

# Corsham Area Board - Report 11th Sept 2017

## Safe Drive Stay Alive

Safe Drive, Stay Alive is an educational road show co-ordinated and managed by Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service. It is designed to raise awareness of the nature and extent of personal tragedy and suffering a Road Traffic Collision can and does cause. From Sept to Jan we are organising 59 Safe Drive roadshow across the Service delivered to 15-18,000 people, mainly in the 15-19 age groups. Locally events will take place at the Neeld Hall, Chippenham on 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> November.

A film of a road traffic collision links the onstage personal testimonies which come from serving members of all three emergency services, parents of young people who have lost their lives in a road traffic collision and those left disabled by the actions of young drivers. The attendees actually get to meet and speak to those with first-hand experience of how a Road Traffic Collision can change lives.

It leaves those attending aware of their personal vulnerability and accountability as new drivers and is designed to impact in a positive way upon their attitude towards the concept of driving.

This programme survives because of the willingness of all the partners to be involved. We are now in our 11<sup>th</sup> year of delivery and believe it's important to continue the programme to ensure every generation receives this live saving education. We provide the education free of charge and provide free transport for over 10,000 students (the bulk of our costs) to ensure they all have the chance to attend. The roadshow relies on donations to survive and keep the education going.

#### <u>Response</u>

#### Total Incidents attended by DWFRS for Corsham Area; 09/07/17 – 31/08/17.

DWFRS have responded to 22 incidents on Corsham's station ground between the dates above categorised in the table below.

The number of fires includes 2 accidental dwelling fires originating in the kitchen.





Category	Total Incidents
False Alarm	7
Fire	6
Special Service	9
Total	22

### **Community Engagement**

Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service provides a free service called a Safe and Well visit. We will visit a person's home by appointment and discuss any safety issues in the home. We will also have a conversation about improving an individual's health and well-being.

If you or someone you know need a smoke alarm, some advice or are worried about what to do in an emergency, contact us for a free Safe and Well visit; http://www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/safe-and-well-visits/

#### **Community Safety Plan**

DWFRS Community Safety Plan 2016 – 2020 outlines our plans for the future. It explains the diverse services we provide and how we plan to improve and deliver them over the four-year period. The plan can be found on the DWFRS website <u>http://www.dwfire.org.uk/community-safety-plan/</u>

#### **On-Call Recruitment**

Corsham Fire Station is crewed by part time "On-Call" Fire fighters. To maintain the availability of the fire engine at the station we are recruiting for On-Call Fire fighters. We are particularly interested in people who could provide availability at weekends. If you are interested or know anyone who might be interested, please visit our website (check the link below) or contact our HR team on 01722 691444.

https://www.dwfire.org.uk/working-for-us/on-call-firefighters/

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