

Briefing report for Westbury Area Board



Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service has grouped together neighbouring fire stations into station hubs, to work more effectively and efficiently, supporting each other to improve the service we provide.

Responding to incidents:

Your Area Board's / Locality's communities immediate emergency response will be provided by staff at these stations and where necessary additional support from staff and specialist equipment from other stations.

Prevention work:

Staff from other departments also provides the community with specialist services giving fire safety and road safety advice and interventions such as talks and visits.

Protection work:

Specialist staff provide expert knowledge, give advice and undertake enforcement action working very closely with the planning authorities to keep communities safe from fire.

In an **emergency dial 999**, for other non urgent matters you can either visit our website: www.wiltsfire.gov.uk or contact the following people:

	Manager / Department	<u>Telephone</u>	<u>email</u>
Operational matters	Station Manager – Andy GREENE Trowbridge, Bradford- on_Avon, Westbury Station Hub	07734483886	andy.greene@wiltsfire.gov.uk
Partnership and community engagement issues	Michael Franklin (Wiltshire Council Area)	07919 306037	mike.franklin@wiltsfire.gov.uk
Home fire safety visits and for talks and visits	Community safety department	0800 389 7849	www.wiltsfire.gov.uk and then complete the on line request

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To see more detail on the latest news and fire service activity in your area please go to our website; www.wiltsfire.gov.uk

Local news from your Station Manager. (In development)

June 2014

Westbury crews attended 8 calls; 6 of which were within Westbury's own 'station ground'. Two calls were in support of other stations, including attendance at the big scrap yard fire in Shails Lane, Trowbridge.

July 2014

Local crews responded to 19 calls; 10 within own ground, and 9 were in support of other stations.

5 calls were false alarms

6 were flooding as a result of the thunder storms.

Westbury fire crews have again played host to some children from Chernobyl who have an annual visit to the town.

Open Day

The station will be opening its doors from 10 till 16.00 on the 6th September for an open day. We will be on the look out for potential new firefighters and will be offering the chance to try out some of the skills that are required.

Strengthening our FRS - Public Consultation:21 July to 20 October 2014

This is your chance to engage directly with us and speak up about what is happening on your doorstep.

Wiltshire & Swindon Fire Authority and Dorset Fire Authority are both independently considering the best way to protect frontline emergency services as they both have continuing financial pressures and public expenditure reductions. This funding gap could significantly threaten frontline services if nothing else is done to make the necessary savings. Despite making substantial savings over the past four years, we still have to find large sums of money, which is unachievable unless we are prepared to do things differently.

To find more information on how to take part in this important consultation go to our website and click on the consultation portal: Go to WWW.Wiltsfire.gov.uk

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