COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

REPORTING PERIOD: FEBRUARY – MARCH 2018

SUMMARY REPORT FOR: BLACKBURN-WITH-DARWEN

LOCAL COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTIVITIES (brief details)

Road Safety

On Wednesday 14 March, LFRS were invited to hold a fire safety stand at Ewood Park football ground where a 'Drive Safely' day specifically for older people was held.

Police, road safety specialists, paramedics and solicitors were a just few of the speakers who took to the stage.

There were 91 over 70-year-olds in the audience, one of whom had passed his driving test back in 1947 and is still driving safely.

The audience took part in a Highway Code quiz, an optional driver's eye test and information on the laws on wearing seat belts and as many elderly people are now carers for their grandchildren and great grandchildren the need to have a correctly fitted child car seat in their vehicle was discussed.

The police showed a video of obstacles and dangers on the road and the audience were invited to identify them, obstacles such as dazzling sunshine, pedestrians, cars pulling out of side roads, drivers not signalling, pot holes, children not holding on to parents hands, and people distracted by the use of mobile phones.

At lunchtime the audience were able to visit the many stands that were there, which included LFRS, Age UK, crime prevention, Kwik Fit (vehicle safety checks), Know Your Alcohol Units and Health and Fitness advice.

INCIDENTS OF OPERATIONAL INTEREST (brief details)

Date: 16/03/2018 **Time**: 17:37:00

Address: Clement Street, Darwen

Initially the incident was thought to have been a domestic building fire where there may have been casualties trapped. Two crews from Darwen attended and found that the fire was confined to the chimney of the property. They used a hose reel and nimbus nozzle to extinguish the fire. There were no casualties reported.

Date: 16/03/2018 **Time**: 16:13:00

Address: Buncer Lane, Blackburn

Road traffic collision involving two vehicles on Buncer Lane, Blackburn. Two crews from Blackburn attended and assisted in making the scene safe.

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REPORTING PERIOD: FEBRUARY – MARCH 2018

SUMMARY REPORT FOR: BLACKPOOL

LOCAL COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTIVITIES (brief details)

Design a Poster Competition

In November 2017 as part of the Child Sexual Exploitation week, Blackpool Safeguarding Board ran a competition to design a poster in relation to Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE).

The initial concept was for a poster to be designed based on how "Children" themselves understand the issues and problems surrounding all aspects of CSE. The competition was open to all of the high schools and youth organisations in Blackpool with the entries being judges by a panel of independent professionals.

Our Fire Cadets conducted research into CSE and combined this with their own thoughts and opinions and then developed their designs as posters. We then entered 3 separate posters into the competition for judging. We were very pleasantly surprised to learn that all 3 of their posters had been awarded first, second and third prize.

On Wednesday 21 February Jolene Llewellyn, Blackpool Safeguarding Training Coordinator presented the Awards at South Shore Fire Station. The event was also attended by Station Manager Colin Hickson, Bob Gildert LFRS Princess Trust Delivery Manager, Fire Service Staff, Parents and our Fire Cadets. Jolene explained that 2 of the posters had been amalgamated into one leaflet and that both items are now being printed and distributed across the Blackpool Area.



World at Work Event

The Community Safety Team from Blackpool Fire Station participated in a "World at Work Event" at Park Community Academy Sixth Form, Whitegate Drive. Park Community Academy (PCA) is a successful school which aims to provide high quality educational provision for children in a safe and secure environment, their ethos reflects care, happiness, enjoyment and success.

Park Community Academy is a founder member of the Blackpool Multi Academy Trust along with 2 other Blackpool Primary Schools and was converted to Academy status in September 2013. It is a Special Academy currently catering for boys and girls aged from 2 to 19 years.

The children who attend PCA have a wide range of learning needs including moderate to severe learning difficulties, complex learning difficulties associated with Autistic Spectrum Conditions and speech and language difficulties, sensory impairment, some complex medical needs and varying degrees of social emotional and behavioural needs associated with their SEND.

The aim of the World at Work Event was to provide the children with an insight to the careers and jobs and also support available in the wider world. The event was attended by local businesses and organisations from the leisure industries, banking, hospitality and catering and local colleges. Groups of approximately 6 students at a time spent around half an hour with each organisation to discuss their interests and experience an aspect of what each service had to offer. We were able to offer career and opportunity advice, information on fire cadets and we also seized the opportunity to offer some "Home Fire Safety Advice". The students were also able to try on items of fire kit, breathing apparatus and then experience the items in the SENDSafe learning resource box.



INCIDENTS OF OPERATIONAL INTEREST (brief details)

Date: 20/03/2018 **Time**: 01:24:00

Address: Vicinity of B5266, Singleton, Poulton-le-Fylde

A fire engine and crew from Blackpool dealt with a car on fire in a field in Singleton, Poulton-le-Fylde. Firefighters used a hose reel jet to extinguish the fire, which they believe was started deliberately. There were no casualties. Police were notified of the suspected arson.

Date: 15/03/2018 **Time**: 20:31:00

Address: Dickson Road, Blackpool

Fire crews from Blackpool were called to assist in rescuing a person who was stuck after a lift had broken down. They used lift keys and a step ladder to release the individual and were in attendance approximately 10 minutes.

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REPORTING PERIOD: FEBRUARY - MARCH 2018

SUMMARY REPORT FOR: BURNLEY

LOCAL COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTIVITIES (brief details)

Talk To UCLAN students on the roles within the Fire Service

Fire safety teams hosted an interactive session with students at the Burnley campus. The talk included the variation of roles and responsibilities within Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service including the role of a fire fighter, for the ongoing recruitment campaign focusing on the different shift systems and how we risk profile areas within Lancashire. Firefighters are called upon to tackle various emergency situations where problem solving skills and initiative are vital to resolve issues quickly and calmly.

Also in the role of a Community Safety Advisor they spend a lot of time out in the community conducting home fire safety checks and talking to people of various ages and from different backgrounds: fire prevention, road safety and other safety messages. Also important is confidence; resilience; an ability to communicate effectively and a commitment to inclusion, equality and diversity. Initial training is intense and thorough and includes theoretical lectures from various internal departments with an amount of online learning. All staff are expected to undertake a continuous programme of training and take responsibility for developing their own skills and ensuring that they maintain their competency levels.

We discussed the ongoing recruitment of retained firefighters who are firefighters on-call, carry an alerter and are required to respond to an emergency when the alerter activates. Retained firefighters have to be able to respond to the fire station within the required time, so applicants need to either live or work within a close distance. Applicants may already be in a full time job, unemployed or looking for a career that can fit around their childcare or home life. Retained firefighters are trained to deal with a wide range of emergency situations. They provide an agreed contract of hours for emergency cover throughout the week. Additionally, they also undertake weekly evening training sessions at station to maintain and develop skills. Retained firefighters receive full initial training followed by continuous development; this will require dedication. Those responding from work will require their employer's consent, whilst those responding from home must consider the impact on their home life.

We then spoke about opportunities for support staff and how we are slowly introducing apprenticeship schemes. Lancashire fire and rescue service has a range of managerial and support services jobs exist within the areas of Prevention, Protection and Road Safety, Fleet and Engineering, Finance, Human Resources, ICT, Procurement, Princes Trust, Health and Safety, Communications, Administration, Project Management and Management Information to name a few. Most corporate support functions are based at Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters at Fulwood, Preston. The students were informed where to look for jobs and how to navigate around the LFRS website.

INCIDENTS OF OPERATIONAL INTEREST (brief details)

Date: 19/03/2018 **Time**: 12:11:00

Address: Abel Street, Burnley

Fire was located on the ground floor of a commercial premise on Abel Street and involved an electrical consumer unit and store room. Four firefighters were breathing apparatus and used one hose reel and ventilation unit to extinguish the fire and clear the property of smoke. There were no casualties reported.

Date: 08/03/2018 **Time**: 02:58:00

Address: Hawk Street, Burnley

Two fire engines from Burnley were called to a fire involving two motorbikes on Hawk Street, Burnley at 02:58 hours. Firefighters used one hose reel to extinguish the fire. No injuries were reported. The cause of the fire is believed to be suspicious and an ongoing investigation is underway between the fire and police.

Date: 11/03/2018 **Time**: 11:31:00

Address: Albert Street, Burnley

Three fire engines from Burnley, Hyndburn and Nelson attended a fire involving the first floor of a terraced property on Albert Street, Burnley at 11:31 hours. Firefighters used 2 breathing apparatus, one hose reel and a ventilation unit to extinguish the fire. The cause of the fire is under investigation and no injuries were reported.

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REPORTING PERIOD: FEBRUARY - MARCH 2018

SUMMARY REPORT FOR: CHORLEY

LOCAL COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTIVITIES (brief details)

UCLAN Day

Students studying Fire and Leadership at UCLAN were invited to Chorley Fire Station for a day of input on Community Fire Safety. The group were placed in 5 different groups and were each given a topic; males over the age of 80 years, people who are hoarders, individuals who are home oxygen users due to chronic pulmonary diseases, families with several young and very young children and older people with or without a formal diagnosis of dementia (living independently). The students received input on each of the subjects in the form of photos, videos, literature and presentations. Following the input, each of the groups had to put a presentation together on their subject based on what they have learned and presentations are due to be delivered at the end of April.

Boost Your Balance

A fire safety talk to older adults was delivered to a group called 'Boost Your Balance' which is an exercise class held at Cotswold House in Chorley. The people who attended these classes have had a recent fall and the aim of the class was to try to get their balance back. The Community Fire Safety Team delivered a fire safety talk to those attending of which there were 8 people who were predominantly men. This was the start of a regular talk to the group.

INCIDENTS OF OPERATIONAL INTEREST (brief details)

Date: 17/03/2018 **Time**: 03:34:00

Address: Shaw Brow, Whittle le Woods

Firefighters from Bamber Bridge and Chorley attended reports of a fire involving a caravan in Whittle le Woods. They found upon arrival that the fire involved 2 cars and a caravan. Four firefighters wore breathing apparatus and used 2 hose reels and one main jet to extinguish the fire. Crews were in attendance just over one hour.

COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

REPORTING PERIOD: FEBRUARY - MARCH 2018

SUMMARY REPORT FOR: FYLDE

LOCAL COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTIVITIES (brief details)

Family Fun Day

On Saturday 11 November 2017 Wesham Fire Station opened its doors to host a Family Fun and Wellbeing Event for all members of the local community. The event was collaboration between the retained Operational Fire-crews at Wesham Station, St. Anne's Station and local Community Safety Advisors. We were joined by partner organisations such as the Police and the Alzheimer's Society, our LFRS colleagues St Anne's Rope Rescue Unit and a guest appearance was made by the fire dogs.

Members of the local community were able to discuss home fire safety advice with community safety staff, watch demonstrations provided by the fire dogs and team members from the rope rescue team. Operational fire-crews also utilised the hot oil unit and provided demonstrations and offered advice to residents on the dangers of unsafe cooking practice and gave practical tips to ensure that safer practices could be adopted by all.

Dementia Cafe

Community Safety Advisors and Operational Fire-crews have been working closely with Clifton Hospital. The hospital is a community hospital that provides rehabilitation and sub-acute care for the older person and those living with long term conditions. They have 4; recently refurbished wards which are able to care for those living with dementia. The wards accept and care for patients on one of 3 pathways: Orthopaedic Rehabilitation, Medical Rehabilitation and Intermediate Care. Once well enough to leave Clifton Hospital patients are then aligned to appropriate health or social care community pathways to enable continued rehabilitation and care in the patient's home.

The dementia unit at the hospital has begun hosting "Dementia Hubs and Dementia Cafes" and these offer a valuable support mechanism for those whose lives are touched by dementia and they aim to offer continued support once a diagnosis has been made. Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service staff are actively participating in these cafes, along with other partner organisations, and are making significant progress in supporting those members of the local communities who are living with dementia. It is also intended that this summer we will see some of the dementia hubs being hosted on local fire stations.

INCIDENTS OF OPERATIONAL INTEREST (brief details)

Date: 11/03/2018 **Time**: 18:37:00

Address: M55 westbound between junction 3 and 4

Two fire engines from South Shore and Wesham attended a fire involving a vehicle on the M55 westbound between junctions 3 and 4 at 18:37 hours. Firefighters used 2 hose reels and 2 breathing apparatus to extinguish the fire which was on the hard shoulder. No injuries were reported.

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REPORTING PERIOD: FEBRUARY - MARCH 2018

SUMMARY REPORT FOR: HYNDBURN

LOCAL COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTIVITIES (brief details)

Community Engagement

During February and March Operational crew, Community Safety Staff and Senior Managers visited the Raza Jamia Masjid in Accrington as part of "Visit My Mosque Day".

The Raza Jamia Masjid is within the heart of the Accrington community and has recently been built at the cost of £9 million pounds. During the course of our visit and speaking with the members of the committee they were very keen to highlight that this mosque was open to members of all communities irrespective of faith or religion. This openness was reflected in the fact that within the Mosque there is a Community Centre which any group can use free of charge in order to hold events or meetings. Future fire safety events and workshops will be delivered at the centre over the coming months.

INCIDENTS OF OPERATIONAL INTEREST (brief details)

Date: 17/03/2018 **Time**: 07:52:00

Address: Billington Gardens, Billington

Fire crews from Hyndburn and Blackburn were called to a report of an incident involving a shower switch. Crews used a hearth kit and a thermal imaging camera to assess the switch which was then isolated. The occupier was advised to contact an electrician. There were no casualties.

Date: 11/03/2018 **Time**: 11:31:00

Address: Albert Street, Burnley

Three fire engines from Burnley, Hyndburn and Nelson attended a fire involving the first floor of a terraced property on Albert Street, Burnley at 11:31 hours. Firefighters used 2 breathing apparatus, one hose reel and a ventilation unit to extinguish the fire. The cause of the fire is under investigation and no injuries were reported.

COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

REPORTING PERIOD: FEBRUARY - MARCH 2018

SUMMARY REPORT FOR: LANCASTER

LOCAL COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTIVITIES (brief details)

Fire Safety Input to Refugees and Asylum Seekers.

Fire Safety Enforcement (FSE) were contacted by Global Link who are running a series of drop-ins for refugees and asylum-seekers being housed in the Lancaster area. A joint visit was made by both Community Safety Advisors (CSA) and FSE to one of the drop-ins.

It was established that the refugees were multi lingual however; Arabic was identified as the predominant language. A presentation on Home Fire Safety was given by CSA who utilised the presentation 'English as a second or other language' (ESOL), due to the language barrier an interpreter organised by Global link attended the drop-in.

Approximately 50 people attended the event, being a mix of families and single adults. Home Fire Safety Leaflets in both English and Arabic were distributed. As a result of the input Fire Safety Visits have been carried out to occupiers of single dwelling properties.

FSE are carrying out joint visits with Lancaster City Council Strategic Housing to Houses of Multiple Occupation and shared properties, if identified Home Fire safety Visits will be carried out at these properties.

INCIDENTS OF OPERATIONAL INTEREST (brief details)

Date: 20/03/2018 **Time**: 07:42:00

Address: Ashton Road, Ashton-with-Stodday

A fire engine and crew from Lancaster dealt with a car on fire at the roadside on Ashton Rd Ashton-with-Stodday. Starter motor wiring in the engine compartment had overheated and firefighters isolated the fault before fire took hold and spread. There were no casualties.

Date: 19/03/2018 **Time**: 15:06:00

Address: Shaw Lane, Nether Kellet

Carnforth and Lancaster crews attended a kitchen fire at a domestic property on Shaw Lane, Nether Kellet. The fire had spread from the kitchen to the first floor of

the property before firefighters arrived and they quickly set about tackling the fire using 2 breathing apparatus, one hose reel and one ventilation unit. Firefighters also rescued a pet dog from the property and administered oxygen therapy to the animal at the scene prior to the arrival of a check over by a vet, there were no other casualties at the scene. Crews were in attendance for approximately 2 hours.

Date: 18/03/2018 **Time**: 22:41:00

Address: Grange Street, Morecambe

Fire involved an extractor fan in the kitchen of a domestic property. Crews used a hearth kit and a hose reel to extinguish the fire. There were no casualties.

COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

REPORTING PERIOD: FEBRUARY - MARCH 2018

SUMMARY REPORT FOR: PENDLE

LOCAL COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTIVITIES (brief details)

Earby Station Older Persons' Open Day

Community fire safety teams again hosted a 4th coffee morning here in Pennine. The location is rotated on a district basis. The days host a variety of information and guidance on stalls for the people in that particular community. So far the event was trialled as part of the AGE SAFE thematic group, with the aim to reach out to the most vulnerable people within Lancashire. With that said we have seen a boost in partner agencies coming on board from far and wide to take part in the open days. Not only have we made contact with people from diverse communities but we have been able to make first contact with people to further signpost for their own needs on health and well-being. Tackling agendas such as social isolation, diabetes, warmer homes, dementia and many more which also feature in Lancashire fire and rescues Safe and Well visits, we have seen a shift in how we work within the heart of our communities. It is important we identify certain areas demographically so we can offer the best service possible with a multi-agency approach. For some age groups social media is a thing in the distant future, so we have to be different in how we communicate especially with our older generations. Another prompt was from an agency who will be hosting sessions in various areas of Pennine with a view to helping members of the aging population to use social media and how to use android devices such as tablets and phones. This will hopefully prove beneficial in helping to build confidence in using I.T and not being fearful of it in now we are the 20th century. Again this will forge the link between social isolation and loneliness.

INCIDENTS OF OPERATIONAL INTEREST (brief details)

Date: 11/03/2018 **Time**: 09:38:00

Address: A682 Newsholme, Clitheroe

Two fire engines from Barnoldswick and Nelson along with the Hazardous Materials Unit from Burnley attended a road traffic collision on the A682 Newsholme, Clitheroe at 09:38 hours. Firefighters found one milk tanker had overturned when they arrived at the scene and they spent 3 hours making the road safe and preventing any damage to the environment. One person was treated at the scene by paramedics.

Date: 08/03/2018 **Time**: 10:42:00

Address: Emmott Lane, Colne

Four fire engines from Colne and Nelson attended a fire involving toilets in a commercial building on Emmott Lane, Colne at 10:42 hours. Firefighters used 2 breathing apparatus, one hose reel and two ventilation units to extinguish the fire. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

Date: 13/03/2018 **Time**: 02:23:00

Address: Midgley Street, Colne

Firefighters from Colne attended a domestic building fire on Midgley Street, Colne. Crews used a breathing apparatus and a hose reel to extinguish the fire and a ventilation unit to clear the property of smoke. Firefighters were in attendance for approximately one hour. There were no casualties.

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REPORTING PERIOD: FEBRUARY - MARCH 2018

SUMMARY REPORT FOR: PRESTON

LOCAL COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTIVITIES (brief details)

Wasted Lives Talks

On the 4 March a Wasted Lives talk was held at a Young farmers event at Samlesbury Memorial Hall, Cuerdale Lane, Preston. The Wasted lives session was delivered in the evening to 25 young farmers aged between 15-25 years. The presentation involved a powerpoint display showing hard hitting vehicle road traffic related accidents and the impact the road traffic collisions have on victim's parents and family.

Wasted Lives talks were also delivered to the Princes Trust team at Preston Fire Station in March to 12 students aged 17-24.

On both occasions strong safety messages were delivered to the audiences on the dangers of driving too fast or being under the influence of drink or drugs.

Anti-Social Behaviour Initiative

In early February there had been several small secondary fires which occurred within a couple of days of each other at Burnsall Place, Preston. On the 11 February there was a much larger incident which was caused by a small pile of rubbish being set on fire next to a large shipping container. The container was used to store cylinders and fuel at the garage next door. Four fire engines attended the incident and remained there for several hours.

An initiative was put in place for crews to reduce any further fires. Crews ensured that the media were involved and front page coverage was achieved in the local Lancashire Evening Post. Rock FM also covered the incidents for the area by radio.

Crews from Preston engaged with the local community, City council and Police. They gathered information from the residents to pass to the Police regarding who may be responsible. The city council was contacted regarding the current fire setting and a refuse referral was made to the environmental department which involved the Council removing waste/rubbish from the area. Each watch at Preston increased their environmental audits.

Following a high profile media campaign there have been no further fires at Burnsall Place.

Fire Safety talks at aged persons homes and hoarding student safe On the dates below:

06 March 2018 FS Talk Orchard House Black Bull Lane Fulwood Preston 14 March 2018 FS Talk New Brook House New Hall Lane Preston 15 March 2018 FS Talk Hannover Court Village Green Lane Preston21 March 2018 FS Talk Ainscough Brook House Ribbleton Avenue Preston

Community Fire Safety team members from Preston Fire station delivered fire safety talks to residents at the above residential care homes. Residents were given advice of how to prevent fires occurring in their flats and the chance to ask questions to the community staff regarding fire related issues. Since the fires safety talks crews at Preston Station have received a number of HFSC referrals. These HFSC will involve crews carrying out Safe and Well visits in the residents' individual flats.

On the 13 March, the community fire safety team delivered hoarding training to the Early Action Team. The training involved highlighting the dangers of hoarding associated with fires, what actions partner agencies can take when one of their clients is hoarding and the referral process for reporting hoarders to the fire service.

On the 28 March, 2 members of the Community Fire Safety team visited IQ KOPA, University accommodation block following a severe kitchen fire a week earlier. The CFS team delivered a student safe talk to all students who used the shared kitchen.

Recruitment Campaign - Rock FM - Firefighter - have a go day

On the 1 February Rock FM attended Preston Fire Station to record a radio session for one of their listeners who had always wanted to be a firefighter. Matt was invited to take part in some of the activities which a firefighter would be put through on a practical assessment day. Preston Green Watch hosted the event and set up all the required training sessions. The media department from Service Headquarters attended along with a representative from Human resources.

Rock FM recorded the training of Matt taking part in various drills such as moving a casualty, confined space, ladder appreciation and a fitness test. The event was used to promote/encourage would be listeners to "have a go" at apply for the fire service in the future. The radio broadcast was very positive and will hopefully inspire other listeners to consider applying for the Fire Service at the next whole time recruitment process.

INCIDENTS OF OPERATIONAL INTEREST (brief details)

Date: 18/03/2018 **Time**: 18:44:00

Address: Fir Trees Avenue, Preston

Fire crews from Preston were called to a road traffic collision on Fir Trees Avenue, Ribbleton which reportedly involved a car and a property. When crews arrived at the scene they found in fact that the incident just involved 2 vehicles. There was one casualty at the incident who was being treated by ambulance crews at the scene. Firefighters assisted in making the scene safe.

Date: 17/03/2018 **Time**: 18:45:00

Address: Strand Road, Preston

Fire involved a disused boat structure on the bank of the river near Strand Road, Preston. Firefighters used a hose reel to extinguish the fire and were in attendance approximately 15 minutes.

Date: 09/03/2018 **Time**: 06:16:00

Address: Derby Road, Longridge

Four fire engines from Longridge, Preston and Fulwood were called to a fire involving the chimney breast of a commercial building on Derby Road, Longridge at 06:16 hours. Firefighters used 2 hose reels and two ventilation units to extinguish the fire. No injuries were reported and the cause of the fire is under investigation.

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REPORTING PERIOD: FEBRUARY - MARCH 2018

SUMMARY REPORT FOR: RIBBLE VALLEY

LOCAL COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTIVITIES (brief details)

Ribble FM 'Have a Go' at Clitheroe Fire Station

Two presenters from Ribble FM were invited down to Clitheroe Fire Station to have a go at seeing what it is like to be firefighter.

Rebecca Jane and a colleague worked hard trying out the Physical Assessment Day fitness test and finding out more information about Clitheroe Fire Station.

The following morning, Rebecca discussed her experience at the fire station and how she found it during the morning breakfast show on Ribble FM.

The opportunity to invite Ribble FM down to the station came following live interviews with Glen Dinsdale and Kane Dark on Ribble FM 2 weeks earlier where they were promoting RDS recruitment in the town.

INCIDENTS OF OPERATIONAL INTEREST (brief details)

Date: 09/03/2018 **Time**: 06:16:00

Address: Derby Road, Longridge

Four fire engines from Longridge, Preston and Fulwood were called to a fire involving the chimney breast of a commercial building on Derby Road, Longridge at 06:16 hours. Firefighters used 2 hose reels and two ventilation units to extinguish the fire. No injuries were reported and the cause of the fire is under investigation.

Date: 13/03/2018 **Time**: 00:54:00

Address: Gisburn Road, Sawley

Firefighters from Clitheroe were called to reports of a road traffic collision on Gisburn Road in Sawley. It was believed there was a person trapped in the vehicle, however they were released prior to the arrival of fire crews. The casualty was given first aid by Firefighters at the scene prior to the arrival of paramedics. They were at the scene for 15 minutes.

COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

REPORTING PERIOD: FEBRUARY - MARCH 2018

SUMMARY REPORT FOR: ROSSENDALE

LOCAL COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTIVITIES (brief details)

Cooking Safety Campaign

Community fire safety advisors in the Rossendale district gave various talks to groups focusing on the theme for February which was cooking fire safety. Each year, more accidental fires in the home are caused by cooking than anything else.

Cooking-related fires tend to result in the most non-fatal casualties and the second most fatalities (behind smoking products) so the importance of promoting cooking fire safety messages cannot be overestimated. Cooking fire safety covers a range of issues, from not leaving it unattended through to electrical issues. This highlights lots of different messages which need to be tailored appropriately to activity and audiences. Having multiple working smoke alarms and clear escape plans remains of high importance.

Time to talk day at Riverside, Whitworth.

Talked to a group of approximately 20 parents regarding our cooking campaign for the area with information on what we can provide and advise on during our Safe and Well visit.

Cooking Campaign Rossendale.

Calling at various locations including doctors/health centres to provide information on safer cooking. This involved the distribution of the latest Lancashire fire and rescue safety cooking safely literature.

Event at All Age Integrated Workshop Bacup.

The purpose of the event was to introduce the 'integrated all age group model' and then apply to Bacup in terms of resources, services and assets and develop the opportunities for quick wins and, medium and longer term actions to achieve the systems and health outcomes we would require. Through the joint collaborative we aim to focus on future skills with lead professionals. This will improve the dynamics of integrated working and bringing forward learning from other skills sets and information given from other organisations we work alongside.

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INCIDENTS OF OPERATIONAL INTEREST (brief details)

Date: 13/03/2018 **Time**: 14:14:00

Address: Beaufort Road, Bacup

Two fire engines from Backup attended a fire at a domestic property off Beaufort Rd, Weir, Bacup this afternoon. The incident involved the living room of the property which caused heavy smoke logging to the ground floor of the property. Four Firefighters wore breathing apparatus and use one hose reel and a ventilation unit to extinguish the fire. Fire crews administered oxygen therapy to one cat at the scene using a pet mask, however there were no other casualties. They were detained at the scene approximately 4 hours.

Date: 09/03/2018 **Time**: 09:24:00

Address: Lancaster Avenue, Haslingden

One fire engine from Rawtenstall and one from Greater Manchester FRS attended a road traffic collision involving two vehicles on Lancaster Avenue, Haslingden at 09:24 hours. Firefighters used cutting equipment to release one person from one car and they were later assessed by paramedics.

COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

REPORTING PERIOD: FEBRUARY - MARCH 2018

SUMMARY REPORT FOR: SOUTH RIBBLE

LOCAL COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTIVITIES (brief details)

Super Learning Day

The Community Fire Safety (CFS) Team attended the biannual Super Learning Day at St Mary's School in Leyland on 27th February. The day was attended by various different agencies who carried out sessions on, every action has a consequence and hate crime (Police), illegal money lending (England Illegal Money Lending Team) and consent and healthy relationships (NHS Community Team). Every student in Year 11 received input on all 4 of these subjects and a session on anti-social behaviour, hoax calls and their consequences from the CFS Team.

The sessions were very well received by the students and the teachers who attended.

Mini Hub - Leyland Market

The Leyland Neighbourhood Forum runs a series of information stands at Leyland Market once a month throughout 2017 and 2018. Those attending the market are able to receive information about support services from organisations including the Alzheimer's Society, Age Concern Central Lancashire, Progress Lifeline and others. Information from Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service included guardian angels, how we support those living with dementia and services for older people. The sessions in February and March had been very well attended by the general public and referrals had been generated for home fire safety checks.

INCIDENTS OF OPERATIONAL INTEREST (brief details)

Date: 16/03/2018 **Time**: 21:46:00

Address: Kings Court, Leyland

Fire involved a shed at a domestic property which was well alight when Firefighters arrived at the scene. Fire crews from Bamber Bridge and Leyland attended and upon inspection found that there were gas cylinders stored inside the shed. Firefighters used breathing apparatus, one main jet and 2 hose reels to extinguish the fire and to cool the cylinders. Police were requested to attend the incident as it is believed the fire had been started deliberately. An investigation is now underway.

COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

REPORTING PERIOD: FEBRUARY - MARCH 2018

SUMMARY REPORT FOR: WEST LANCASHIRE

LOCAL COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTIVITIES (brief details)

British Living Foundation Talk

A fire safety talk was delivered to the West Lancashire and Southport Breathe Easy Group who are part of the British Lung Foundation, a support group for those living with a lung condition. The talk was around general fire safety including electricals, fire plans, closing doors and taking a mobile phone to bed. Particular emphasis was placed on the particular precautions that can be taken by those respiratory patients using home oxygen equipment as oxygen is highly flammable and it was stressed that hoarding oxygen cylinders in the home is a dangerous practice to be avoided. The talk and all the advice was published in The Champion newspaper which is a free local newspaper that goes out to the residents of West Lancashire.

Pensioners Association Talk

The Community Fire Safety Team delivered a fire safety talk to West Lancashire Pensioners Association on Tuesday 20 March at St Anne's Parish Hall on Prescott Road in Ormskirk. There were approximately 30 people present who were all over the age of 60. After the introduction, they spoke about fire in the home and covered topics such as closing doors, overloading sockets, contacting the fire service, mobile phones and electrical safety, the dangers of smoke and its effects, hard of hearing alarms, personal safety and the different preventative equipment Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service had to offer people when they do an individual assessment of their property. There was a good response and the audience were very appreciative. A thank you email was received which stated 'Just wanted to express our grateful thanks for arranging such a great presentation. He was very favourably welcomed and rightly so. Give him our thanks and best wishes; hope he enjoyed it as much as we did.'

INCIDENTS OF OPERATIONAL INTEREST (brief details)

Date: 20/03/2018 **Time**: 11:46:00

Address: Welbourne, Skelmersdale

Two fire engines and crews from Skelmersdale dealt with a fire in the kitchen of a house on Welbourne, Skelmersdale. No-one was injured and Firefighters equipped with breathing apparatus used a hosereel jet to extinguish the fire. The fire started in a tumble dryer.

Date: 14/03/2018 **Time**: 19:56:00

Address: Liverpool Road, Skelmersdale

Two fire crews from Skelmersdale were called to reports of a fire involving a commercial premise. When they arrived they found the fire involved a disused portacabin at the rear of the property. They wore breathing apparatus and used one hose reel jet to extinguish the fire. Lighting equipment was also in use at the scene. The portacabin was completely destroyed by the fire. They were in attendance approximately 45 minutes. The fire is believed to have been started deliberately and a joint investigation alongside Police is now underway. Anyone with any information is encouraged to contact the Police one 101 ref: LC20180214-1396.

COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

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SUMMARY REPORT FOR: WYRE

LOCAL COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTIVITIES (brief details)

Leadership programme – Preesall Fire Cadets.

After The Service agreed to adopt the 3 year National Fire Cadet development programme for Cadets, resulting in the retention of a number of year 1 Cadets into years 2 and 3. This would take some Cadets to the age of 16 where they can themselves become volunteer instructors.

Fire Cadet Leaders approached Training and Operational Review (TOR) to establish if a leadership programme could be developed for their Crew/Watch Manager Fire Cadets and unit volunteers. The aim was to give them the confidence and skills they require to take a leading role in the running of the Units, ultimately providing a cornerstone for future sustainability of the Units.

The day consisted of a number of practical activities and worksheets to help develop leadership skills and help identify individual learning and communication styles.

Theoretical topics covered Kolb's learning cycle, EDIP theory (Explain, Demonstrate, Imitate, Practice) after which The Cadets completed the VAK (Visual Auditory Kinaesthetic) questionnaire which identified their individual learning styles. This gave the Fire Cadets the opportunity to identify their own learning style and the confidence to explain and reflect on how it can affect them when taking part in group tasks.

Positive feedback was received from both Volunteers and Fire Cadets – 'I got so much out of the day personally and The Cadets learned so much to take forward in School, Cadets and future careers' (Volunteer)

'That I am more of a kinaesthetic learner which explains a lot more about myself' (Fire Cadet)

INCIDENTS OF OPERATIONAL INTEREST (brief details)

Date: 17/03/2018 **Time**: 17:12:00

Address: Lancaster New Road, Cabus, Preston

Firefighters from Garstang were called to a report of a fire involving a domestic chimney on Westfield Lancaster New Road. Crews requested the attendance of the Aerial Ladder Platform from Morecambe to assist in tackling the fire. They used a

chimney kit and a hose reel to extinguish the fire.

Date: 09/03/2018 **Time**: 07:19:00

Address: Stricklands Lane, Preesall

Two fire engines from Preesall and Bispham attended a gas leak in Stalmine following a road traffic collision on Stricklands Lane at 07:19 hours. The car had crashed through a hedge and ruptured the gas main resulting in gas leaking under pressure. Firefighters put up a 50 metre cordon which meant 5 properties were evacuated and the road was closed. Engineers from Cadent Gas worked with firefighters to isolate the gas and by 10:00 hours firefighters were beginning to leave the incident ground.