

## Warminster Area Board Report, 2 March 2017

I am pleased to report that the service now has a new Assistant Chief. After a rigorous appointment process that was open to external candidates Jim Mahoney has been promoted from within the service from Area Manager to Assistant Chief Fire Officer for Operations.

The service has been combined for 10 months and has achieved some significant results:

- Delivery of 6,254 free Safe and Well visits, taking home fire safety advice to people's homes and fitting free smoke detectors where appropriate.
- Fire safety education delivered to 8,982 Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 students.
- Continued support of the SafeWise centres in Bournemouth and Weymouth, contributing to the education of 6,349 young people.
- A site secured at Wroughton for the development of a new SafeWise centre to serve the communities of Swindon and Wiltshire – due to open in 2018.
- Seven Salamander courses held in Wiltshire and Swindon to deliver positive outcomes for young people, including clients of JobCentre Plus.
- Roll-out of the Alzheimer's Society 'Dementia Friends' training to operational crews.
- Delivery of 43 Safe Drive Stay Alive roadshows for schools and colleges, impacting on around 10,500 students.
- Contact with over 1,000 businesses to educate them on their fire safety responsibilities.
- Purchase of four replacement fire engines for this financial year, and an order placed for two replacement aerial ladder platforms.

### **Fire Calls for Warminster Fire station;**

Dec: Unavailable at time of writing

<b>Category</b>	<b>Warminster</b>
False Alarm	
Fire	
Other	
Special Service	
<b>Total</b>	

Jan: Unavailable at time of writing

<b>Category</b>	<b>Warminster</b>
False Alarm	
Fire	



**DORSET & WILTSHIRE  
FIRE AND RESCUE**

Other	
Special Service	
<b>Total</b>	

### Availability of RDS appliances;

Dec

	Appliance	
% Available	KT45P1	100
% Available	KT45P2	52.22
% Available	KT45N3	Not available

Jan

	Appliance	
% Available	KT45P1	100
% Available	KT45P2	73.42
% Available	KT45N3	Not available

The “Difficult Hours” for On-Call cover tends to be 0700 to 1800hrs weekdays, and weekends from 1800hrs Friday until 1800 hours Sunday.

As can be seen there is a decrease in availability of the second appliance. This was in particular over the Christmas period and the station personnel would work to their required hours only in order to spend time at home with their family.

Warminster Fire Station also have a number of personnel that assist the fire service through community work and assisting to put appliances on the run elsewhere in the service. This has an impact on the second appliance availability.

Working with the Station Commander I will be recruiting more staff. Currently there are two persons interested in joining. These people are working through the recruitment system. It will take a number of months for their presence to be seen on the appliance. Vacancies are currently advertised on the new service website at <http://www.dwfire.org.uk/>.

### Community Contact Work

Remember Natash Vilijoen is available for Safe and Well visits and talks to your groups.



A Safe and Well visit is available and is **FREE** and normally last 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 you may need if necessary

If you have thatch property, are living alone, have a young family, are over 65 or a smoker please get in contact with us. We want to help make you safer in your own home. If you or someone you know has mobility or sight and hearing impairments please suggest a Safe and Well visit.

Visit <http://www.dwfire.org.uk/news/new-name-new-contact-details-same-service/> to book one.

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