



Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service

Wiltshire and Swindon Fire Authority

Report for Chippenham Area Board

Fires

The number of accidental fires that WFRS attended within the Board's area during January and February 2010 was 16.

These involved a range of vehicles including cars, a van and a motorcycle, a cooker, an aga, an unattended bonfire, a lamp post transformer and an electrical fire in an industrial building. The remaining 7 involved chimney fires.

It is pleasing to report that WFRS saw a decrease in the number of deliberate fires that we attended during the same period, there being 1 incident of this type. This involved a fire work being placed in a pillar box in Audley Rd. We continue to work with other agencies to identify persons who are responsible for deliberate fire setting.

Injuries

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

RTCs

WFRS have attended 10 Road Traffic Collisions within the Boards area during January and February 2010. 3 of these incidents have occurred on the M4 and the others in a variety of locations.

Community Safety

Community Fire Safety Activities continue to focus on Chimney Fire Safety. We have seen an increase in these types of incidents in recent weeks. As it has been a long, cold winter we would advise occupiers to have their chimneys swept regularly, as they may have been used on a more frequent basis than in previous years.

With reference to an incident that we have recently attended it would seem opportune to remind individuals to consider kitchen safety, in particular to not leave their cooking unattended, and to keep all cooking appliances and utensils clean and free from a build up of grease.

For further information please visit www.direct.gov.uk/firekills