

AGENDA ITEM: 11

NORTH WALES FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

19th March 2007

COMMUNITY FIRE SAFETY ACTIVITIES

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Purpose of Report

1. A report was submitted at the Fire Authority Meeting on 18th December 2006 to inform Members of the activities on Day Crewed Stations prior to and since the change of shift pattern. This report is to update Members of the Community Safety Activities of all fire stations.

Introduction

2. This report has been undertaken to compare the completed work activities of all fire stations in 2005/06 and 2006/07.

Background

- 3. The fire stations covered in the previous report were
 - Bangor
 - Caernarfon
 - Colwyn Bay
 - Deeside
 - Holyhead
 - Llandudno
 - Rhyl
 - Wrexham

This report covers activities at all fire stations.



Information

- **4.** Total Home Fire Safety Checks conducted by Wholetime and Day Crewed Stations from 1st April 2005 to March 2006 was 2338.
- 5. Total Home Fire Safety Checks conducted by Wholetime and Day Crewed Stations from 1st April 2006 to 5th February 2007 was 4619.
- 6. Other Community Safety Activities include:-
 - Events
 - Talks (General, Schools and Other)
 - Quizzes
- **7.** Total Community Safety activities carried out from 1st April 2005 to March 2006 was 9857.2 (hours).
- **8.** Total Community Safety activities carried out from 1st April 2006 to 5th February 2007 was 9783.5 (hours).
- **9.** The full breakdown of the CFS Activities for Wholetime and Day Crewed Stations for 2005-06 and 2006-07 is attached as Appendix A and Appendix B.
- **10.** Home Fire Safety Checks (HFSCs) carried out at Retained Duty System (RDS) fire stations for the quarter November 2005 to January 2006 was 973 visits.
- **11.** HFSCs carried out at Retained Duty System (RDS) fire stations for the comparative quarter, November 2006 to January 2007 was 1572 visits.



Financial Implications

- **12.** To engage in community safety activities crews may have been called in by their managers to assist in these activities at times that involve the payment of overtime.
- **13.** Total Overtime payments for all fire stations in respect of community safety activities from 1st April 2005 to March 2006 was £5962.24.

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14. Overtime payments are shown in Appendix C attached.

Other Community Safety Activities undertaken

- **15.** There are a range of activities undertaken to engage youth development, reduce road traffic collisions and to meet the wider social agenda.
- **16.** Appendix D and E details the range of activities being carried out across North Wales.
- **17.** Total Overtime payments for the 7 Wholetime and Day Crewed stations in respect of community safety activities from 1st April 2006 to 5th February 2007 was £3553.68.
- **18.** The full breakdown of overtime payments for CFS Activities for Wholetime and Day Crewed Stations for 2005-06 and 2006-07 is attached as Appendix C.



Other Community Safety Activities undertaken (continued)

19. There have been two recent fire incidents where smoke detectors have been fitted by North Wales Fire & Rescue Service. These detectors have alerted the occupants who have then safely evacuated from the premises on fire. These incidents were in Llandegfan and Llanferres.

Recommendation

20. That members note the information provided.