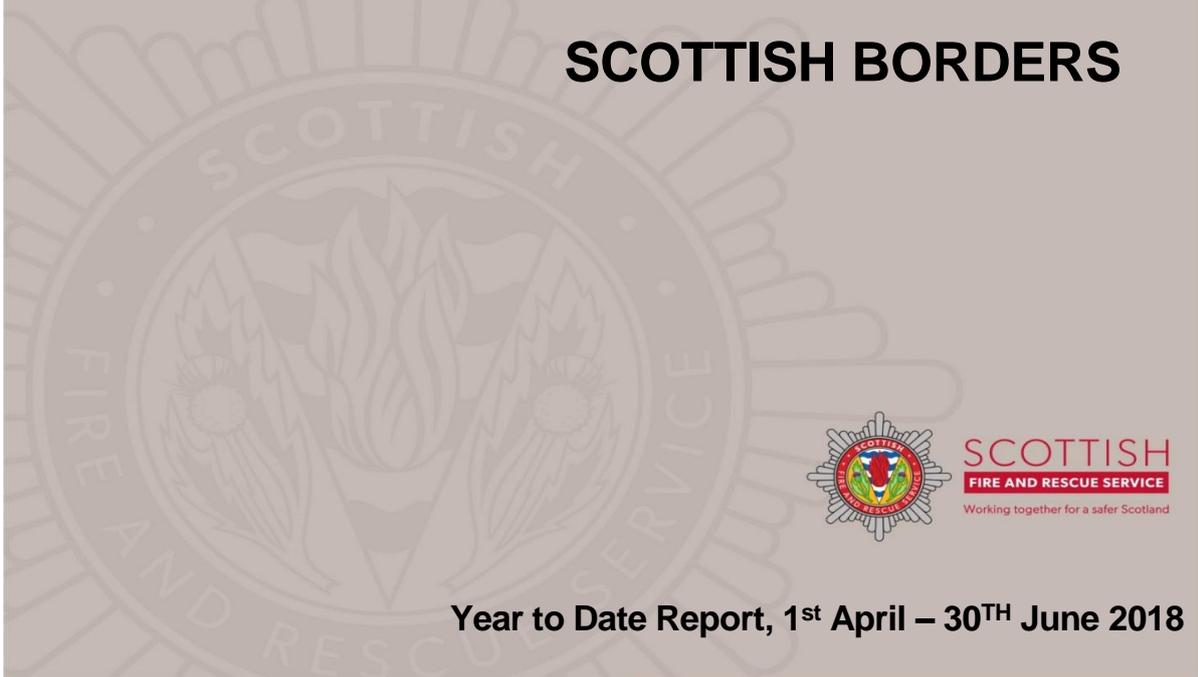
- 4.1 The Scottish Borders Police, Fire and Rescue and Safer Communities Board is invited to consider and otherwise to note the contents of the performance report.

STEPHEN GOURLAY
Local Senior Officer
Scottish Borders
31st August 2018

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LOCAL PLAN PERFORMANCE REPORT SCOTTISH BORDERS



SCOTTISH
FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE
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Year to Date Report, 1st April – 30th June 2018

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DISCLAIMER

The figures included in this report are provisional and subject to change as a result of quality assurance and review. The statistics quoted are internal management information published in the interests of transparency and openness.

The Scottish government publishes Official Statistics each year which allow for comparisons to be made over longer periods of time.

Please ensure any external partners in receipt of these reports are aware of this.

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Introduction

The priorities contained within the Local Fire and Rescue Plan and our strategies for service delivery are clearly aligned to the Community Planning Structure, which supports the delivery of the Community Planning Partnership priorities and activities in the Scottish Borders. The priorities in the Local Fire and Rescue Plan also contribute to Scottish Governments National Outcome, O9: We live our lives safe from crime, disorder and danger.

The aims of the local Fire & Rescue Service in the Scottish Borders are to reduce fire deaths throughout the Scottish Borders area and to reduce injuries from fire and other emergencies in the community. We aim to achieve this by working in partnership, being pro-active and targeting our prevention and protection activities to where they are required, based on evidence.

Within the Community Fire and Rescue Plan for the Scottish Borders, five priorities for the local Fire and Rescue Service to work towards have been identified for 2018 (listed below).

1. As part of a Community Partnership approach, we will make people safer in their homes
2. We will promote Community Resilience whilst contributing to improved outcomes for people involved in non-fire emergencies
3. Together with our Community Partners, we will contribute to making Scottish Borders roads safer
4. As part of a Community Partnership, we will challenge Anti-social Behaviour
5. In partnership, we will aim to reduce the occurrence and impact of Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals.

Area Manager Stephen Gourlay, Local Senior Officer for the Scottish Borders

Performance Summary

We measure how well we are meeting our priorities using 6 key indicators, depicted below

Key performance indicator	Apr to (& incl.) Jun					RAG rating
	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	YTD
Dwelling fires	24	34	22	19	24	◆
All fire casualties (fatal & non-fatal (incl. p/c's))	5	7	6	6	5	●
All deliberate fires excl. dwellings	29	42	32	68	45	●
Special Service - RTCs	24	18	31	21	16	●
Special Service Casualties - All	17	24	58	24	19	●
False Alarm - Equipment failure	146	139	131	145	157	▲

RAG rating - KEY

◆	RED DIAMOND	10% higher than the previous YTD period, or local target not achieved.
▲	YELLOW TRIANGLE	Up to 9% higher than the previous YTD period, or local target not achieved.
●	GREEN CIRCLE	Equal to or improved upon the previous equivalent quarter (or YTD period), or local target achieved.

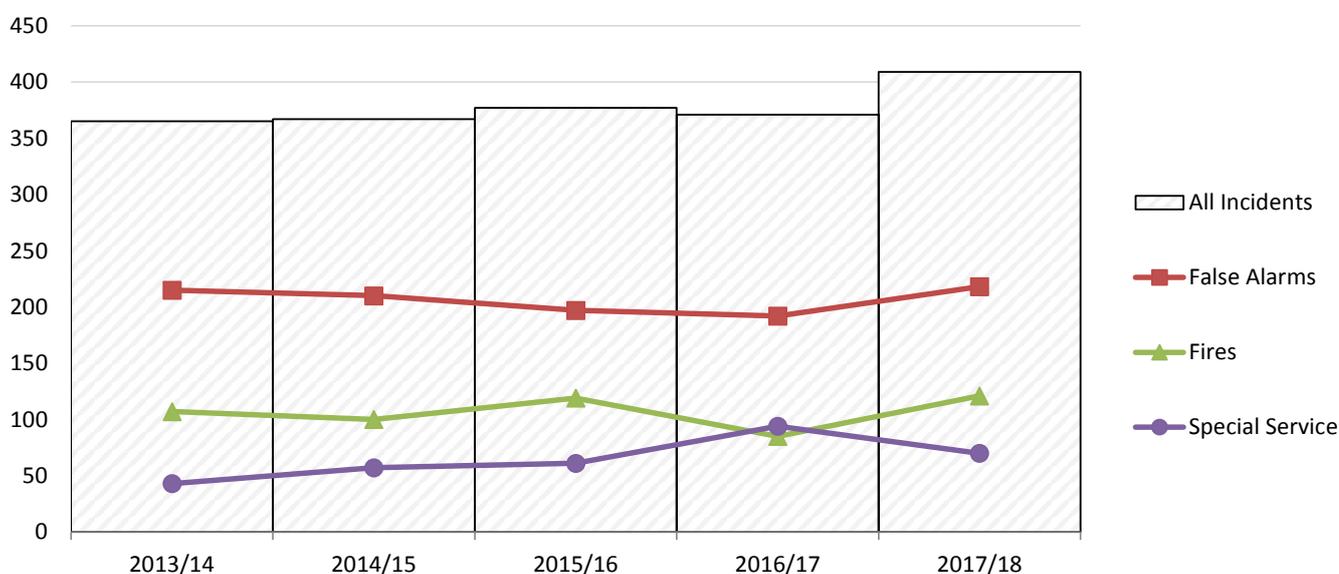
Note

Quarterly comparison RAG rating = the reporting period compared to the average of the three previous quarterly reporting periods
 Year to Date RAG rating = the cumulative total of all quarterly performance in current year compared to cumulative total of all quarterly performance in the previous year.

Incident Overview

During the YTD period 1st April to 30th June 2018, the SFRS responded to 427 incidents within the Scottish Borders, this is 11 more incidents than the same period last year. False alarms accounted for 55% of our emergency calls for the year so far.

The chart below illustrates incidents YTD attended within Scottish Borders council over the last 8 fiscal years



Progress on local fire & rescue plan priorities

Local Risk Management and Preparedness

The Service must identify, prioritise and plan to meet the risks in each local community.

We said we would:

- train our staff to deal with our local risks
- gather and analyse risk information
- work with partners to mitigate risks
- deal with major events

Train our staff to deal with our local risks

Our operational staff have continued to undertake routine and risk specific skill acquisition and maintenance training. During 2018-19, all firefighters in the Scottish Borders will participate within the Training for Operational Competence Programme. Current modules for the year to date period include Ladders, Water awareness, Incident Command, Health, Safety and Risk Management, Height and Petrochemical and Gases.

Gather and analyse risk information

Our operational staff continue to gather and analyse local risk information and operational intelligence which is used in our preparations to resolve incidents.

We conduct Post Incident Debriefs using a Structured Debrief Process to identify any lessons that can be learned from our preparedness and response to emergency events.

Work with partners to mitigate risks

We continue to be an active member of the Lothian and Borders Local Resilience Partnership.

We share information with local authority partners and other key stakeholders (e.g. Police Scotland) to ensure emergency risks are mitigated.

Deal with major events

The Service did not deal with any “major events” in the Scottish Borders during the reporting period.

Reduction of 'Dwelling fires'

Dwelling fires can have devastating effects on our communities. The reduction of dwelling fires, accidental or deliberate, continues to be a priority for the SFRS in the Scottish Borders. We adopt a targeted approach whilst sharing information with partners in order to drive down the risk of fire within local communities with an emphasis on those who are particularly vulnerable through age, isolation or addiction.

Results

We will seek a year on year reduction in dwelling fires, which will contribute towards the Scottish target of a 10% reduction, over a three-year rolling period.

There have been 24 dwelling fires recorded compared to 19 for the same YTD period last year, this represents a 26% increase. Two of these fires were started deliberately.

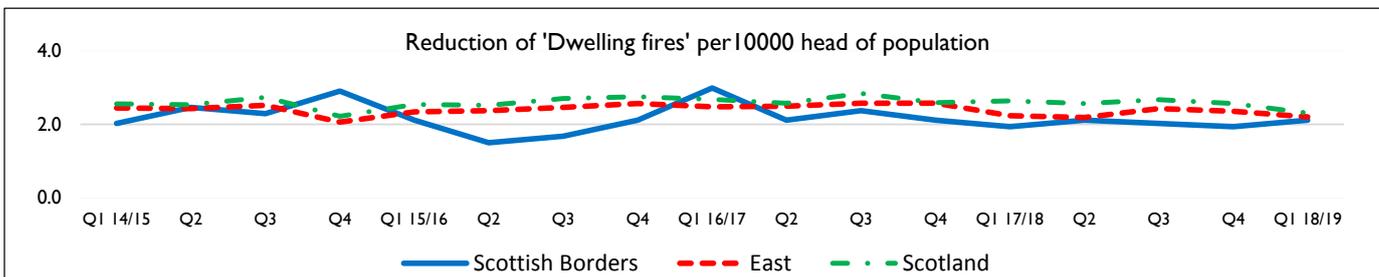
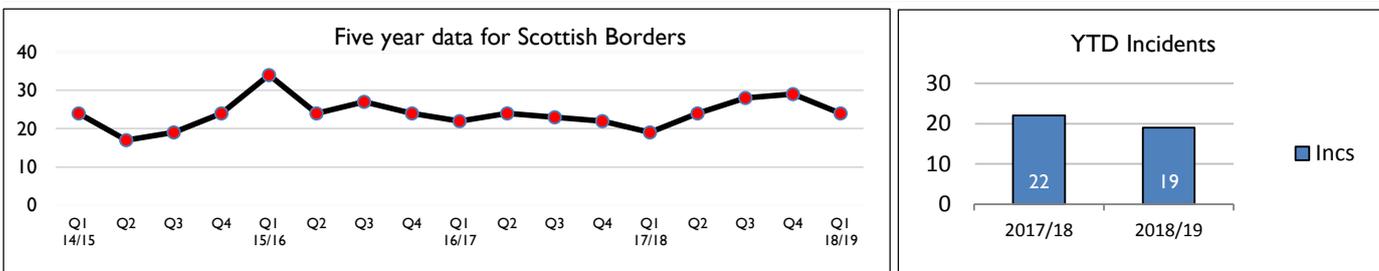
Reasons

Cooking accounted for nine of these dwelling fires with a further 4 attributable to careless disposal of smoking materials. Analysis highlights 46% of these incidents originated in the kitchen with 54% involving adults 18-64 years.

Actions

The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service conduct Post Domestic Incident Response (PDIR) following all domestic dwelling fires. We also work closely with partners in order to identify persons at risk from fire, this often results in cross agency referrals or joint home safety visits.

Serious fires are subject to detailed investigation and depending on the circumstances can result in multi-agency case conferences.



YTD ward ave. for Scottish Borders - 2	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Sparklines
Scottish Borders	24	34	22	19	24	
Tweeddale West	2	2	0	0	2	
Tweeddale East	1	2	0	0	2	
Galashiels & District	4	6	5	5	2	
Selkirkshire	3	2	3	2	4	
Leaderdale & Melrose	3	2	0	3	4	
Mid Berwickshire	4	3	3	2	3	
East Berwickshire	2	2	2	1	2	
Kelso & District	0	4	2	0	2	
Jedburgh & District	0	3	1	1	1	
Hawick & Denholm	4	2	3	2	1	
Hawick & Hermitage	1	3	3	3	1	

Reduction of 'All fire casualties (fatal & non-fatal (incl. p/c's))'

Fire casualty and fatality rates provide an indication of the amount of serious, life-threatening injuries that occur due to fire. This can indicate not only the success of SFRS in reducing the number of life risk fires through community fire safety and similar activities, but also their success in response activity in saving lives.

Results

We aim to reduce Fire Casualties in the Scottish Borders year on year contributing towards the SFRS target of reducing Fire Casualties by 5% per year, over a three-year rolling period. There have been 5 casualties in the YTD period, one less from the corresponding period last year.

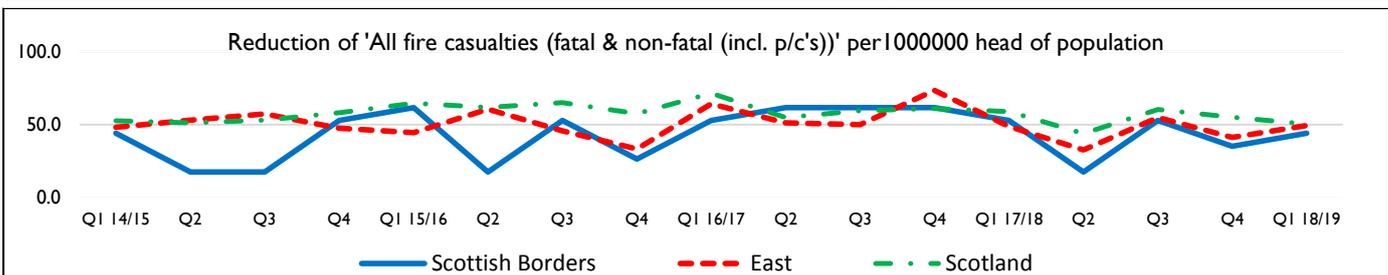
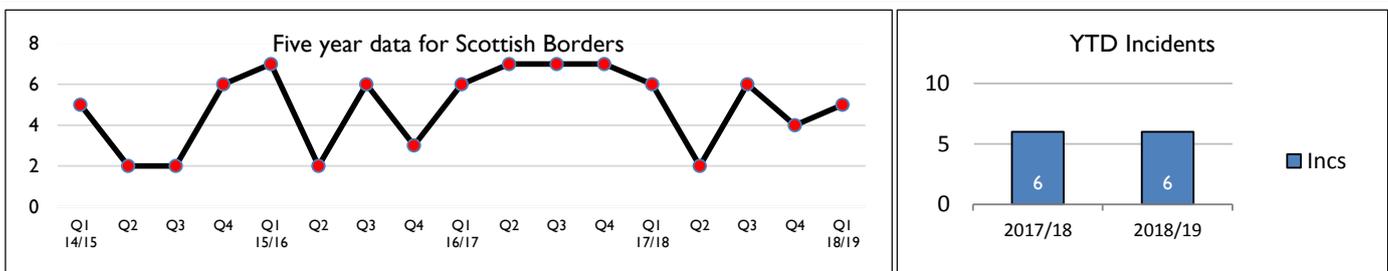
Four casualties were required to go to hospital and one required first aid only at the scene. SFRS crews administered oxygen on all occasions with two casualties aged between 10 to 19 years, two aged between 60 to 69 and one 50 to 59 years.

Reasons

All five casualties suffered slight smoke inhalation of varying degrees. Two when discovering the fire, one being bedridden and one deemed to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs. One casualty required rescuing by firefighters however they were led to safety and the use of breathing apparatus was not required.

Actions

The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service conduct a Post Domestic Incident Response (PDIR) following all domestic dwelling fires. This involves fire crews offering reassurance and fire safety advice to all households within the vicinity of the incident immediately or soon after the incident. Crews also proactively target 'at risk groups' including elderly people who are more likely to suffer a fire in their home.



YTD ward ave. for Scottish Borders - 0	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Sparklines
Scottish Borders	5	7	6	6	5	
Tweeddale West	0	1	0	0	1	
Tweeddale East	0	0	0	0	0	
Galashiels & District	0	1	0	2	0	
Selkirkshire	0	0	1	0	1	
Leaderdale & Melrose	0	1	1	1	1	
Mid Berwickshire	3	0	1	3	0	
East Berwickshire	1	0	1	0	0	
Kelso & District	0	1	1	0	2	
Jedburgh & District	0	2	0	0	0	
Hawick & Denholm	1	1	0	0	0	
Hawick & Hermitage	0	1	1	0	0	

Reduction of 'All deliberate fires excl. dwellings'

Reduction of Deliberate Fire Setting continues to be a priority for the SFRS in the Scottish Borders. Deliberate fires of this nature typically involve grassland, refuse or derelict buildings. Evidence shows that there is a close link between deliberate secondary fires and anti-social behaviour.

Results

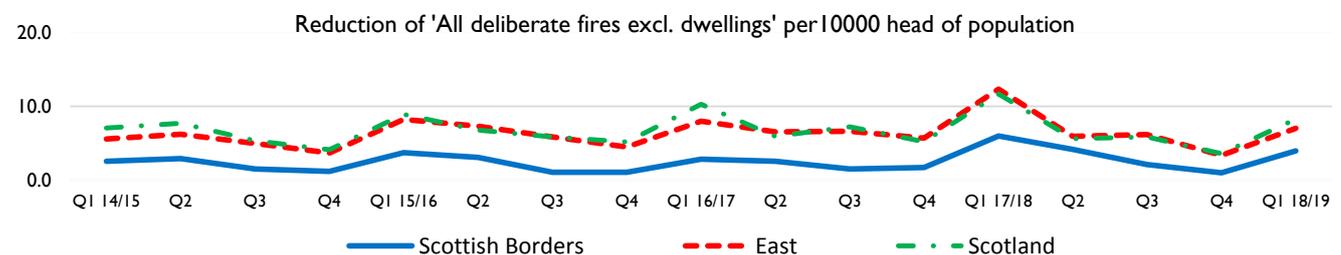
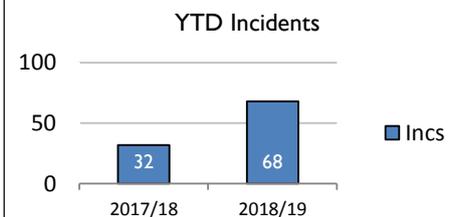
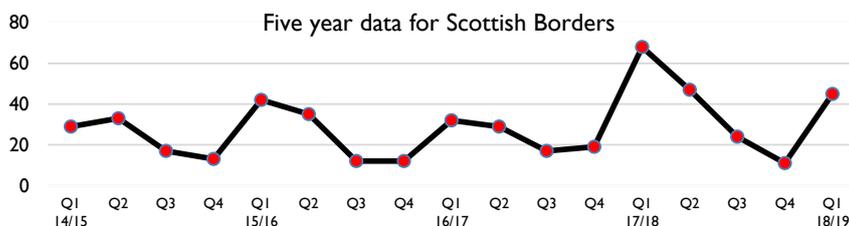
There have been 45 incidents of this nature in the YTD period, this is a 34% decrease for the same reporting period last year. This is a welcome decrease given the spike in deliberate fires across Scotland during the first quarter of last year.

Reasons

Refuse, grass, scrub and woodland accounted for 91% of all deliberate fires. 27% of these fires occurred in the Galashiels and District ward a 62% decrease for the ward from last year.

Actions

The SFRS carry out seasonal campaigns with the purpose of warning and educating the public regarding dangers, risks and safety measures. Where trends or patterns are identified, the SFRS will work with community partners to mitigate the risk of recurrence. Where required the SFRS offer a one to one service for young fire setters.



YTD ward ave. for Scottish Borders - 4	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Sparklines
Scottish Borders	29	42	32	68	45	
Tweeddale West	3	4	2	8	3	
Tweeddale East	2	11	6	3	4	
Galashiels & District	4	15	7	32	12	
Selkirkshire	6	0	1	5	1	
Leaderdale & Melrose	3	3	2	1	2	
Mid Berwickshire	1	0	1	4	2	
East Berwickshire	1	0	1	1	3	
Kelso & District	1	2	1	6	5	
Jedburgh & District	2	4	6	1	3	
Hawick & Denholm	4	2	3	5	5	
Hawick & Hermitage	2	2	2	2	5	

Reduction of 'Special Service - RTCs'

While much of this risk is out with the control of SFRS, responding to Road Traffic Collisions is a key part of our intervention activities. The SFRS is committed to working with partners and other stakeholders in order to reduce the amount of RTC's that occur in the Scottish Borders.

Results

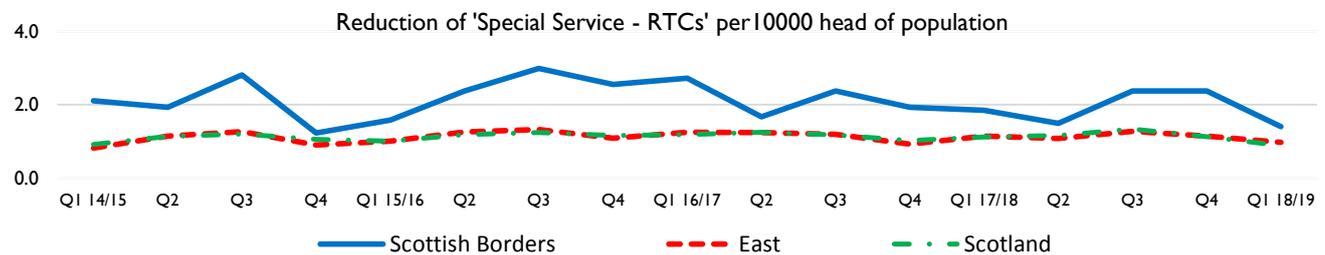
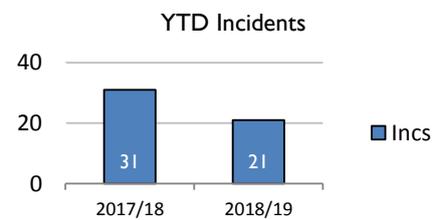
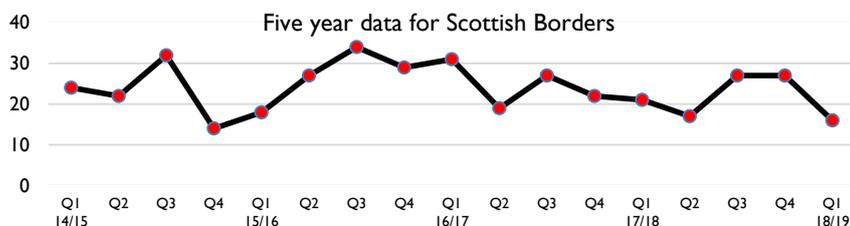
The SFRS attended 16 RTC's during the reporting period, this represents a 24% decrease in comparison to the same period last year. Further analysis indicates that hydraulic rescue equipment was used on 4 occasions to extricate persons trapped in vehicles. The remaining incidents required limited intervention from the SFRS including administering first aid and making the vehicle or scene safe.

Reasons

Police Scotland are responsible for determining the causes of RTC's however the SFRS have a significant part to play in preventing RTC's. The SFRS respond to RTC's whenever it is confirmed persons are within the vehicle, regardless if they are trapped or not. As highlighted in the previous paragraph, this can mean that on many occasions limited intervention is required by our crews.

Actions

The SFRS are part of the Safer Communities Unit and a member of the Road Safety Working Theme Group. CAT and operational staff attend educational establishments such as schools and the Borders College to deliver inputs to young drivers regarding the consequences of RTC's. We also participate in partnership initiatives such as the Scottish Borders Drivewise Event. Reduction of RTC's also forms part of the SFRS action plan regarding the Reducing Inequalities Group within the CPP.



YTD ward ave. for Scottish Borders - I	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Sparklines
Scottish Borders	24	18	31	21	16	
Tweeddale West	7	2	1	4	2	
Tweeddale East	5	2	5	1	2	
Galashiels & District	3	5	4	3	2	
Selkirkshire	1	0	2	3	0	
Leaderdale & Melrose	2	2	1	1	1	
Mid Berwickshire	2	2	4	0	0	
East Berwickshire	1	4	1	2	4	
Kelso & District	0	0	2	1	0	
Jedburgh & District	3	1	7	3	0	
Hawick & Denholm	0	0	2	2	3	
Hawick & Hermitage	0	0	2	1	2	

Reduction of 'Special Service Casualties - All'

The figures below pertain to all non-fire related casualties and represent the diverse nature of incidents the SFRS attend in the Scottish Borders other than fires and UFAS. As the traditional role of the Fire and Rescue Service expands, the SFRS is committed to working with partners and other stakeholders in order to reduce not only the amount of RTC related casualties and fatalities, but other casualties including victims of flooding and medical emergencies.

Results

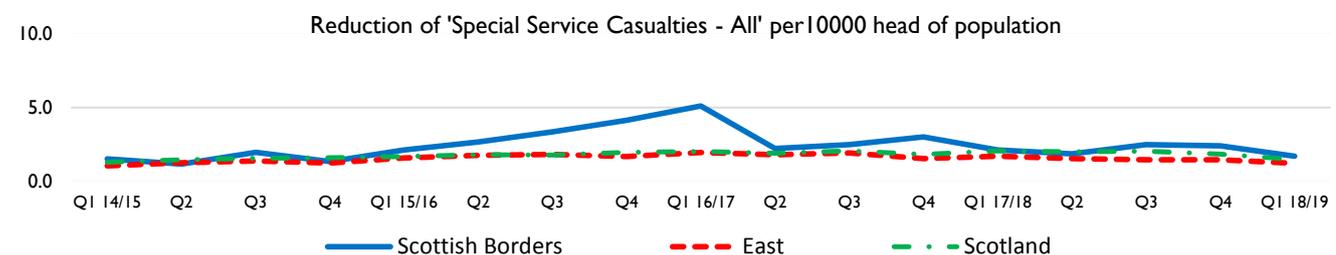
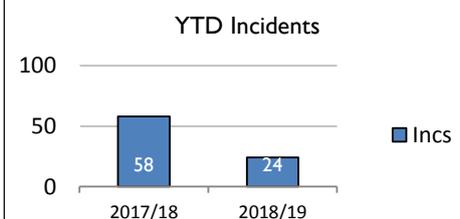
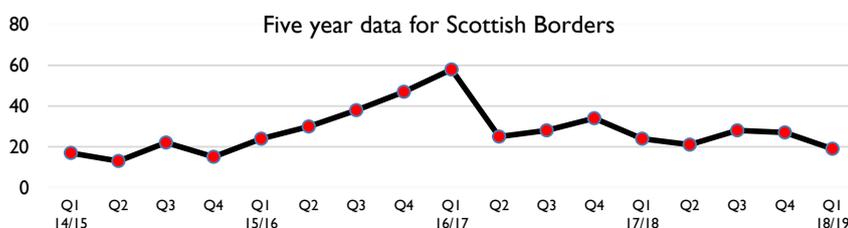
There have been 19 Special Service casualties during the reporting period, this is a 21% decrease in comparison to the same period last year. A snapshot analysis of incident and casualty type is included the report summary page.

Reasons

The amount of “non-traditional” incidents the SFRS are mobilised to has increased markedly over the last few years. These types of incident include assisting our Scottish Ambulance colleagues with effecting entry for emergency medical response and persons who have fallen in the home. Traditional Special Service response includes, RTC's, Water Rescue, Hazmat and rescues from height.

Actions

CAT staff and operational crews participate regularly in partnership initiatives that target high risk groups with the specific aim of highlighting the potential severity and far reaching consequences of RTC's. SFRS crews are providing CPR and defibrillator training to local communities. By training members of the public in CPR, those suffering an out of hospital cardiac arrest have a better chance of survival due to early intervention.



YTD ward ave. for Scottish Borders - 2	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Sparklines
Scottish Borders	17	24	58	24	19	
Tweeddale West	5	4	7	4	1	
Tweeddale East	4	1	5	2	1	
Galashiels & District	0	6	11	2	1	
Selkirkshire	0	0	3	6	2	
Leaderdale & Melrose	2	4	1	0	2	
Mid Berwickshire	2	2	4	3	1	
East Berwickshire	0	4	2	1	2	
Kelso & District	0	1	6	2	1	
Jedburgh & District	3	2	11	0	0	
Hawick & Denholm	1	0	4	1	5	
Hawick & Hermitage	0	0	4	3	3	

Reduction of 'False Alarm - Equipment failure'

Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals (UFAS) are defined as incidents where an automated fire alarm system activates and results in the mobilisation of SFRS resources, when the reason for that alarm turns out to be something other than a fire emergency. The SFRS is committed to working with partners and other stakeholders to reduce Unwanted Fire Alarm signals.

Results

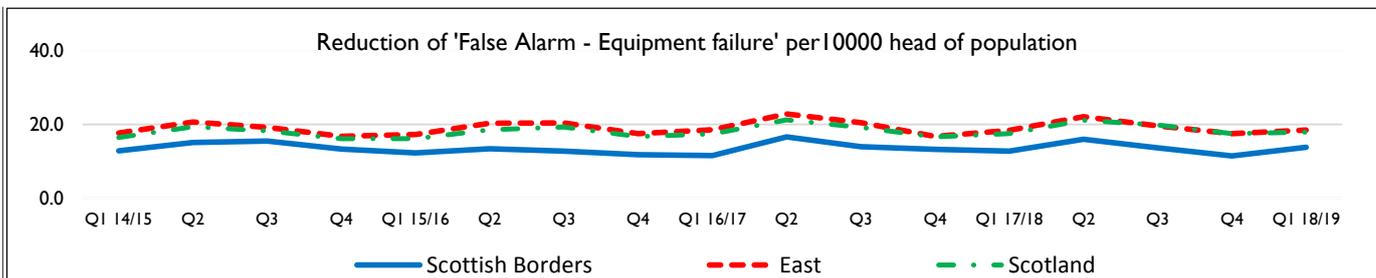
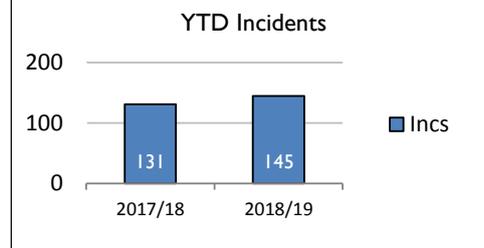
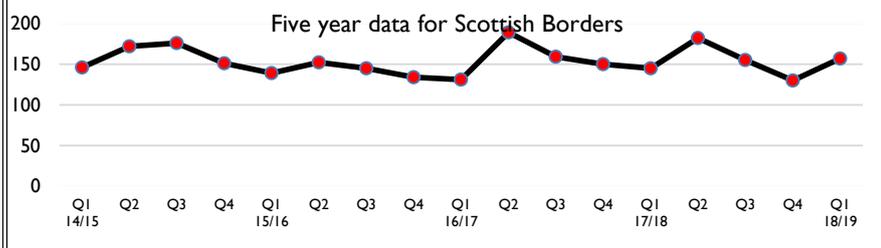
There have been 235 False Alarm incidents in the Scottish Borders during this reporting period. Equipment failure accounted for 157 of these incidents with 64 and 11 the figures for good intent and malicious respectively. The figures illustrated in this report relate only to False Alarm equipment failures.

Reasons

Equipment failure accounted for 67% of all UFAS calls in this reporting period and continues to be the most common cause of these types of incidents.

Actions

We continue to proactively monitor UFAS calls and our Fire Safety Enforcement Officers work closely with premises to reduce further UFAS incidents. This includes discussing technological, procedural and management solutions in order to prevent future UFAS incidents. This forms part of an incremental approach with the ultimate aim of educating duty holders whilst reducing UFAS calls. The reduction of UFAS across the Borders has been supplemented by appointing one of our Fire Safety Enforcement Officers as UFAS Champion.



YTD ward ave. for Scottish Borders - 14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Sparklines
Scottish Borders	146	139	131	145	157	
Tweeddale West	29	27	23	19	12	
Tweeddale East	3	5	4	13	10	
Galashiels & District	21	22	19	22	28	
Selkirkshire	15	11	15	14	18	
Leaderdale & Melrose	21	15	18	15	17	
Mid Berwickshire	15	8	8	7	11	
East Berwickshire	7	6	4	9	14	
Kelso & District	8	6	9	10	19	
Jedburgh & District	6	9	3	2	9	
Hawick & Denholm	5	8	13	14	6	
Hawick & Hermitage	16	15	15	20	13	

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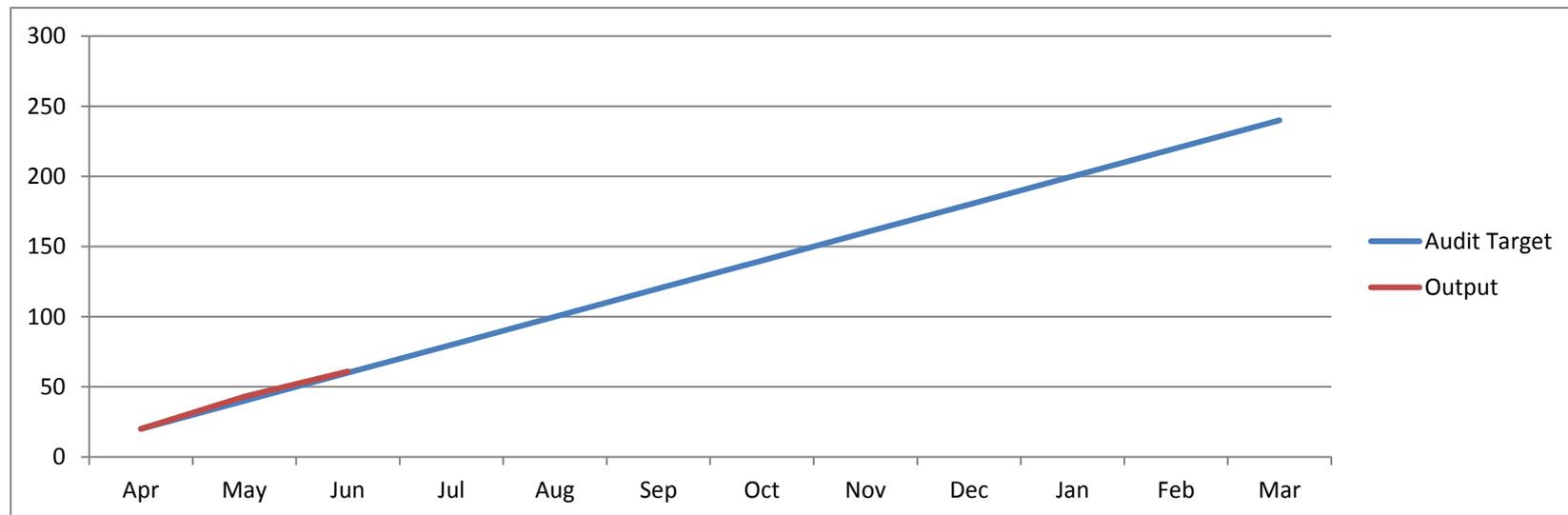
Prevention & Protection Activities

Quarter 1 2018/2019: (1st April 2018 to 30th June 2018)

Fire Safety Enforcement Audits

The figures represent the audit workloads delivered by the Scottish Borders Fire Safety Enforcement Officers (FSEOs). Following the SFRS Enforcement Framework, local deployment ensures compliance for relevant premises in terms of the Fire Scotland Act (2005) and associated Fire Safety Regulations. The Fire Safety Enforcement team based at Galashiels Fire Station delivered audits just two short of our annual target. It should be noted that those properties identified within our framework as high risk have been audited. The target has been amended to allow more resource to be allocated towards reducing unwanted fire alarm signals (UFAS) across the area.

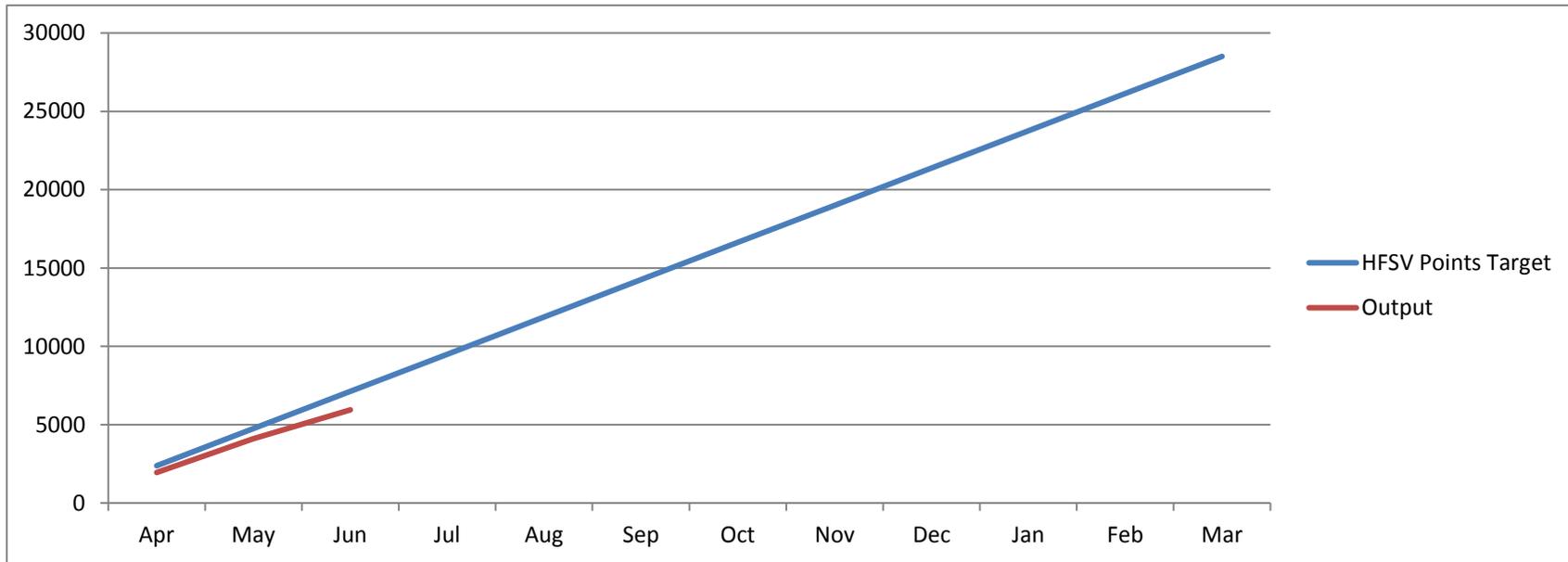
	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Target:	20	40	60	80	100	120	140	160	180	200	220	240	240
Completed:	20	43	61										



Home Fire Safety Visits

The delivery of Home Fire Safety Visits (HFSVs) is the corner stone of the SFRS Community Safety Engagement framework. By visiting households and providing fire safety advice and smoke alarms the numbers of dwelling fires and casualties will be reduced. To target the highest risk households across the Scottish Borders a points allocation based on risk and associated target has been set (24 points per high, 8 per medium, 4 per low risk visit). This will ensure valuable resources are used with greatest effect. The points achieved for the Scottish Borders are currently below target. A total of **487** visits were delivered during this reporting period. A robust management is in place to ensure targets are met over the course of the year. A breakdown of the delivery is provided by ward area on the following page.

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Target	2375	4750	7125	9500	11875	14250	16625	19000	21375	23750	26125	28500	28500
Completed	1944	4096	5944										



Total visits delivered in 2018/19 by ward area of the Scottish Borders:

The following table gives a good indication of the coverage across the Scottish Borders where the SFRS delivers Home Fire Safety Visits.

Ward Area	Visits delivered in Q1 2018/19	Visits delivered in Q2 2018/19	Visits delivered in Q3 2018/19	Visits delivered in Q4 2018/19
East Berwickshire	17			
Galashiels and District	98			
Hawick and Denholm	68			
Hawick and Hermitage	96			
Jedburgh and District	34			
Kelso and District	22			
Leaderdale and Melrose	39			
Mid Berwickshire	26			
Selkirkshire	40			
Tweeddale East	24			
Tweeddale West	23			
TOTAL	487			

Partnership Working

Youth Engagement

During this Quarter, the Community Action Team (CAT) have supported and engaged with the following youth engagement Fire skills and Risk Factory programmes in Midlothian/East Lothian and City of Edinburgh. In addition to these core activities, the CAT continue to support the delivery of youth engagement through Fire skills with young offenders at Polmont.

The Community Action Team have also had **4** Fire setter Intervention referrals from Police Scotland during this reporting period, where **2** have been completed and a further **2** that are currently being progressed.

Safeguarding (Vulnerable persons)

Close collaboration with our partner organisations across the public and third sector continues to generate our HFSV referrals. The local crews within the Scottish Borders continue to proactively deliver the Adult/Child protection policy and procedure and have generated referrals (AP1) during this period.

The Local Authority Liaison Officer (LALO) continues to attend or provide information relevant to fire for the monthly Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) and successful actions from these meetings have been delivered.

Referrals

Home Fire Safety Visits are generated via several pathways involving partner agencies. These include:

In addition to MARAC outcomes, the CAT team have facilitated a further **14** referrals from the Domestic Abuse Advocacy Service (DAAS) in partnership with the Safer Housing options worker for the Scottish Borders Council.

There was an additional **1** referral from MARAC.

Partnership working in the Scottish Borders with British Red Cross is continuing to generate referral numbers with a total of **2** for this period.

Housing Association referrals from respective partners at Berwickshire Housing (BHA), Scottish Borders Housing Association (SBHA), Eildon and Waverley total **114**. Our LALO continues to actively engage in communicating with Housing Associations to deliver further training and familiarisation in Fire Safety and the referral process.

We received **8** referrals from Police Scotland during this reporting period.

NHS provided **8** referrals and Social Services **5**. The LALO continues to work closely with these respective partners and attends their regular team meetings to provide support and further training on the referral process.

Within the Scottish Borders we continue develop partnership links with the Cheviot Community Health Care team (NHS) through the development of the Living Safely in the Home (LSITH) pilot project. This relates to falls assessments screening and referrals.

Road Safety

The planning process for this year's Drive wise has been prominent during this period with all partner agencies involved in the programme. SFRS will again be a key partner in this multi-agency event and will provide support via operational crews from Gala and Hawick along with the Community Action Team. The first events(s) were successfully delivered in April.

A local road safety event was also delivered at Hawick Fire Station which once again took a multi-agency approach.

Other Work Completed or In Progress

The following detailed below is further work the Community Action Team (CAT) have completed for this quarter or is in progress for the next Quarter.

- Our LALO continues to work as an integral partner within the Safer Communities Team
- SFRS staff continue to attend monthly MARAC meetings
- SFRS personnel have been working with Hawick High School Partnership with a view to setting up Fireskills course.
- Staff attended a Mental Health Improvement/Suicide Prevention forum with a view to enhancing understanding amongst front line personnel.
- Our LALO continues to attend the Community Learning & Development Target Setting Steering Group meetings.
- The Community Action Team continues to support 2 x Wholetime and 11 RDS stations with the delivery of HFSV's and Seasonal Thematic Action Plans.
- SFRS representation on the Syrian Refugee Families Operational Group.
- The CAT supported Peebles High School Resilience Day and assisted in delivering CPR training to pupils
- SFRS attended and supported a Farm Safety Event at Jedburgh alongside Police Scotland.
- Local staff delivered Fire Safety and Water Safety talks to several groups within the Scottish Borders during this period.
- LALO attended Anti-Social Behaviour meeting at Scottish Borders Council

Future Work Streams

As we plan for the future, we are actively involved in several areas of work, including;

- Expansion of our HFSV awareness training to partners across the Scottish Borders to assist with identifying individuals at greater risk of fire within the home setting.
- We are actively looking for ways to reduce the number of UFAS calls we attend across Scotland. At previous Scrutiny meetings we have presented papers outlining the issues we face and how we propose to address them. SFRS are about to engage directly with SBC Education to assess the impact of UFAS within Schools and other educational premises. It is hopeful that this exercise will promote a considerable reduction in UFAS and subsequent SFRS attendance to SB Schools.



Quarterly Performance Report August 2018

Period Covered: 1 April 2018 to 30 June 2018

“Making the Scottish Borders a safer place to live, work and visit”

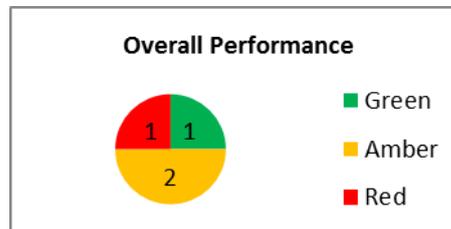
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Strategic Priority 1 – Reduce the level and Impact of Gender Based Violence through effective partnership working

Overall Summary

Overall Performance

Overall performance 4 indicators:



Key Successes

- Planned absence among domestic abuse staff required contingency arrangements to be introduced. There was no noticeable reduction in service and agreed response times for responding to referrals have been maintained.
- Court advocacy service continues to demonstrate an important support mechanism for victims and a point of contact for other justice stakeholders. Targets for the service set by funders are being achieved. The benefits of this service are tangible in relation to improving understanding of domestic abuse in the court system.
- Referrals to all the safer communities based domestic abuse services have increase in Q1 compared to last year this is in part due to all services being fully resourced and includes Domestic Abuse Advocacy Support, Domestic Abuse Advocacy Outreach, Safer Housing Options and Court Advocacy Service. The increase is predominantly down to outreach and court services.

Key Issues

- The new data protection legislation has influenced what information can be provided through police referrals to domestic abuse staff and the resultant risk management and safety planning with high risk victims of domestic abuse. Safer Communities are collaborating with Police Scotland to work through and mitigate any operational consequence which is a common situation across Scotland.

Key Activities

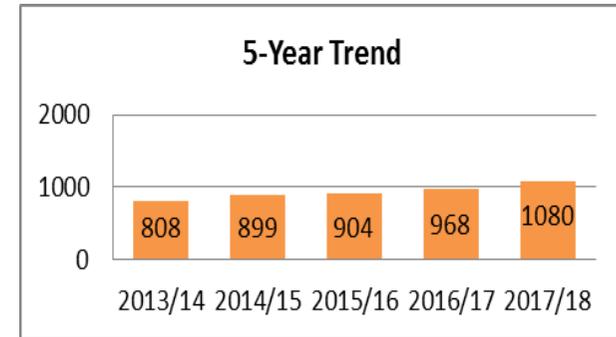
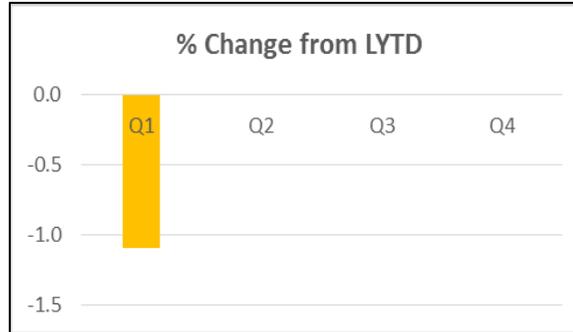
- The Safer Communities Team and a range of other stakeholders are working with SafeLives to deliver Domestic Abuse Matters – the UK’s domestic abuse training for police officers. This means delivery of a one day training course to all police officers across Scotland on the new domestic abuse legislation. This commitment will be carefully managed so there is no impact on local service delivery.
- The VAW Partnership has submitted the first Equally Safe report on Performance Indicators and Quality Standards to the Scottish Government. Overall, the Scottish Borders show good achievement of the Quality Standards and meet or partially meet the majority of standards. In relation to Performance Indicators, the Scottish Borders can reflect data on most indicators but for some there is no mechanism to capture this information from the range of services locally. This has been fed back to the Scottish Government.
- In partnership with Child Protection, the Safer Communities team will be delivering CPD sessions to 3200 staff in Education on child protection and domestic abuse, Oct 2018 to April 2019.
- Domestic Abuse Awareness and FGM training courses are planned for the remainder of 2018 and into 2019.

Strategic Priority 1 – Reduce the level and Impact of Gender Based Violence through effective partnership working

Increase the number of reported incidents of domestic abuse (adults)

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
270	273	-3	-1.1%

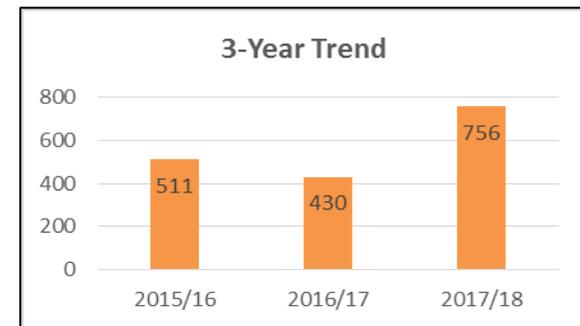
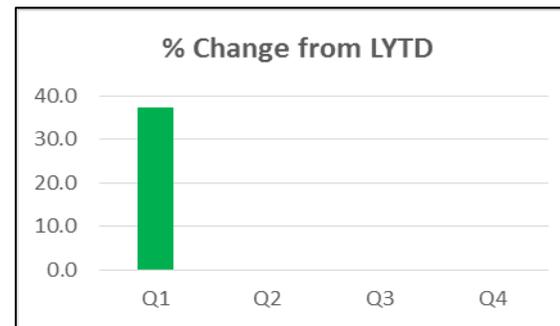


Source: Police Scotland

Increase the number of referrals to Safer Communities Domestic Abuse Support Services

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
184	134	+50	+37.3%



Source: DAAS

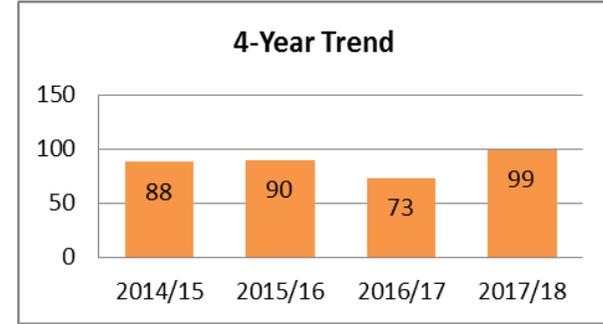
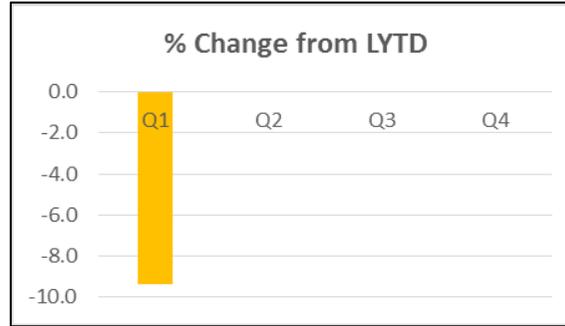
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Increase the number of high risk domestic abuse cases discussed at Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC)

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
29	32	-3	-9.4%

Source: MARAC

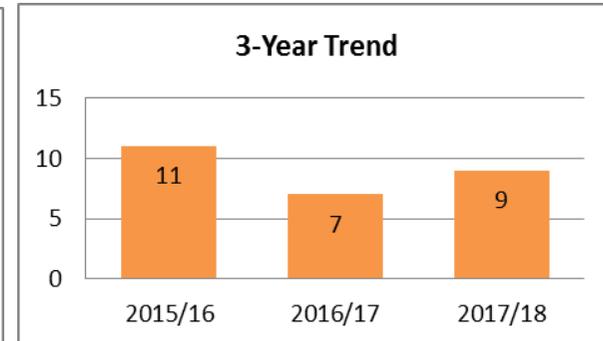
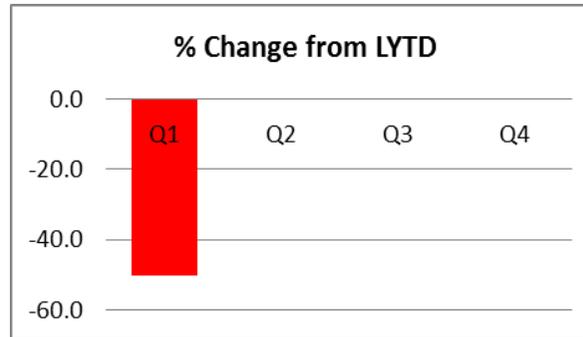


Increase the number of high risk offender referrals to Multi-Agency Tasking and Coordinating (MATAC) group

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
1	2	-1	-50%

Source: Police Scotland

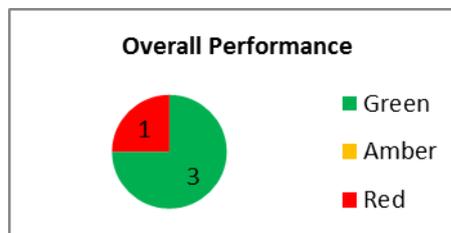


Strategic Priority 2 – Reduce the level and Impact of Substance Misuse through effective partnership working

Overall Summary

Overall Performance

Overall performance 4 indicators:



Key Successes

- Last quarters pro-active drug enforcement activity has shown an increase in disclosure to Registered Social Landlords for consideration around potential tenancy agreement breaches. Privately owned property or private rental properties are not included.
- The SBC funded Community Action Team have been active in enforcement activity both in relation to property searches under warrant but also on street intelligence led stop and search activity.
- Analysis has been undertaken of police demand during the various festivals and cultural events in the Borders. This shows an improving picture with a general reduction in incidents in 2018 when compared to the same period during 2017.

Key Issues

- An Alcohol Brief Intervention (ABI) is always considered during face to face meetings with individuals accused of perpetrating ASB a variety of factors impact upon the opportunity to undertake an ABI. The diligence around screening is the important factor which generates the ABI. 100% of those screened as eligible for an ABI had one performed.
- The SBC funded Community Action Team has been tasked with giving attention to those areas experiencing needle finds, while also working with partners to reduce the number of instances and the impact of discarded needles in the community.

Key Activities

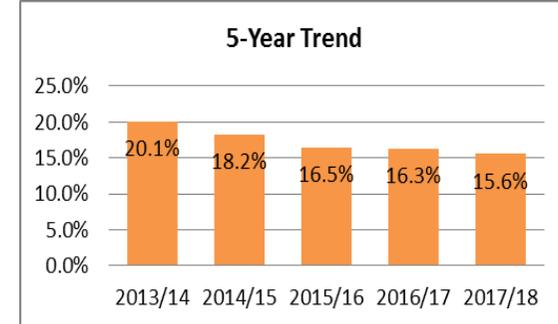
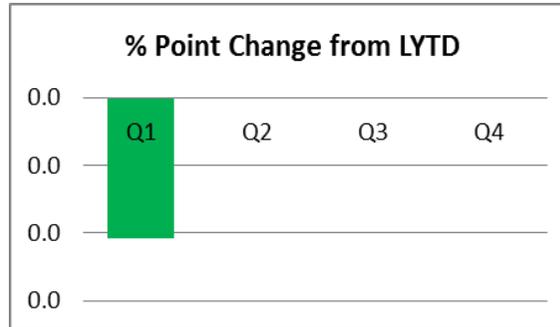
- The Best Bar None 2018/19 annual licensed premises application and accreditation cycle is underway supporting self-regulation within the trade. This award is coordinated nationally by the Scottish Business Resilience Centre supported locally by community safety partners.
- The Community Safety Partnership continue to promote the underage drinking campaign, don't buy it, don't supply it, intended to support attitudinal change among those people who supply alcohol to U18's. In particular the lamppost sleeves continue to be visible at the various summer cultural events.
- Work is underway to refresh the Arrest Referral scheme within police custody areas so that prisoners from the Borders held in different parts of the police custody estate are not disadvantaged from receiving support with addiction through a referral to local services.

Strategic Priority 2 – Reduce the level and Impact of substance misuse through effective partnership working

Reduce the percentage of ASB incidents that are alcohol related

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
15.4%	15.4%	0.0	-

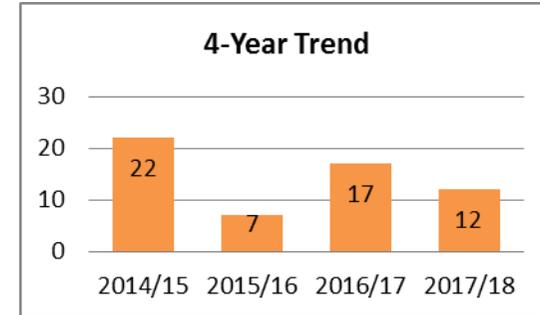
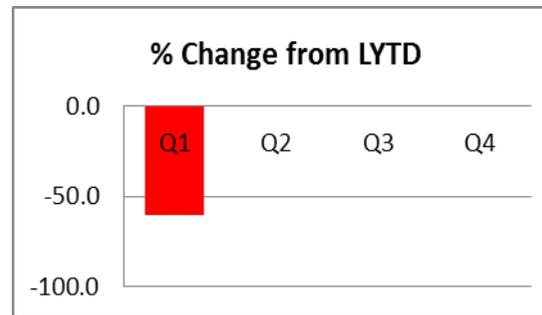


Source: SCT Database

Increase the number of Alcohol Brief Intervention (ABI) screenings undertaken by the Antisocial Behaviour Unit (ASBU)

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
2	5	-3	-60%



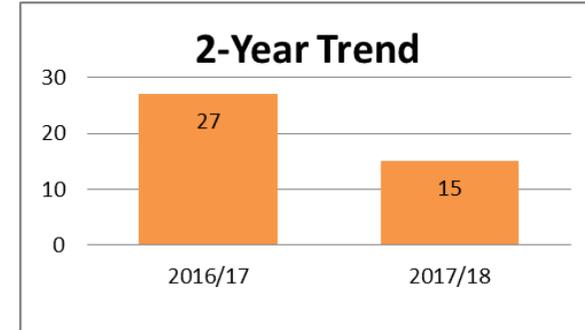
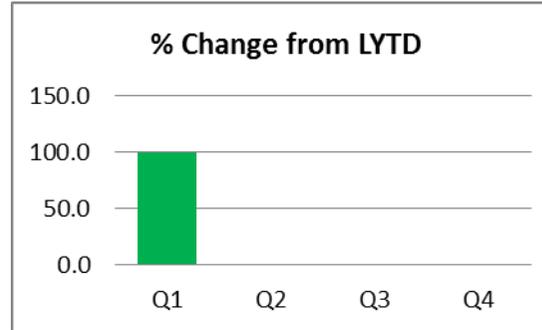
Source: ASBU

Strategic Priority 2 – Reduce the level and Impact of substance misuse through effective partnership working

Increase the number of referrals into the ASB process as a result of proactive drug enforcement

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
12	6	+6	+100%

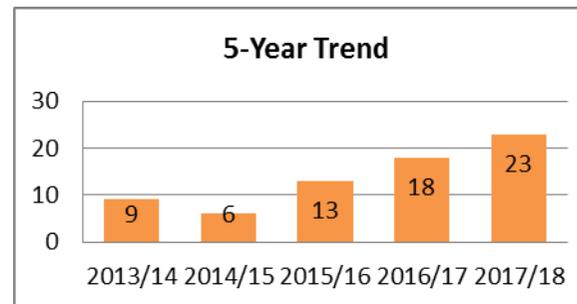


Source: SCT Database

Increase the number of “Best Bar None” premises

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
23	18	+5	+27.8%



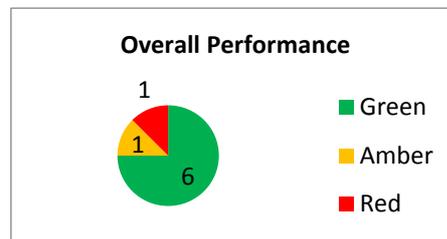
Source: Police Scotland

Strategic Priority 3 – Reduce the level and Impact of crime and antisocial behaviour through effective partnership working

Overall Summary

Overall Performance

Overall performance 8 indicators:



Key Successes

- This quarter's trend across crime, ASB and vandalism have all shown an improvement compared to the same period last year, there can be seasonal variations within these figures that may balance over time.
- There has been a reduction of 5.7% in people being monitored for anti-social behaviour while the number of early interventions undertaken by ASB partners has remained fairly consistent.
- Information sharing at an early stage in the housing allocation process when it is known that an individual has history of problematic behaviour has helped to reduce the instances in which more formal interventions become necessary. The intention is to make tenancies more sustainable, reduce the impact upon others and time taken to address negative behaviour when it occurs.
- Early in the ASB investigation process before a decision on formal action is taken individuals are alerted to encouraging a change in the behaviour leading up to consideration for an intervention. This forms the basis of graduated escalation options which may ultimately end in an application for an Antisocial Behaviour Order.
- The number of antisocial behaviour related incidents has shown a reduction during the first quarter. This is likely to have resulted from a range of activities, for example, the multi-agency Core Group predominantly involving neighbour disputes, tasks allocated to the council funded Police Community Action Team, and the work of the SBC event Safety Advisory Group in supporting the safe running of public events.
- The establishment of the Police Community Action Team has given additional flexibility in tackling persistent quality of life concerns in the Borders. A tasking process through an Elected Member/Officer Oversight Group is based around analysis and agreed prioritisation. Constituency matters are also raised and discussed at the forum, the meeting concludes with an agreed proportionate response to the priority areas highlighted.
- Multi-disciplinary site visits are undertaken in those areas experiencing a disproportionate level of ASB with a view to collaborating to improve the situation. The ASBU also visit complainers and make local enquiries with a view to corroborating situations involving ASB to create a basis for formal action to be taken and a compelling case should the situation necessitate a legal remedy. The areas where these visits have been undertaken have seen a reduction in call demand.

Strategic Priority 3 – Reduce the level and Impact of crime and antisocial behaviour through effective partnership working

Overall Summary

Key Issues

- Established and new ASB intervention processes create the necessary arrangements to identify and agree a course of action to address any emerging issues.
- We are awaiting additional interpretation of the mediation figures for quarter 1. The latest available figures are to the end of 2017/18.

Key Activities

- Doorstep Crime week during the week of 21/05/18 aimed at alerting householders, their families and neighbours to reject services offered by cold callers and only to accept services if they have been pre-arranged and initiated by the householder. For example not using the services of people going door to door offering to do gardening work, which may also result in problems with fly- tipping. Information extended to telephone call blocking, the nominated neighbour scheme, no cold calling zones and general home safety advice.

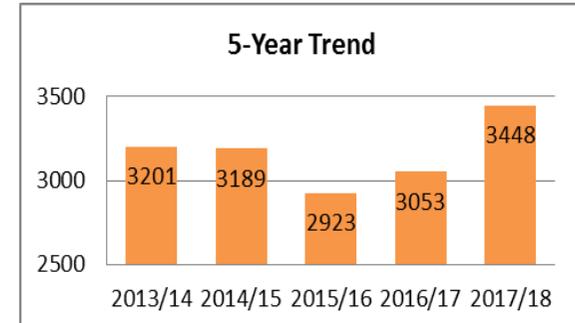
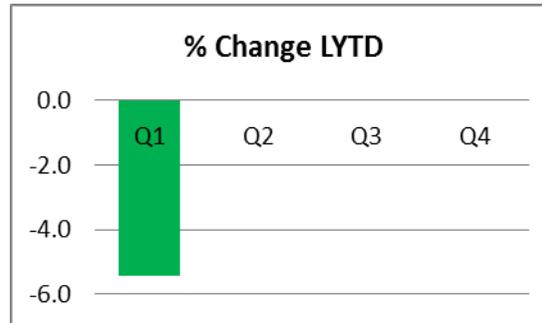
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Reduce the number of group 1-5 crimes

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
891	942	-51	-5.4%

Source: Police Scotland

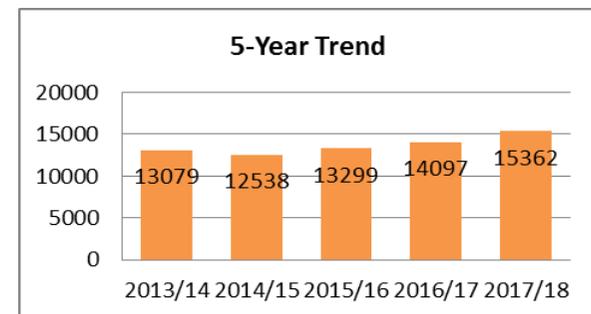
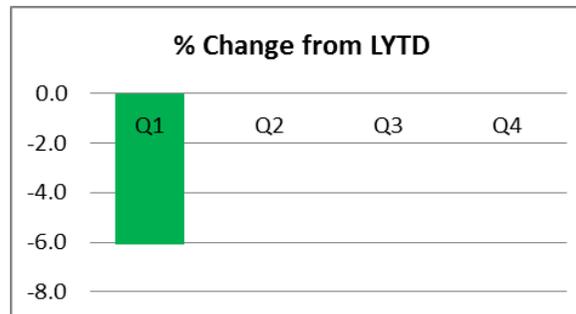


Reduce the number of recorded ASB incidents

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
3957	4214	-257	-6.1%

Source: SCT Database/ASBU/RSLs

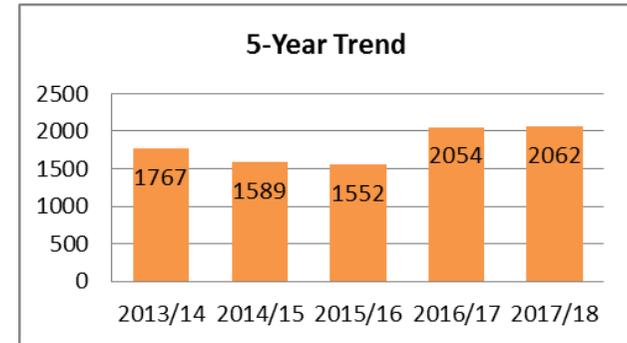
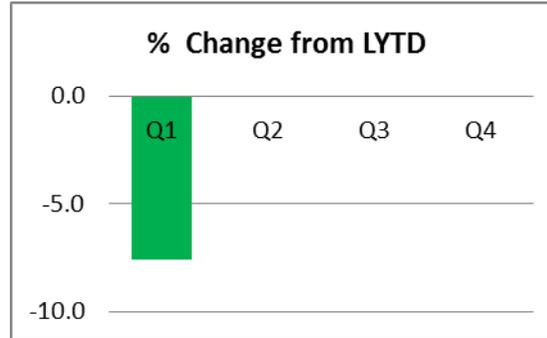


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Reduce the number of youth related ASB incidents

Performance

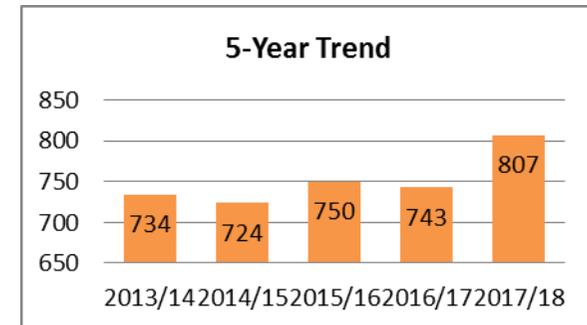
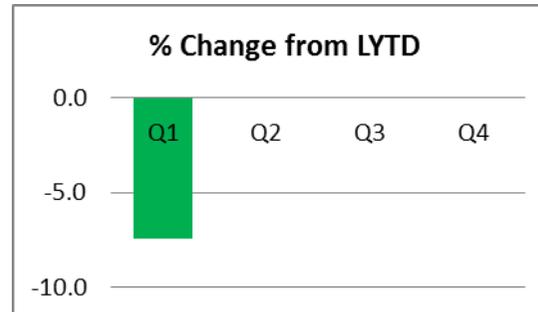
YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
521	564	-43	-7.6%



Source: SCT Database

Reduce the number of reported vandalism

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
199	215	-16	-7.4%



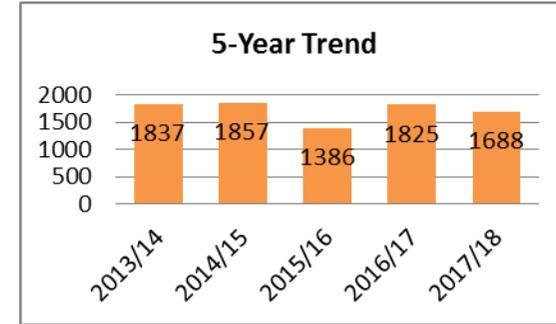
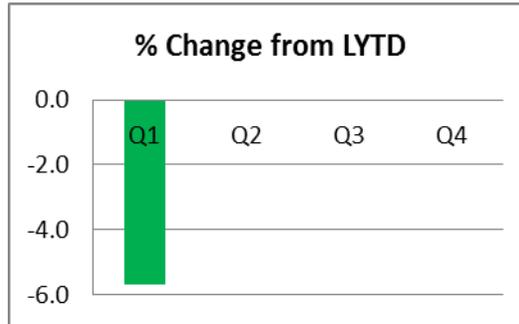
Source: Police Scotland

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Reduce the number of persons being monitored for antisocial behaviour

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
416	441	-25	-5.7%

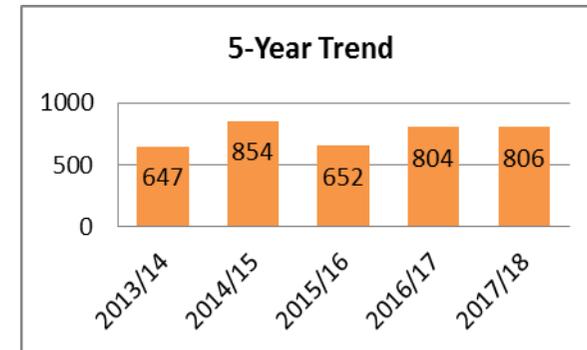
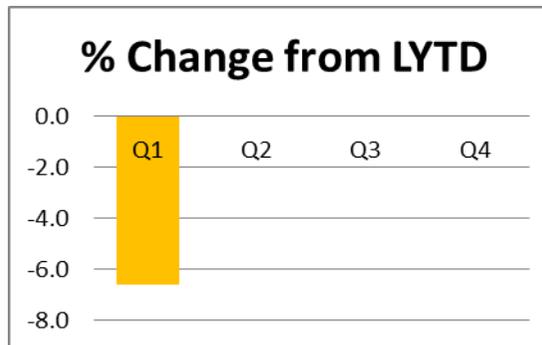


Source: ASBU

Increase the number of early interventions made by ASB partners

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
226	242	-16	-6.6%



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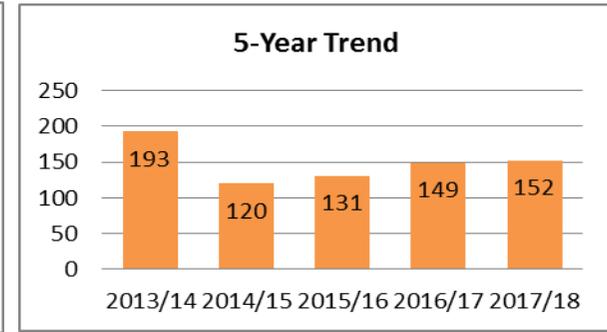
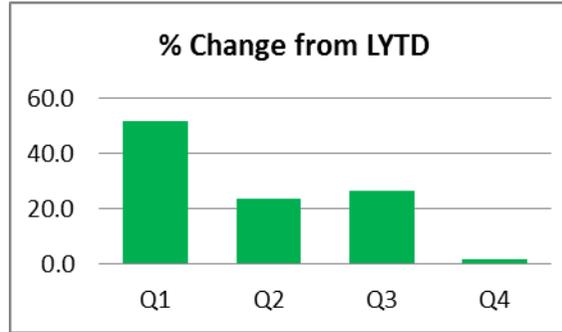
Increase the number of mediation referrals

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
152	149	+3	+2%

Data only available to the end of quarter 4 2017/18

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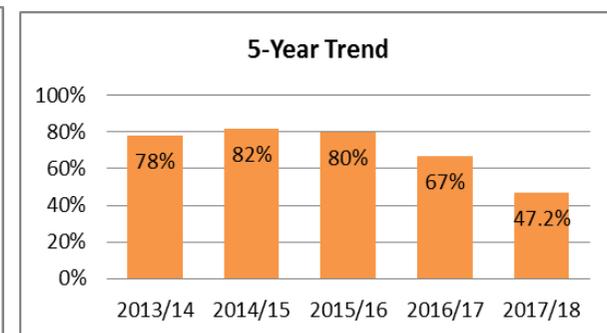
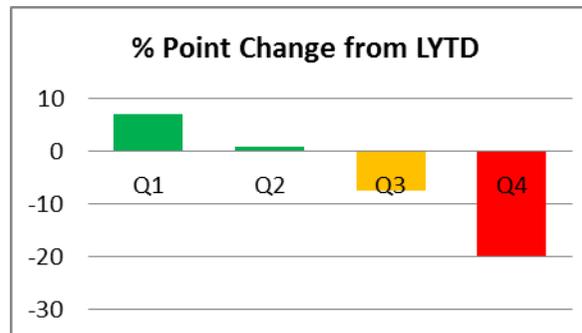


Increase the percentage of mediation cases that show agreement/improvement after mediation

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
47.2	67	-19.8	-

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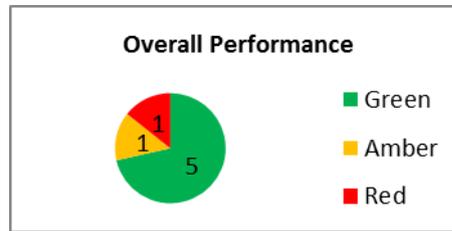


Strategic Priority 4 – Reduce the level and Impact of poor driver behaviour through effective partnership working

Overall Summary

Overall Performance

Overall performance 7 indicators:



Key Successes

- Drivewise Borders 2018/19 is underway. The Charterhall Young Driver's Event, a programme of advanced driver training for drivers aged 17 to 25 and an over 65 driver programme commenced in April 2018 funded by Transport Scotland.
- A relaunch of the 17-25 advanced driver training was undertaken in May involving a range of stakeholders including past graduates.
- Up to June 2018 there were 10 over 65 driver sessions held. Active social media and attendance at the Older Peoples Get Together event helped to secure a good attendance with most opting to have a refresher drive with an Advanced Driving Instructor. Requests have been received to hold specific sessions for older peoples groups and these are being arranged.

Key Issues

- The two children seriously injured during the period are understood to have been pedestrians entering the roadway.
- Motorcyclist accidents continue to be a concern and have increased when compared to the same period last year. The location and circumstances of each fatality or serious injury collision is examined with a view to identifying cause and safety improvements. Through Drivewise a number of places have been funded for the Institute of Advanced Motorists motorcycle programme.
- Irresponsible parking and complaints around speeding concerns are being fed in the police Community Action Team Oversight Group and form part of the wider road safety effort.

Key Activities

- The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service are considering options to run Biker Down training given that motorcyclists are often in groups and likely to be first on the scene of a crash before the emergency services attend. Injured motorcyclists need to be dealt with in a particular manner given the potential injury and issues with helmet removal. The training covers scene management, casualty care and being seen.
- Roads Policing are active in the Borders around the issue of motorcycle safety and attend the Road Safety Working Group which takes a holistic view of all components of road safety with a range of strategic partners.
- Options on the Road Safety aspect of Crucial Crew are being considered.

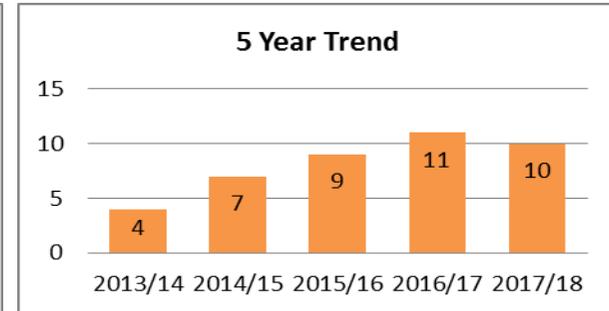
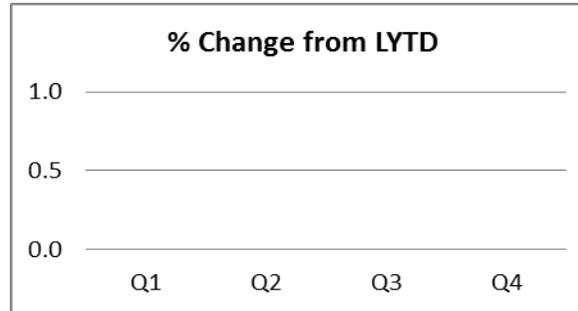
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Reduce the number of road users killed or seriously injured

Performance

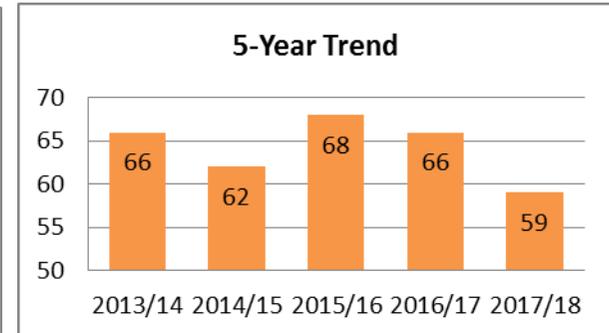
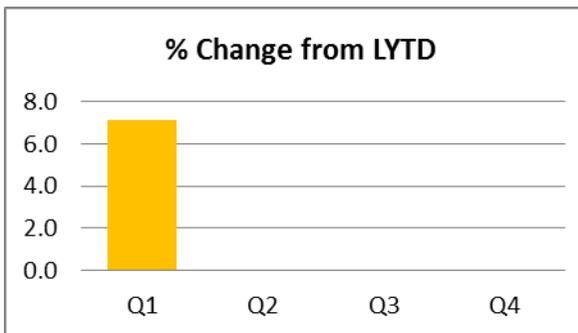
Killed

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
2	2	0	0%



Seriously Injured

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
15	14	+1	+7.1%



Source: Police Scotland

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Reduce the number of children killed or seriously injured on our roads

Performance

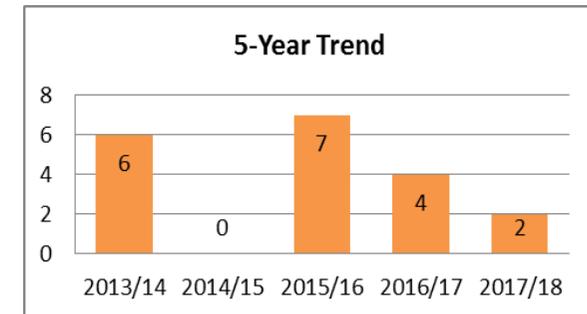
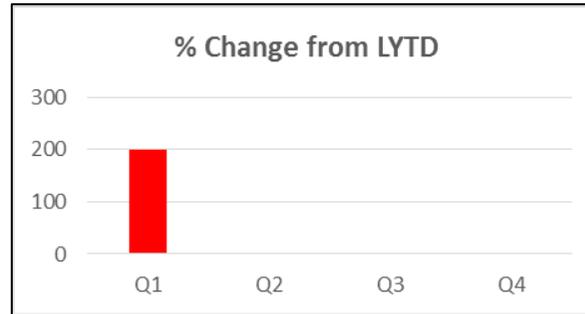
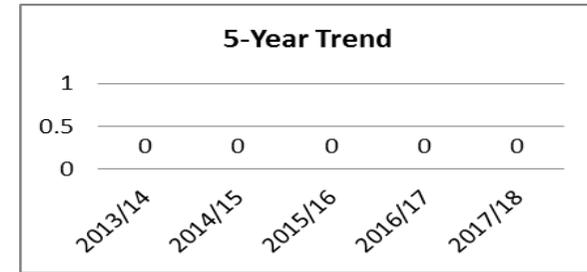
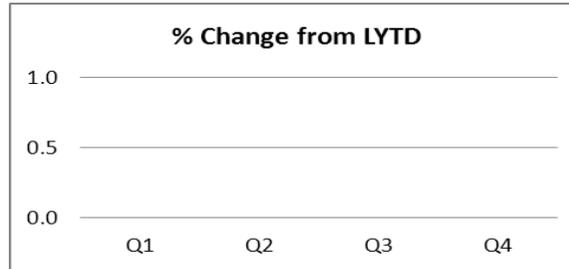
Killed

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
0	0	0	0

Seriously Injured

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
2	0	+2	+200%

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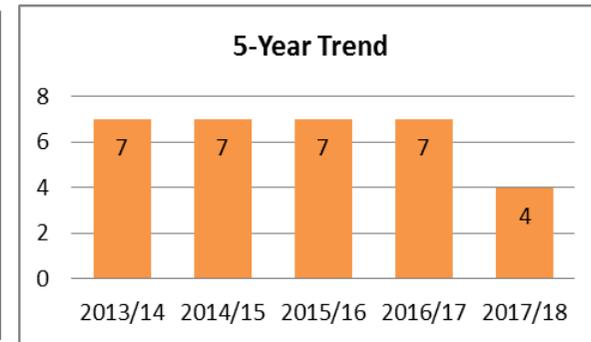
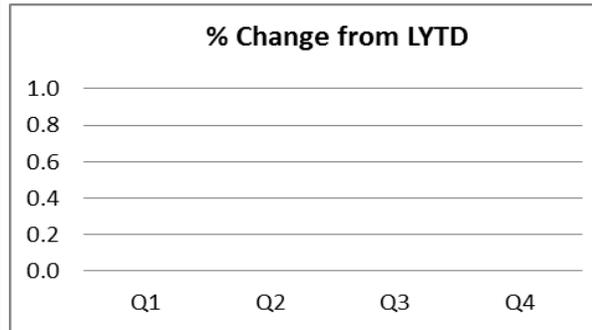


Strategic Priority 4 – Reduce the level and Impact of poor driver behaviour through effective partnership working

Reduce the number of young drivers aged 17-25 killed or seriously injured on our roads

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
1	1	0	0%

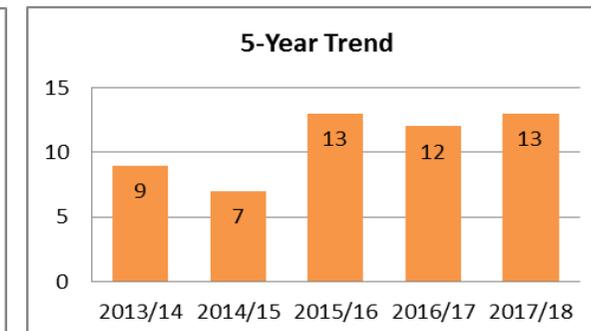
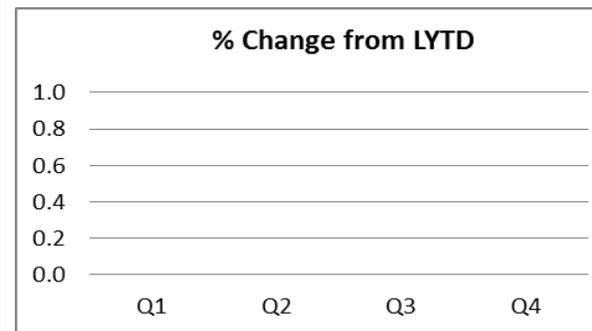


Source: Police Scotland

Reduce the number of older drivers aged 65+ killed or seriously injured on our roads

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
2	2	0	0%



Source: Police Scotland

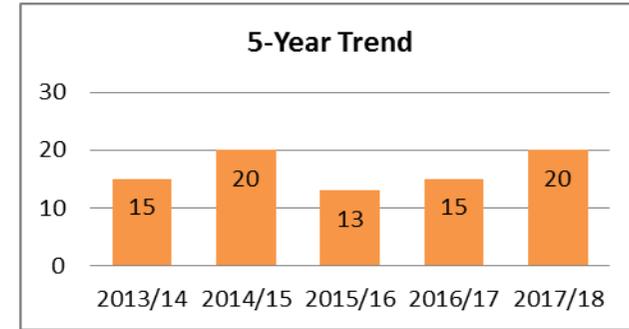
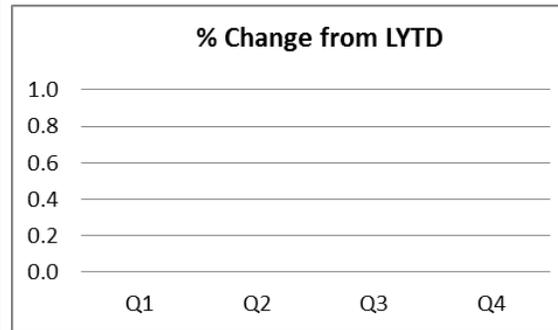
Strategic Priority 4 – Reduce the level and Impact of poor driver behaviour through effective partnership working

Reduce the number of motorcyclists killed or seriously injured on our roads

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
11	11	0	0%

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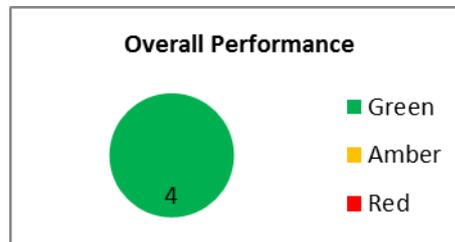


Strategic Priority 5 – Reduce the level and Impact of accidents in the home through effective partnership working

Overall Summary

Overall Performance

Overall performance 4 indicators:



Key Successes

- Since the launch of the “Living Safely In The Home” (LSITH) project in the Cheviot Locality on 1st June 2016 through to 30th June 2019, the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) have successfully referred, with consent, 88 individuals to the Cheviot Community Health Care Team (CCHT) in relation to falls.
- Adult and child protection referrals from RSLs have increased significantly in quarter 1 of 2018/19, up by 70 referrals from quarter 4 of 2017/18.

Key Issues

- Rollout of the LSITH project to other localities is currently suspended until the alignment of the SFRS national approach to Safe and Well visits is completed through the transformation programme.
- Looking to 2019/20 and the findings of the Strategic Assessment the safety priority will be broadened to cover all aspects of safety rather than the current narrow focus.

Key Activities

- The wider Safer Communities Team had another successful input to the Schools Countryside Day in Kelso. In addition to crime prevention displays, members of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service attended with water rescue equipment a departure from fire hazards an aspect of safety we are keen to promote.
- The community safety officer is finalising a campaign with the Early Years subgroup of the Children and Young Person’s Leadership Group incorporating ROSPA on the subject of accidental poisoning caused by household chemicals such as dishwasher tablets. While instances are not large the Borders have a higher rate than other areas.
- A Community Safety Strategic Assessment is in the final stages of development. This will help to determine the work of the Safer Communities Team, priorities, measures and areas of risk from 2019/20.
- Work has begun to update Crucial Crew the annual safety event for P7 pupils across the Borders. Current educational thinking, the breadth of safety messages, core content, and the delivery mechanism are all being considered to ensure pupils receive information in a way that is age appropriate, is reflective of current safety risks, and staying safe.

Strategic Priority 5 – Reduce the level and Impact of accidents in the home through effective partnership working

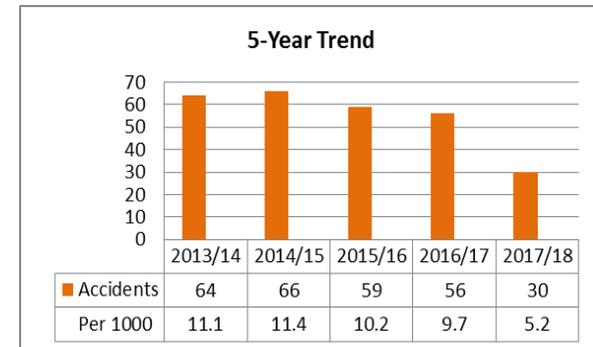
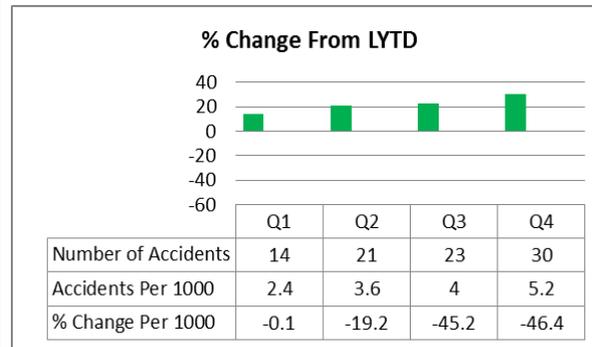
Reduce the number of emergency hospital admissions for children under 5 where a home accident is recorded as the main reason for attendance (per 1000 population)

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
5.2	9.7	-4.5	-46.4

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Source: NHS BGH



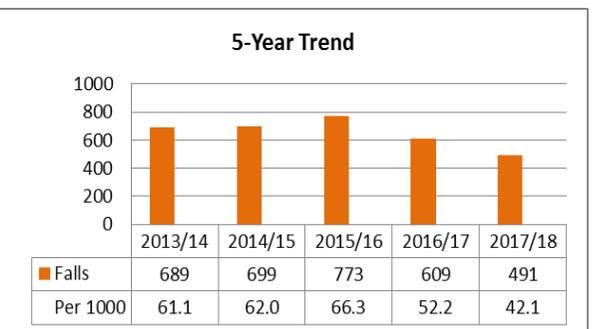
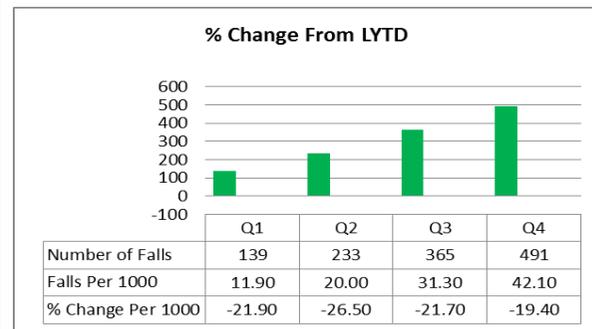
Reduce the number of emergency hospital admissions for 75+ where a fall is recorded as the main reason for attendance (per 1000 population)

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
42.1	52.2	-10.1	-19.4

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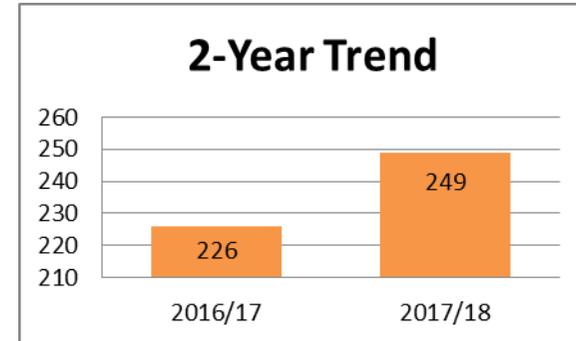
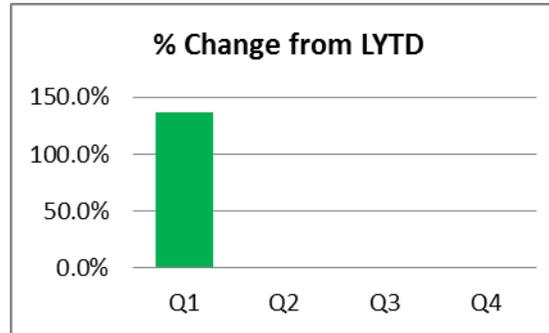


Strategic Priority 5 – Reduce the level and Impact of accidents in the home through effective partnership working

Increase the number of actioned Fire Service adult and child protection referrals received from Safer Communities

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
149	63	+86	+136.5%

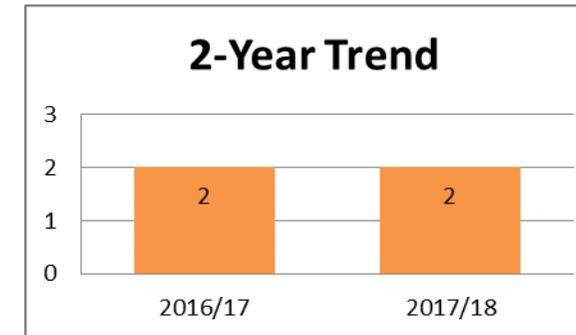
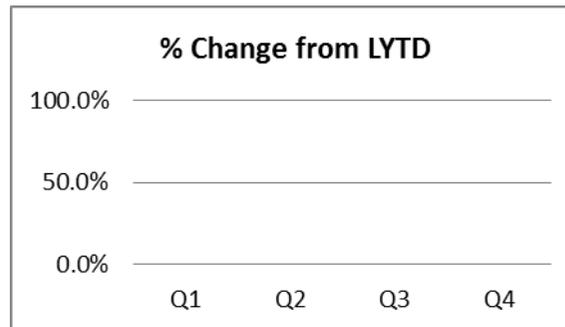


Source: SFRS

Increase the number of Fire Service fuel poverty referrals generated

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
0	0	0	0%



Source: SFRS

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