

QUARTERLY MONITORING REPORT

Covering the activities and performance in support of the Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Angus



Quarter Three: 2019/20



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INTRODUCTION

This is the quarter three monitoring report covering the SFRS's performance and activities in support of the six priorities in the Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Angus, namely:

- Priority 1 Improving fire safety in the home
- Priority 2 Improving fire safety and resilience in the business community
- Priority 3 Minimising the impact of unintentional harm
- Priority 4 Reducing unwanted fire alarm signals
- Priority 5 Reducing deliberate fires
- Priority 6 Effective risk management and operational preparedness

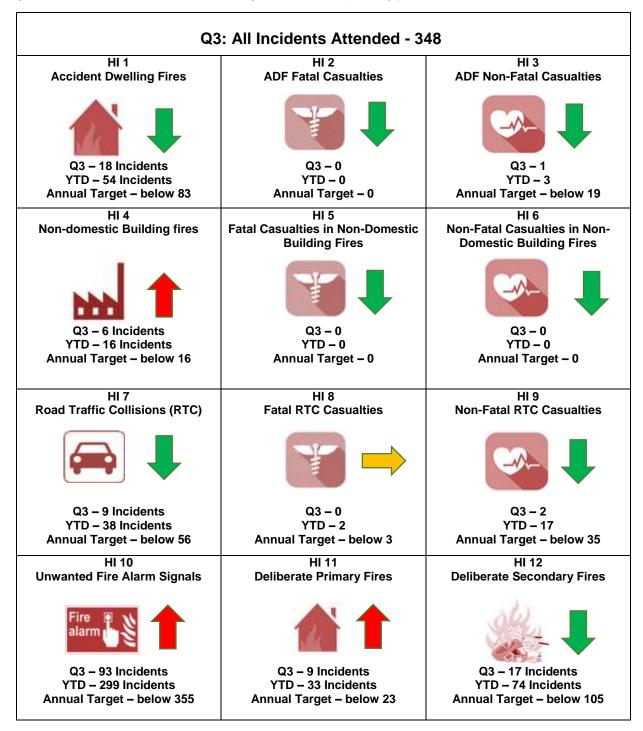
As well as supporting the six priorities in the Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Angus, this monitoring report shows how SFRS activities and performance contribute to the wider priorities of the Angus Council Community Planning Partnership (CPP), as set out in the Angus Local Outcome Improvement Plan (LOIP).

The figures in this report are provisional, to provide the Committee with the SFRS's direction of travel in the Angus area, in terms of performance against headline indicators and targets. Most figures will not change; however, members should note that there may be some small variations for some indicators when the final confirmed figures are published by the SFRS.

The Angus Council Scrutiny and Audit Committee agreed the new Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Angus on 22 September 2017, covering the 3-year period from 01 October 2017 to September 2020. In support of delivering the priorities in this plan, 12 headline indicators and targets have been set, and form the basis of this quarterly monitoring report.

PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

The table below provides a summary of 2019/20 quarter three activity and year to date (YTD) progress, based on annual targets set against headlines indicators. It aims to provide – at a glance – our direction of travel during the current reporting year.



YTD Performance, Based on Annual Target

₽	Below target	
	Less than 10% above target	
	More than 10% above target	

PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS

Of the 12 headline indicators and targets, the following performance should be noted for quarter three 2019/20:

- The number of **Accidental Dwelling Fires (ADF)** was low when compared to the 3-year average. There is evidence of a downward trend in the number of ADF's emerging. During quarter three, over 75% of ADF's we classed as low severity, requiring little or no intervention from the Service.
- There were zero **ADF Fatalities**, and one **ADF Casualties** during quarter three. There is evidence of a downward trend in the number of ADF Casualties emerging. We continue to target our Home Safety Visits towards the vulnerable in our communities.
- The number of **Non-Domestic Building Fires** during quarter three was 6 and therefore above average for that quarter. **Non-domestic Fire Fatalities and Non-Fatal Fire Fatalities** were zero, and therefore continue to stay very low. We have reached the annual target of 16 therefore are showing red for this indicator.
- We attended 9 Road Traffic Collision's (RTC) during quarter three which is down when compared to the 3-year average of 13 RTC's for quarter three. There were no RTC Related Fatalities, and 2 RTC Related Injuries – the latter well below the 3-year average for the time of year.
- We dealt with 93 Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals (UFAS) during quarter three Nearly one third of incidents we attended during the quarter. We continue to work towards reducing UFAS through engagement with our highest offenders.
- A total of **9 Deliberate Primary Fires** were reported during quarter three, which is above the 3-year average for the quarter. There were **17 Deliberate Secondary Fires** reported during quarter three, which is a about average when compared to the last 3 years for quarter three.

PRIORITY 1 - IMPROVING FIRE SAFETY IN THE HOME

HI 1 – Accidental Dwelling Fires (ADF)

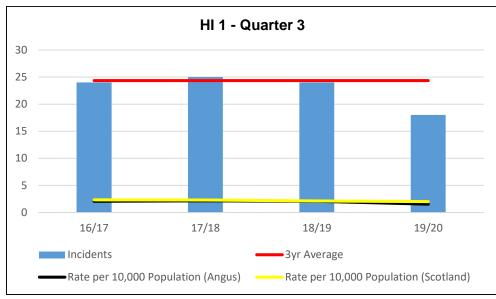


Table 1: Year to Date (April to December 2019) Performance

	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	YTD	Annual Target
HI 1: ADF's	75	54	59	54	Green	83

HI 2 - ADF Fatal Casualties & HI 3 - ADF Non-Fatal Casualties

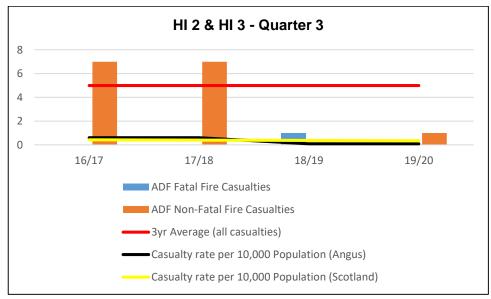


Table 2: Year to Date (April to December 2019) Performance

	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	YTD	Annual Target
HI 2: ADF Fatal Casualties	0	0	2	0	Green	0
HI 3: ADF Non-Fatal Casualties	13	11	8	3	Green	19

The largest single type of primary fire in Angus is accidental fires in the home and their prevention is a key focus of the Service's community safety activity. HI 1 – Accidental Dwelling Fires (ADF)

As a headline target, the aim is to reduce the rate of ADF's, in a growing Angus population and changing demographics, by keeping these fires **below 83**, each year.

HI 2 – ADF Fatal Casualties

This indicator counts those people for whom fire has been clearly identified as the cause of death, even if they die some-time after the actual fire. Those who die at, or after, the fire but where fire is **not** identified as the cause of death are not included in these figures. As a headline target, the aim is to have **Zero ADF Fatal Casualties**, in Angus each year.

HI 3 – ADF Non-Fatal Casualties

This headline target counts all types of non-fatal fire injury in the home, including precautionary checks. As a headline target, the aim is to reduce the risk of injury from fire in the home, in an increasing Angus population, by keeping fire injuries **below 19**, each year.

What we aim to Achieve

As well as helping to deliver Priority One: *Improving Fire Safety in the Home*, meeting the headline targets will also support a long-term ambition in the Angus LOIP: *To be in the top five Scottish local authority areas for least rate of primary dwelling fires by 2030.*

We also link this headline target to improving the following Angus LOIP outcomes:

- Safe, secure, vibrant and sustainable communities
- Improved physical, mental and emotional health and well-being
- An enhanced, protected and enjoyed natural and built environment

Performance Management

There were 18 ADFs during quarter 3 which is 6 below the average of the previous 3 years for that quarter. Two thirds of these are attributed to cooking with one third involving an elderly person. In 14 of our ADFs there was very little or no fire damage and in most cases, there was no firefighting action required other than removal from the heat source. Based on our target of keeping ADF's below 83 each year, we are currently showing green for achieving the HI 1 annual target.

There were zero ADF Fatal Casualties during quarter three, and therefore we show green for achieving the HI 2 annual target.

There was one ADF Non-Fatal Casualties during quarter three, which is below the average for that quarter. Based on our target of keeping fire injuries below 19 each year, we are currently showing green for achieving the HI 3 annual target. As identified in previous quarterly reports, there is evidence of a downward trend in the number of ADF Non-Fatal Casualties emerging.

In support of the targets, Appendix One, details a range of our activities during quarter three, including completing 326 Home Fire Safety Visits (HFSV's) of which 120 were classed as high risk targeting the most vulnerable people in our communities. We continue to engage with those in residential caravan sites and we are also working with Angus Alive Mobile Library to target our more rural locations offering HFSV advice and risk recognition. Our referrals pathway from our partners also still assists us with high risk visits.

PRIORITY 2 – IMPROVING FIRE SAFETY AND RESILIENCE IN THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY

HI 4 – Non-Domestic Building Fires

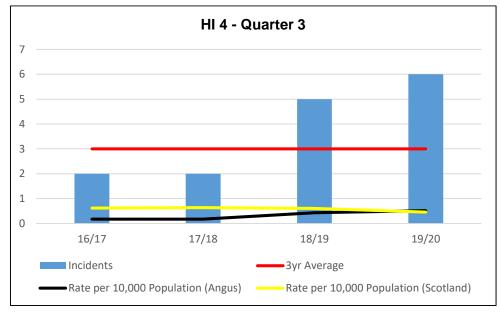


Table 3: Year to Date (April to December 2019) Performance

	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	YTD	Annual Target
HI 4: Non-Domestic Building Fires	12	11	13	16	Red	16

HI 5 – Fatal Fire Casualties in Non-Domestic Buildings & HI 6 – Non-Fatal Fire Casualties in Non-Domestic Buildings

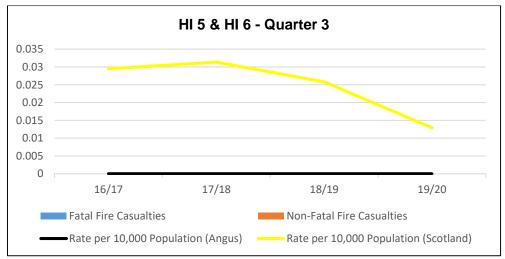


Table 4: Year to Date (April to December 2019) Performance

	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	YTD	Annual Target
HI 5: Fatal Fire Casualties	0	0	0	0	Green	0
HI 6: Non-Fatal Fire Casualties	0	0	0	0	Green	0

These headline indicators and targets cover the types of non-domestic buildings applicable to Part 3 of the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005 ('The Act') (e.g. care homes, hotels and hospitals) and is designed to reflect the effectiveness of fire safety management in respect of these types of buildings.

HI 4 - Non-Domestic Building Fires Applicable to the Act

As a headline target, the aim is to reduce the rate of accidental fires in non-domestic buildings (where The Act applies), by keeping these fires **below 16**, in Angus each year.

HI 5 – Fatal Fire Casualties in Non-Domestic Building Fires Applicable to the Act

This indicator counts those people for whom fire has been clearly identified as the cause of death, even if they die sometime after the actual fire. Those who die at, or after, the fire but where fire is **not** identified as the cause of death are not included in these figures. As a headline target, the aim is to have **Zero Fatal Fire Casualties** in non-domestic buildings applicable to the Act, in Angus each year.

HI 6 - Non-fatal Fire Casualties in Non-Domestic Building Fires Applicable to the Act

This headline target counts all types of non-fatal fire injury in non-domestic buildings, including precautionary checks. As a headline target, the aim is to have **Zero Non-Fatal Fire Casualties** in non-domestic buildings applicable to the Act, in Angus each year.

What we aim to Achieve

As well as helping to deliver Priority Two: *Improving Fire Safety and Resilience in the Business Community*, we also link this headline target to improving the following Angus LOIP outcomes:

- Safe, secure, vibrant and sustainable communities
- An inclusive and sustainable economy
- An enhanced, protected and enjoyed natural and built environment

Performance Management

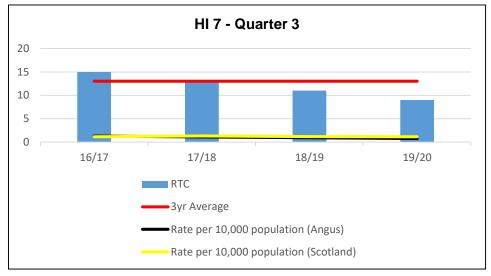
There were 6 accidental fires in non-domestic buildings during quarter three, which is above average for that quarter compared to the previous three years. On investigation, the main causes of fire were faulty equipment and overheating. All 6 were classed as low severity fires where there was minimal fire damage and firefighting intervention required. Based on our target of keeping these fires below 16 each year, we are currently showing red for achieving the HI 4 annual target within the year having reached this figure already. Looking at the year to date 16 incidents they are all different locations with no trends showing.

There were zero Non-Domestic Fatal Casualties during quarter two. Based on our target of zero Fatal Casualties for the year end, we are currently showing green for achieving the HI 5 annual target.

There were zero Non-Domestic Non-Fatal Casualties during quarter two. Based on our target of zero Non-Fatal Casualties for the year end, we are currently showing green for achieving the HI 6 annual target.

During quarter three, 34 fire safety audits were targeted at non-domestic premises, to ensure compliance with fire safety regulations. This included conducting post fire audits at the premises affected by fire during quarter three and those required by the Fire Scotland Act. We continue to engage with the business community where possible on Fire Safety related issues.

PRIORITY 3 – MINIMISING THE IMPACT OF UNINTENTIONAL HARM



HI 7 – Road Traffic Collision (RTC) Incidents

Table 5: Year to Date (April to December 2019) Performance

	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	YTD	Annual Target
HI 7: RTC Incidents	40	49	36	38	Green	56



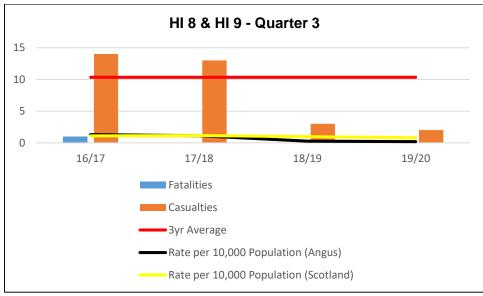


Table 6: Year to Date (April to December 2019) Performance

	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	YTD	Annual Target
HI 8: Fatal RTC Casualties	2	5	0	2	Amber	3
HI 9: Non-Fatal RTC Casualties	30	33	16	17	Green	35

The SFRS has become increasingly involved in more non-fire related prevention work, in support of its role in promoting the wider safety and well-being of its communities, including minimising the impact of unintentional harm. The headline indicators and targets reflect the fact that most of non-fire related incidents attended by the SFRS in Angus are RTC Incidents. HI 7 - RTC Incidents

As a headline target, the aim is to reduce the rate of RTC incidents, by keeping them **below 56** each year.

HI 8 – Fatal RTC Casualties

As a headline target, the aim is to reduce the risk of death from RTC's in Angus, by keeping them **below 3** each year.

HI 9 - Non-fatal RTC Casualties

As a headline target, the aim is to reduce the risk of injury from RTC's in Angus, by keeping non-fire injuries **below 35** each year.

What we aim to Achieve

As well as helping to deliver Priority Three: *Minimising the Impact of Unintentional Harm*, we also link these headline targets to improving the following Angus LOIP outcomes:

- Safe, secure, vibrant and sustainable communities
- Improved physical, mental and emotional health and well-being

Performance Management

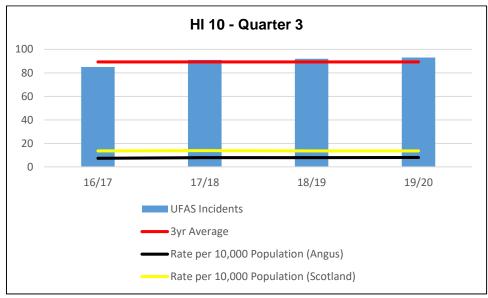
During quarter three we attended 9 RTC Incidents, to assist other blue light partners in the release/extrication of the occupants of the vehicles, which is below the three-year average for quarter three. Based on our target of keeping RTC's below 56 each year, we are still currently showing green for achieving the HI 7 annual target.

There were no Fatal RTC Casualties reported during quarter three. Based on our target of keeping Fatal RTC Casualties below 3 each year, we are currently showing amber for achieving the HI 8 annual target.

There were 2 Non-Fatal RTC Casualties during quarter 3 which is well down on the 3-year average for the time of year. They occurred in Brechin and Edzell and Carnoustie and District. Based on our target of keeping Non-Fatal RTC Casualties below 35 each year, we are still currently showing green for achieving the HI 9 annual target.

During quarter three, the annual Safe Drive Stay Alive Event took place bringing in 1061 young people from schools and colleges across Angus. Safe Drive Stay Alive is a campaign which reaches out to new and pre-drivers in an emotional and hard-hitting way, influencing behavior and attitude on the roads. It is produced and delivered to S5 pupils by SFRS, Police Scotland, SAS, Ninewells Hospital NHS Tayside A&E surgeons, Give Blood and various guest speakers who have either been involved in or lost a family member during an RTC. This year, 16 young people have been killed on Tayside Roads and 1118 have been left with life changing injuries. RTC's remain the biggest killer of 15-24-year old's in Scotland.

PRIORITY 4 – REDUCING UNWANTED FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS



HI10 – Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals

Table 7: Year to Date (April to December 2019) Performance

	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	YTD	Annual Target
HI 10: UFAS Incidents	280	316	295	299	Red	355

Automatic Fire alarms (AFA) are fundamental to providing early warning from fire, giving people the chance to evacuate safely. However, to be effective, they must be properly installed and maintained, and a good fire safety management regime must be in place by the duty holder, so they do not activate when there is no fire.

Every Unwanted Fire Alarm Signal (UFAS) from an AFA has an impact in terms of unnecessary blue light journeys, redirecting SFRS resources away from other activities such as community safety work and causing considerable disruption to businesses.

HI 10 – Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals (UFAS)

As a headline target, the aim is to improve fire safety management and awareness, by reducing the number of attendances to unwanted fire alarm signals (UFAS) from automatic systems in non-domestic buildings to **less than 355** each year.

What we aim to Achieve

As well as helping to deliver Priority Four: *Reducing Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals*, this headline target supports the SFRS's national target for reducing UFAS by 15% over the next three years.

We also link this headline target to improving the following Angus LOIP outcomes:

• An inclusive and sustainable economy

Performance Management

During quarter three, we were called out to 93 UFAS incidents, which is the 4 above the 3-year average for the quarter however based on our target of keeping UFAS incidents to less than 355 each year, we are currently showing red for achieving the HI 10 annual target.

The table below lists the top property types that had persistent call-outs due to UFAS incidents during quarter three.

Property Types	No. of UFAS
Care/Nursing/Residential Homes	21
Education (Primary/Secondary)	15
Entertainment and Culture	8
Hospitals and Medical care	6
Sports and Social Club	5
Industrial Manufacturing/Processing	5
Retail	4

Nearly half of all UFAS during quarter three, occurred across the top 3 properties in the table above. One of the priorities of SFRS is to reduce the amount of UFAS calls we receive, the FSEO engages with duty holders during the audit process to offer advice on reducing the unwanted activations including considering cost effective technical solutions (e.g.re-positioning fire detector heads and changing detector types). During quarter three we carried out UFAS engagement with Rossie House and Springfield Medical Care to proactively try and reduce the number of false alarms within these premises. We will continue to engage with the owners of such properties, to ensure agreed UFAS reduction plans are being implemented and regularly reviewed for effectiveness.

Through an assessment of risk, we reduced our weight of response to 9 premises in Angus during quarter three. This will help to reduce the unnecessary blue light journeys generated by UFAS and mitigate the impact this has on SFRS resources.

PRIORITY 5 – REDUCING DELIBERATE FIRES

HI 11 – Deliberate Primary Fires

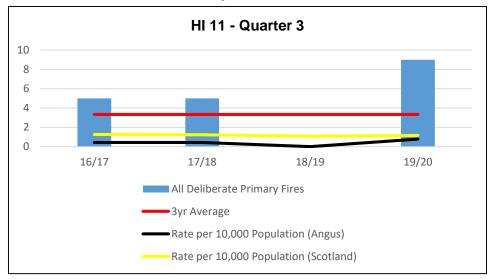


Table 8: Year to Date (April to December 2019) Performance

	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	YTD	Annual Target
HI 11: Deliberate Primary Fires	17	26	10	33	Red	23

HI 12 – Deliberate Secondary Fires

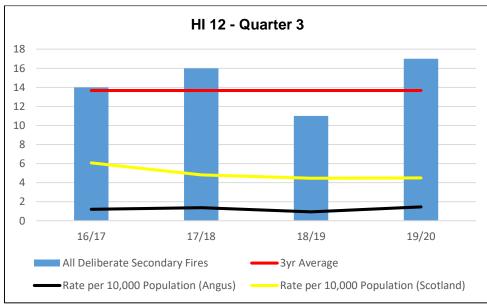


Table 9: Year to Date (April to December 2019) Performance

	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	YTD	Annual Target
HI 12: Deliberate Secondary Fires	66	100	89	74	Green	105

These headline indicators and targets account for all types of fire that are believed to have been started intentionally, and are categorised as Deliberate Primary Fires and Deliberate Secondary Fires.

HI 11 – Deliberate Primary Fires

These deliberate fires cover the following types:

- Fires in the home
- Fires in non-domestic buildings
- Fires in motor vehicles

As a headline target, the aim is to reduce the rate of deliberate primary fires in Angus by keeping these fires **below 23** each year.

HI 12 – Deliberate Secondary Fires

These deliberate fires cover the majority of outdoor fires including grassland, refuse fires and fires in derelict buildings. As a headline target, the aim is to reduce the rate of deliberate secondary fires in Angus by keeping these fires **below 105** each year.

What we aim to Achieve

As well as helping to deliver Priority Five: *Reducing Deliberate Fires*, we also link this headline target to improving the following Angus LOIP outcomes:

- Safe, secure, vibrant and sustainable communities
- An inclusive and sustainable economy
- An enhanced, protected and enjoyed natural and built environment
- Children in Angus will have the best start in life

Performance Management

There were 9 deliberate primary fires reported during quarter three, which is 6 above the quarter three average of 3. Of these, 3 involved dwellings and 3 were outdoor structures which were set alight. There are no trends associated with this as they are spread across the whole area. Based on our target of keeping the number of deliberate primary fires in Angus below 23 each year, we have already exceeded this number therefore are currently showing red for achieving the HI 11 annual target.

There were 17 deliberate secondary fires reported during quarter three, which is slightly above the average for the quarter compared to the previous three years. 8 of these were involving refuse and 3 were involving shrubs/grassland. 11 of these were in the Carnoustie & District and the Monifieth & Sidlaw area.

Based on our target of keeping the number of deliberate secondary fires in Angus below 105 each year, we are currently showing green for achieving the HI 12 annual target.

I would draw your attention to Appendix 2 which explains an initiative we carried out in quarter 3 called Angus Fire Academy which focuses on reducing anti-social behaviour in young people. Going forward we are working on the re-introduction of Safe Angus which saw all primary 5's in Angus attend an event aimed at safety and awareness of many aspects of their lives.

PRIORITY 6 – EFFECTIVE RISK MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONAL PREPAREDNESS

Description

Risk Management and operational preparedness is a key area of work for the SFRS. In Angus, this means:

- Knowing what the risks are in Angus and then making plans, so we are resilient to respond to any event.
- Being prepared to respond to national threats or major emergencies.
- Developing flexibility to deploy crews, to take on a broadening role within the community.
- Firefighters being equipped to deal with emergencies safely and effectively, and our stations being in a constant state of readiness.

What we aim to Achieve

As well as helping to deliver Priority Six: *Effective Risk Management and Operational Preparedness*, our activities also support improving the following Angus LOIP outcomes:

- Safe, secure, vibrant and sustainable communities
- An inclusive and sustainable economy
- An enhanced, protected and enjoyed natural and built environment
- Improved physical, mental and emotional health and well-being

Activity

During quarter three we delivered our quarterly training commitment to operational firefighter's, whereby we trained and tested their preparedness to deal with:

Breathing Apparatus	Collapsed Structures
Extrication	Explosives
Casualty Care	Animal Rescues
Incident Command	Building Construction

Firefighters continued to carry out Operational Intelligence visits within their station area so that they are aware of the associated risks and hazards, and if required can take effective actions in dealing with incidents at these sites. All this information is continually updated on our tablets carried on frontline appliances thus giving our staff information at point of need.

Arbroath RDS organised and held a joint RTC exercise with the SAS. This was programmed to develop and enhance working relationships and is the first in many planned training exercises to improve the knowledge of our staff. Further training is scheduled in OHCA, defibrillators, use of long boards. Close working with Angus Housing has allowed for the use of Fraser path for realistic training scenarios. This has also been utilised by surrounding stations.

The Angus Local Search and Rescue Committee which was created in May has met again to review local incidents and share partner updates in relation to training and capability and have also completed a joint exercise at the Arbroath Cliffs which tested our response and pre-planned for this type of complex scenario.

In support of the Scottish Government's cardiac arrest strategy, crews from Carnoustie Fire Station held a session at the station for new mothers to equip them with potentially life-saving skills in adult and infant CPR. These ongoing sessions are being well received by the community.

APPENDIX 1: COMMUNITY SAFETY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMMES

This section provides details of community safety engagement programmes undertaken within Angus during the Third quarter of 2019-20, in support of our priorities and targets.

Youth Engagement

- 1. Angus CAT worked in partnership with Angus Council, TCA, and Police Scotland undertaking the Fire Academy residential course held between 30th September to 2nd October
- Angus CAT worked with other partnership agencies organising the "Safe Drive Stay Alive", 2 Day Roadshow at Reid Hall, Forfar.
- 3. Angus CAT conducted a Fire skills event with 13 Young People and support staff from Criminal Justice Scotland "Tribal Home" initiative at Arbroath Fire Station,
- 4. Montrose Fire crews attended the "Safer Montrose" event held at Montrose High where they trained over 100 S1 children in CPR and life-saving skills.
- 5. Angus CAT attended the multi-agency "Safer Academy" event held at Arbroath Academy where they trained over 100 S1 children in CPR and life-saving skills.
- 6. Angus CAT supported Forfar Community Campus and other partners during their inaugural CPR training event in October.
- 7. Angus CAT worked in partnership with the 8 young people from the Stepping Stones Project Helping them improve their employability skills and confidence through fire skills related activities and CPR training at Arbroath Fire Station.
- 8. Angus Community Action Team (CAT) carried out joint initiative at Rossie Young Peoples Trust with Police Scotland's' "Divert and Deter" department discussing anti-social behaviour issues with the young people in October.
- 9. 8 Young people and workers from Rossie Young Peoples Trust visited Arbroath Fire Station where they were taught valuable fire safety advice and undertook fire skills based activities.
- 10. Angus CAT delivered a careers presentation to the P7 pupils at Inverbrothock Primary School, Arbroath as part of the schools' careers week fayre.
- 11. Angus CAT conducted various Bonfire and Firework Safety talks to school pupils throughout the Angus catchment area.
- 12. CAT and local fire crews attended the Forfar Campus Careers evening offering advice and guidance to pupils and their parents who may wish to pursue a career in the Fire Service.
- 13. Angus CAT carried out joint-partnership work at Kirriemuir Connections dementia hub with Occupational Therapy student nurses attending Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen.

Persons at Risk

- 14. Angus CAT supported Voluntary Action Angus with their October holiday club events. Promoting the advantages of having a Home Fire Safety Visits (HFSVs) to their service users.
- 15. Angus CSA carried out a Fire Safety talk with members of the Better Balance class at Forfar and Montrose Fire Stations providing Home fire safety advice and carrying out visits at their addresses.
- 16. Angus CAT gave a Fire Safety presentation and held Q and A session with the residents and staff at Kinloch Court, Carnoustie supported accommodation.

- 17. Angus CAT carried out various home fire safety visits and fitted 8 Specialist Deaf Alarms with vibrating pad to residents living in Angus
- 18. Angus LALO carried out a Joint Home Fire Safety Visit with Police Scotland for vulnerable Angus residents.
- 19. Angus CAT carried out joint housing visit at Forfar with Angus Housing Officers highlighting dangers of combustible materials stored in communal areas of flats during October
- 20. Angus CAT provided Home Fire Safety advice to staff and members of the community who attended the Well at Winter event at "The Cross" Forfar
- 21. Numerous Joint Home Fire Safety Visits ongoing with Angus CAT members and Community Mental Health Teams, Angus Council Home Care Assessors, Community Housing Teams, Deaf Links workers etc.
- 22. Angus CAT attended the Young Tenants Forum held at Arbroath College. Promoting HFSVs to young people who are moving into student or rented accommodation whilst attending college.
- 23. Angus CAT meet with Forfar and Kirriemuir's Communities Team to discuss the referral process for partner agencies who identify persons who would benefit with a HFSV.
- 24. Angus CAT attended the quarterly meeting of the Angus Overnight Support review group.
- 25. Angus CAT attended the meeting at The Angus Carers Centre, Arbroath to discuss the implantation of the Carers Emergency Card.

Referrals

- 26. Angus CSA carried out joint working with Angus Alive Mobile Library to various rural and remote Angus locations, to provide Home Fire Safety Visit promotion and Risk Recognition. Suitable advice and fire safety literature was distributed and Home Fire Safety Visits generated.
- 27. Continue to attend Early Screening Group (ESG) fortnightly meetings to identify vulnerable person who require a Home Fire Safety Visit.
- 28. On-going Home Fire Safety Visit referrals from Police Scotland, Locality District Nursing Teams, Community Mental Health Teams, Social Work teams, North East Sensory Services (NESS), Angus Care & Repair, Community Housing Teams etc.
- 29. 326 Home Fire Safety Visits completed for the period of which 120 were High Risk
- 30. Fitted 10 Detectors for hard of hearing persons identified by partner agencies and whilst crews were carrying out visit.
- 31. Identified, reported and submitted 7 Adult Protection Vulnerable persons (AP1) referrals to Angus Council Social Work.

APPENDIX 2: NOTABLE EVENT – Angus Fire Academy



A scheme that allows young people to become positive role models.

Early October saw the re-introduction of Fire Academy within Angus with SFRS, Angus Council CLD Team, Police Scotland (PS) and Tayside Council on Alcohol (TCA) working in partnership to deliver this multi-agency initiative. The scheme involved 8 young people selected from all over Angus to come and work with Firefighters to encourage, mentor and help support them in a reduction of fire setting activities and turn them into responsible citizens. It is a residential event held over 3 days at the Jock Neish centre and started with an ice breaker involving team leaders from Monikie Park putting them through their paces with some physical and

creative activities. The focus is on personal safety and the consequences of anti-social behaviour.

The programme was based around the skills needed to be a Firefighter and included sessions on hose running, dam building, moving in smoke and darkness, extinguishing fires and road traffic collision extrication techniques. A big positive outcome was the support and continued

engagement of students from previous years who returned to assist being valued members of the team.

The final passing out parade took place at Forfar Fire Station in front of proud parents and invited guests including LSO Gordon Pryde and the Leader of Angus Council David Fairweather. This gave the candidates a chance to show off their new-found skills and receive a certificate of achievement.

Thanks go to Jennifer Miller and her team at CLD, PC Dave Voight PS, Sandy at TCA, Monikie Park Rangers and the Jock Neish committee for all their help in delivering what was deemed a very successful and worthwhile 3 days.

