

# Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service

Wiltshire and Swindon Fire Authority

## **Report for Corsham Area Board**

#### **Fires**

WFRS attended 10 accidental fires in the Boards area during March and April 2010. Six of these involved chimney fires. The remainder involved a washing machine, a pan left on a stove and food in a microwave and an oven.

We have also attended 9 deliberate fires within the same period. 4 of these incidents involved vehicles being destroyed or severely damaged by fire, the remainder involved grass and similar materials being deliberately ignited. WFRS continues to work with other agencies to reduce deliberate fire setting.

#### **Injuries**

No individuals have been injured through any fire related incident that we have attended during March and April 2010.

#### RTC'S

WFRS have attended 4 Road Traffic Collisions within the Boards area. These occurred near Biddestone Lane, A350 near Whitehall Garden Centre, Bradford Road Corsham and outside Kingsdown Golf Club.

### **Community Safety**

With reference to particular incidents that we have attended WFRS would like to remind individuals to remain vigilant and not leave cooking unattended or leave pans on the hob once you have finished cooking. These actions have led to 2 fires occurring in recent times.

We would also like to remind individuals that it is important to follow manufacturer's instructions when cooking or heating food in a microwave.

With warmer and sunnier weather on the horizon we would like to remind people that carelessness outdoors while barbecuing or camping can have fatal results or cause serious injury. Fires can destroy large areas of countryside, people's property and delicate eco-systems.

For further information on how to prevent these types of incidents occurring please visit www.direct.gov.uk/firekills