

## **Report for Bradford on Avon Area Board – May 2011**

### **Fires**

WFRS attended 2 accidental fires during the months of March and April 2011. These involved a house fire and a tree falling on to a transformer.

There was one deliberate fire involving refuse. WFRS continues to work with Wiltshire Police and other agencies to identify persons who are responsible for deliberate fire setting.

### **Injuries**

There were 3 injuries for this period that were sustained in the house fire.

### **RTC'S**

We attended 1 Road Traffic Collision on the B3109 Bradford Leigh. One person was injured.

### **Co-Responder Calls**

WFRS have responded to 27 co-responder calls over this period.

### **Community Safety**

#### **Take care with your barbecue!**

With two Bank Holiday weekends approaching, and a forecast of good weather, this year's barbecue season has started early. Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service wants everyone to enjoy the sunshine in safety, so please follow this simple advice if you break out the barbecue over the coming weeks:

- Keep young children well away from the barbecue.
- Keep a bucket of water, sand or a garden hose handy in case of emergency.
- Stand portable barbecues on an even surface and make sure they are away from the house, fences or shed.
- Don't place the barbecue on dry grass or vegetation.
- Use only approved lighter fuels - never petrol or paraffin.
- Make sure you never smoke around any fuel source.
- Lighter fuels must only be applied before lighting.
- Make sure matches are extinguished before disposing of them.
- Remember to light your charcoal an hour before you start cooking.
- Don't be over generous with the charcoal.
- Be careful with fatty foods and never pour oil onto meat when it is cooking.
- Make sure alcohol doesn't affect your ability to act safely whilst cooking.
- Never pour petrol on any barbecue to try and re-ignite it – start the process again.
- After you have finished cooking, extinguish the burning coals. DO NOT dispose of the embers into a wheelie bin or other container until you are completely sure they are cold.
- Make sure the controls and cylinder valves of a gas barbecue are turned off before you store it away. Store your cylinder in a well ventilated area and check connections for leaks.

For more Community Safety information please visit [www.wiltsfire.gov.uk](http://www.wiltsfire.gov.uk) for more information.