

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

SUBJECT: PERFORMANCE REPORT 1ST APRIL 2021 31STMARCH 2022.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The attached reports provide the year to date (YTD) performance data in addition to the Quarter 4 performance report for Prevention & Protection activities.

2. OUTPUTS

2.1 The following identifies the headline outputs over the reporting period.

Dwelling Fires

The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) attended 75 dwelling fire during this reporting period, 5 less than the previous YTD reporting period.

5 of these fires were started deliberately.

31 of these fires started in the kitchen.

Fire Casualties/Fatalities

There have been 11 fire related casualties in this reporting period, the same number as the previous YTD reporting period.

Further analysis shows that 5 casualties went to hospital for precautionary checks, 6 received first aid on scene and 3 were advised to seek medical advice.

There have been no fire fatalities within the reporting period.

Deliberate Fire setting (not including dwellings)

There were 92 deliberate fires in YTD reporting period, a decrease of 26 in comparison to last year.

Unfortunately, many of these fires remain a result of anti-social behaviour. This is combatted by proactive and reactive prevention initiatives taken by SFRS and Safer Communities partners.

Road Traffic Collisions

During the reporting period SFRS attended 69 Road Traffic Collisions (RTC), an increase from 52 in the previous YTD period. This needs to be seen in the context that last year, due to Covid related lockdowns, there was far less activity on our roads. Four people died within this reporting period at four separate RTC incidents.

Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals (UFAS)

UFAS calls consist of equipment failure, false alarm with good intent and false alarm malicious.

Priority	YTD 2020/21	YTD 2021/22	+/
Reduction in Dwelling Fires	80	75	-5
Reduction in Fire Casualties and Fatalities	П	11	N/A
Reduction of Deliberate Fire Setting	118	92	-26
Reduction Road Traffic Collisions	52	69	+17
Reduction of Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals	448	516	+68

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 both performance reports.

Hilary Sangster
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