

# AGENDA SUPPLEMENT (1)

**Meeting:** Trowbridge Area Board

**Place:** Conference Suite - County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge, BA14 8JN

**Date:** Thursday 5 October 2023

**Time:** 6.30 pm

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**The Agenda for the above meeting was published on 27 September 2023. Additional documents are now available and are attached to this Agenda Supplement.**

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## DORSET & WILTSHIRE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

### WILTSHIRE AREA BOARD REPORT

#### **Community Safety Plan**

DWFRS Community Safety Plan can be found on the DWFRS website;  
<http://www.dwfire.org.uk/community-safety-plan/>

#### **Prevention**

We are committed to making a real difference to the lives of people in Dorset and Wiltshire. Our aim is to reduce the level of risk and harm to our communities from fire, targeting those most at risk. We do this primarily through our Safe and Well visits.

A Safe and Well visit is **FREE** and normally lasts about one hour covering topics such as:

- Using electricity safely
- Cooking safely
- Making an escape plan
- What to do if there is a fire
- Keeping children safe
- Good practice – night time routine and other points relevant to you
- Identifying and discussing any further support the occupier may need

Are you or anyone you know:-

- Over the age of 65?
- Need a smoke detector?
- Have a long-term health condition?
- Suffer from poor hearing or sight loss?
- Would you struggle to escape in the event of a fire?

If you can answer yes to more than one of these questions, then please call us on 0800 038 2323 or visit <https://www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/safe-and-well-visits/>



## Protection

On-going interaction by Protection Team members with Local Authorities, Private landlords and tenants regarding fire safety-related matters: external cladding systems; fire detection and warning systems; fire resisting doors (& self-closers); combustibility/fire resistance of construction materials; commercial and residential sprinklers systems and water-mist suppression systems

### **General Enquiries**

If you have a general fire safety enquiry regarding commercial property, please email [fire.safety@dwfire.org.uk](mailto:fire.safety@dwfire.org.uk) and the Fire Safety Team will respond in office hours.

### **Fire Safety Complaint**

If you wish to tell us about fire safety risks in commercial premises, such as locked or blocked fire exits, you have three options:

- You can email the fire safety department at [enforcement@dwfire.org.uk](mailto:enforcement@dwfire.org.uk)
- Call 01722 69 1717 during office hours (9am-5pm).
- Call our Service Control Centre on 0306 799 0019 out of office hours (5pm-9am)

## On Call Recruitment

Have you always wondered if you could join the fire service, but haven't had the opportunity to find out more? Have you found yourself seeking your next challenge, keen to give back to the local community or wanting to learn new skills including leadership and teamwork? Then becoming an on-call firefighter is for you.

As a paid position, on-call firefighters commit anywhere between 60 to 120 hours per week, during which time they must be able to respond to the station immediately.

Many have 'normal' jobs during the day, then upon their return home make themselves available overnight or during the weekends. Some of our crew respond from their workplaces during the day, and we are very grateful to their employers for releasing them to perform their vital duties.

Anyone over 18 years old can apply (although you can also apply once you are 17½) you must be able to respond and attend the fire station within 5-8 minutes, you have a good standard of physical fitness (i.e. you are generally active), and you must have the right to work in the UK.

Further information on becoming an On Call Firefighter can be found at [www.dwfire.org.uk/working-for-us/on-call-firefighters/](http://www.dwfire.org.uk/working-for-us/on-call-firefighters/) or should you have any questions, you can call **01722 691444**.

## **Recent News & Event**

### **Businesses urged to plan for new fire safety legislation**

Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service is supporting Business Safety Week, which runs between 11 and 17 September.

This campaign by the National Fire Chiefs Council (NFCC) helps businesses understand their fire safety responsibilities and therefore remain safe, legal, and compliant.

To find out more about this, please visit:-

<https://www.dwfire.org.uk/news/businesses-urged-to-plan-for-new-fire-safety-legislation/>

### **Student accommodation**



#WelcomeToLifeAtUni

There are things you can do to improve your safety and security as a student, especially if you're moving into new accommodation.

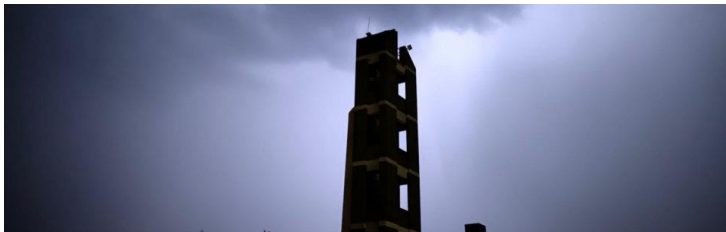
Every year, around 350 18-24 year olds are injured in accidental house fires started by cigarettes, smoking materials and cooking. Therefore, you need to make sure that you're familiar with the basics of fire and gas safety, as well as home and personal security.

To find out more information, please visit :-

<https://www.dwfire.org.uk/safer-housing/student-accomodation/>



## Storms and power cuts



When stormy weather is forecast, there are things we can all do to make sure we're prepared and staying as safe as possible.

For information on ways to stay safe in adverse conditions, please visit:-

<https://www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/storms-and-power-cuts/>

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	Deliberate Fires					
	Jun-22	Jul-22	Aug-22	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23
BOA	0	0	0	1	0	0
Devizes	1	4	3	2	0	1
Melksham	0	1	0	2	1	0
Trowbridge	3	5	11	4	3	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>			<b>16</b>		

	Accidental Dwelling Fires					
	Jun-22	Jul-22	Aug-22	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23
BOA	0	0	0	0	3	0
Devizes	2	1	0	1	2	1
Melksham	0	1	1	0	1	0



Trowbridge	0	2	2	0	0	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>			<b>11</b>		

AFA's Domestic						
	Jun-22	Jul-22	Aug-22	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23
BOA	2	5	6	1	2	4
Devizes	3	1	5	3	8	3
Melksham	1	10	12	8	12	5
Trowbridge	9	4	13	6	14	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>71</b>			<b>81</b>		

AFA's Non Domestic						
	Jun-22	Jul-22	Aug-22	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23
BOA	1	0	4	1	0	2
Devizes	5	6	1	4	4	1
Melksham	4	5	4	1	2	4
Trowbridge	3	0	8	1	5	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>41</b>			<b>28</b>		

RTC's						
	Jun-22	Jul-22	Aug-22	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23
BOA	1	0	1	0	0	1
Devizes	0	3	1	1	1	2
Melksham	0	1	1	0	0	2
Trowbridge	1	1	0	1	0	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>			<b>11</b>		



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