

QUARTERLY MONITORING REPORT

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



Quarter Three: 2021/22

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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

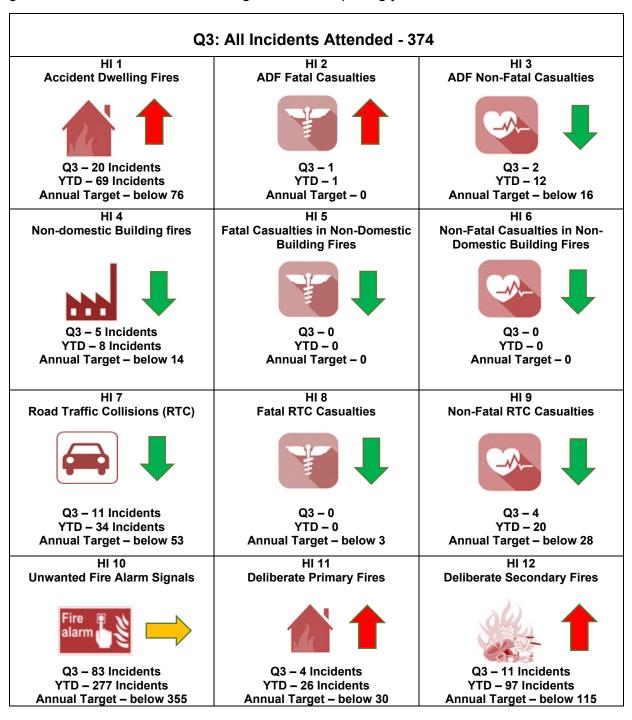
As well as supporting the six priorities in the Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Angus, this monitoring report shows how SFRS activities and performance contribute to the wider priorities of the Angus Council Community Planning Partnership (CPP), as set out in the Angus Community Plan.

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 01 December 2020, covering the subsequent 3-year period. 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 2021/22 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

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

PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS

Of the 12 headline indicators and targets, the following performance should be noted for quarter three 2021/22:

- There were **20 Accidental Dwelling Fires (ADF)** during quarter three which is slightly below the 3-year average for the quarter. The majority are classed as low severity, requiring little or no intervention from the Service and minimal fire damage.
- There was tragically 1 **ADF Fatalities** during quarter three, and **2 ADF Casualties** which is above average.
- There were 5 Non-Domestic Building Fires during quarter three which is average for the quarter. Non-domestic Fire Fatalities and Non-Fatal Fire Fatalities were zero, and therefore continue to remain very low.
- We attended 12 Road Traffic Collision's (RTCs) during quarter three which is slightly
 above average for this time of year. There were 0 RTC Related Fatalities, and 4 RTC
 Related Injuries the latter is also above the 3-year average for the time of year.
- We dealt with 83 Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals (UFAS) during quarter three which is below average based on the previous 3-year figures. We continue to work towards reducing UFAS and have reached a preferred option following our consultation.
- A total of **4 Deliberate Primary Fires** were reported during quarter three, which is below the 3-year average for the quarter. There were **11 Deliberate Secondary Fires** reported during quarter three, which is below average when compared to the last 3 years.
- Our firefighters continue to train in all aspects of their role to ensure they are
 operationally prepared for what is required and we have continued where possible to
 gather information on local risks to assist us in an emergency through our operational
 intelligence visits. We have seen a structure change within Angus with 2 new Station
 Commanders coming in therefore I would like to acknowledge the work done by Chris
 Bonnar and welcome Graeme Hay and Mark Low to the Angus team.
- Finally, quarter three has seen a large increase in partnership working and allowed
 us to provide lots of support for local initiatives some of which you can see in the
 appendices at the end of our report. The work we carried out during 'challenge poverty
 week' and which we delivered in conjunction with Rossie Secure Unit have been
 particularly successful.

PRIORITY 1 - IMPROVING FIRE SAFETY IN THE HOME

HI 1 - Accidental Dwelling Fires (ADF)

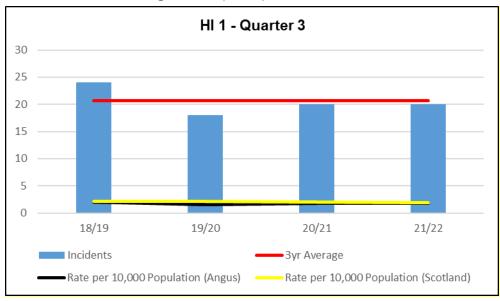


Table 1: 2021/22 Year Performance

	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	YTD	Annual
						Target
HI 1: ADF's	59	54	57	69	Red	76

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

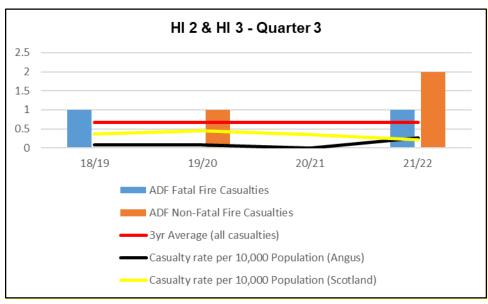


Table 2: 2021/22 Year Performance

	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	YTD	Annual Target
HI 2: ADF Fatal Casualties	2	0	0	1	Red	0
HI 3: ADF Non-Fatal Casualties	8	3	15	12	Green	16

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 76**, 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 17**, 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 20 ADFs during quarter three which is slightly down on the previous 3 years for that quarter. The majority of these are attributed to cooking or combustibles near a heat source with the majority occurring in the Montrose and Arbroath area. Half were caused by impairment through drugs or alcohol and an occupier falling asleep. The majority of our ADFs caused very little or no fire damage and it was limited to the room of origin. Based on our target of keeping ADF's below 76 each year, we are showing red for the HI 1 annual target.

There was tragically 1 ADF Fatal Casualties during quarter three in South Street, Forfar where a young female was rescued from the building but succumbed to her injuries. We show red for achieving the HI 2 indicator. There were 2 ADF Non-Fatal Casualties, who were male and both received precautionary checks at hospital. Based on our target of keeping fire casualties below 17 each year, we are showing green for the HI 3 annual target.

In support of the targets, Appendix One & Two, details a range of our activities during quarter three which included high-risk Home Fire Safety Visits (HFSV's) and numerous referrals from partners where risk had been identified. We also continue to attend multi agency case referrals for vulnerable members of the community. We have partnered with the rural library to ensure we are engaging with those who live out with the urban areas and have also done some good work around safety of migrant workers. Virtual Safe Taysiders is also now complete and programmed for delivery in May 2022 to all schools.

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

HI 4 - Non-Domestic Building Fires

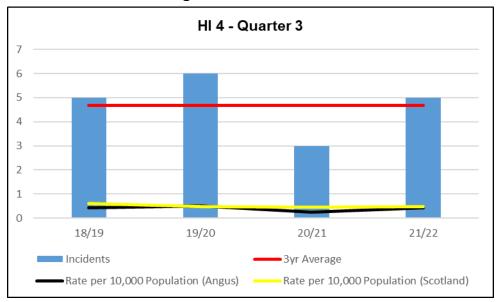


Table 3: 2021/22 Year Performance

	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	YTD	Annual Target
HI 4: Non-Domestic Building Fires	13	16	6	8	Green	14

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

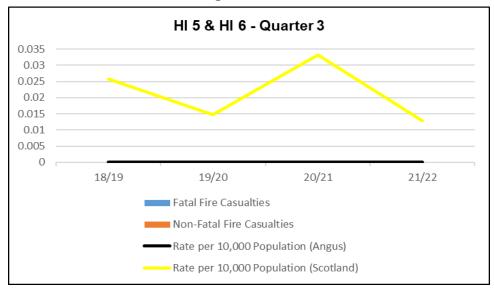


Table 4: 2021/22 Year Performance

	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	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 15**, 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 5 accidental fires in non-domestic buildings during quarter three, which is average for that quarter compared to the previous three years. With an annual target of 14 we are showing green and below the target for HI 4. The numbers involved in Angus are low for this type of incident and currently no cause for concern. Most were low severity with 1 at Ladywell Sawmill seeing more substantial damage.

There were zero Non-Domestic Fatal Casualties and zero Non-Domestic Non-Fatal Casualties during guarter three. Based on our targets we are showing green and for HIs 5 and 6.

During quarter three, there were 32 fire safety audits carried out of which 4 were post fire. A further 3 of these were generated following a complaint and the remainder were framework audits. 2 were sleeping risks and the other 23 were care homes. Our Fire Safety Officers reengaged the remote audit procedures in December which may have an impact on our end of year figures. We continue to engage with the business community where possible on Fire Safety related issues. There was no enforcement activity in quarter three or enforcement notices issued.

PRIORITY 3 – MINIMISING THE IMPACT OF UNINTENTIONAL HARM

HI 7 - Road Traffic Collision (RTC) Incidents

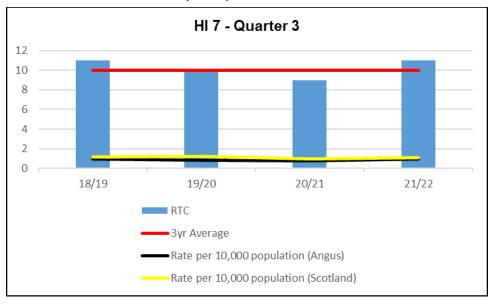


Table 5: 2021/22 Year Performance

	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	YTD	Annual Target
HI 7: RTC Incidents	36	39	34	34	Green	53

HI 8 - Fatal RTC Casualties & HI 9 - Non-Fatal RTC Casualties

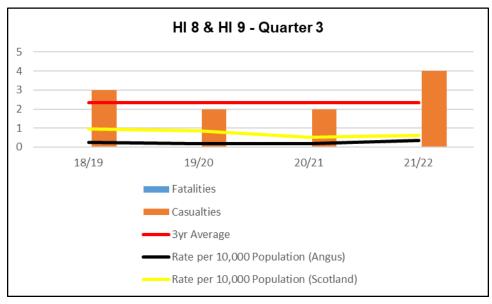


Table 6: 2021/22 Year Performance

	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	YTD	Annual Target
HI 8: Fatal RTC Casualties	0	2	2	0	Green	3
HI 9: Non-Fatal RTC Casualties	16	18	13	20	Green	28

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 55** 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 30** 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 12 RTC Incidents, to assist other blue light partners in the release/extrication of the occupants of the vehicles, which is above average for the quarter. The majority of these were around Forfar, Brechin, Carnoustie and Arbroath. Based on our target of keeping RTC's below 53 each year, we are showing green for the HI 7 annual target.

There were 0 Fatal RTC Casualties reported during quarter three therefore we are on target for HI 8 with 4 Non-Fatal RTC Casualties being slightly above the average for the time of year. All of the casualties' injuries were deemed to be minor consisting mostly of cuts and bruises and based on our target of keeping Non-Fatal RTC Casualties below 28 each year, we show green for the HI 9 annual target.

We continue to aim to drive down these types of incidents by engaging in partnership approaches and safety forums. Safe Drive will again be suspended this year however Tayside Road Safety Forum are currently looking at a new road safety education strategy for 2021/22 and our local area liaison officers WC Cammy Sands has visited Leicestershire Fire & Rescue Service to look at how they utilise their virtual reality equipment to promote safe driving. This is in the preliminary stages.

Of our other 80 special services, over half were affecting entry or release of persons whereby there was concern for the occupier of a premise and a partner agency required our assistance. We continue to see an increase in these types of incidents along with assisting other agencies to lift or remove casualties. The others were made up of acting as a first responder, flooding, rescues from lifts, hazardous materials, animal rescues and suicide attempts.

PRIORITY 4 – REDUCING UNWANTED FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS

HI10 - Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals

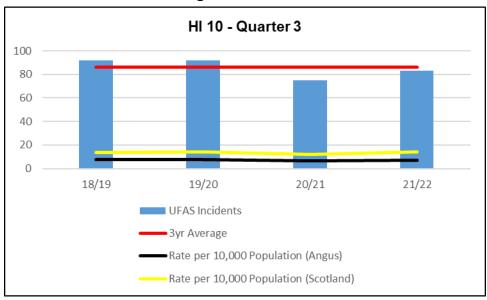


Table 7: 2021/22 Year Performance

	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	YTD	Annual Target
HI 10: UFAS Incidents	296	299	209	277	Amber	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 83 UFAS incidents, which is slightly below the 3-year average for the quarter. We are showing amber for the HI 10 annual target.

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

Property Types	No. of UFAS
Care/Nursing/Residential Homes	22
Education (Primary/Secondary)	21
Industrial Manufacturing/Processing	13
Entertainment	7
Office/Retail	6
Hospital/Medical	4

During quarter three we have continued our engagement with these premises and made recommendations to reduce occurrence. The remainder not in the table are made up of other public buildings and secure units. One of the priorities of SFRS is to reduce the amount of UFAS calls we attend. The Fire Safety Enforcement Officer (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). 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. The preferred option from our Time for Change: Reducing Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals Consultation has now been confirmed. This is based around call challenging in non-domestic premises and if no fire is confirmed then we will not respond. Hospitals and sleeping risks are exempt from this. This will be implemented from April 2023 and is estimated to see a 57% reduction in our UFAS activity resulting in opportunities to reinvest our capacity into areas which will deliver greater value such as upskilling, training and more preventative work.

PRIORITY 5 - REDUCING DELIBERATE FIRES

HI 11 - Deliberate Primary Fires

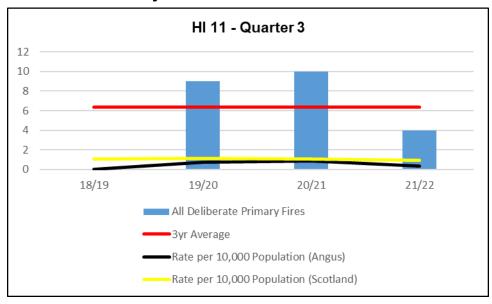


Table 8: 2021/22 Year Performance

	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	YTD	Annual Target
HI 11: Deliberate Primary Fires	10	33	34	26	Red	30

HI 12 - Deliberate Secondary Fires

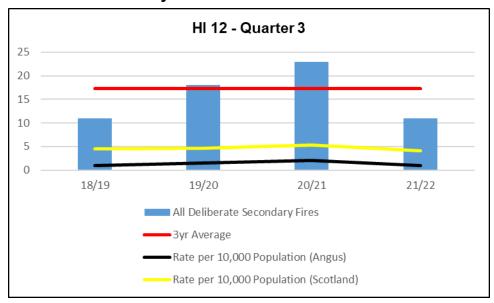


Table 9: 2021/22 Year Performance

	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	YTD	Annual Target
HI 12: Deliberate Secondary Fires	89	75	108	97	Red	115

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 28** 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 110** 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 4 deliberate primary fires reported during quarter three, which is below the 3-year average. 2 of these were vehicle fires with 1 in Forfar Community Campus and the other at Rossie Secure Unit. Based on our target of keeping the number of deliberate primary fires in Angus below 30 each year, we are showing red for the HI 11 annual target.

There were 11 deliberate secondary fires reported during quarter three, which is below average for the quarter compared to the previous three years. They were all outdoors made up of scrub and wheelie bin fires and predominantly in the Arbroath and Brechin areas. We are doing a lot of work with partners to reduce deliberate fire setting and anti-social behaviour and we delivered a full set of bonfire related materials to all headteachers during the quarter to deliver to pupils. We also sent business letters to owner/occupiers regarding the build-up of combustibles and handed leaflets out to anyone purchasing fireworks. We welcomed our first group of young firefighters through Arbroath Fire Station as part of the Prince's Trust since the start of the pandemic which was a great success and we also led on a great initiative at Rossie which you can read about in Appendix 2. We continue with our Man-Down project at Montrose which sees those in the justice system come along for some job interview practice, life skills around managing a home and team building exercises.

Based on our target of keeping the number of deliberate secondary fires in Angus below 115 each year, we are showing red for HI 12 annual target.

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:

Extrication	Breathing Apparatus
Casualty Care	Terrorism and Explosives
Animals	Sewers and Underground Structures

We carried out a large scale exercise at Glamis Castle with their staff involving a fire, rescues and subsequent salvage work on the many valuable artefacts and we also conducted a multiagency exercise at Crudie Farm, near Arbroath which involved casualties becoming trapped within farm machinery. We also did some joint exercising with SAS partners involving RTC at Brechin.



Firefighters continue to carry out Operational Intelligence 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. We continue to promote the service and at present across Angus we are nearly at full establishment at all our stations which is encouraging.

APPENDIX 1: COMMUNITY SAFETY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMMES

This section provides details of community safety engagement programmes undertaken within Angus during the third quarter of 2021-22, in support of our priorities and targets.

Fire Safety Engagements

- 1. Bonfire and Fireworks safety leaflets distributed to local businesses within Angus to pass on with all sales of fireworks.
- 2. Local Area Liaison Officer (LALO) conducted fire safety talks at Monifieth Medical Centre and Montrose Better Balance Group.
- 3. Lalo conducted 3 fire safety talks to Kinship Carers Angus virtually over Teams.
- 4. Lalo has finalised video and presentation with Protecting People Angus (PPA) on hoarding and self-neglect.
- 5. LALO & Community Safety Advocate (CSA) continue to attend partnership meetings with PPA, Angus Violence Against Woman Partnership (AVAWP), Learning and Development (L&D) subgroup and Angus Mental Health & Wellbeing Network (AMHAWN).
- 6. The Community Action Team are dealing with 15-20 weekly enquiries regarding the new smoke detector regulations.
- 7. 9 Post Domestic Incident Response (PDIR) engagements carried out in Angus during this period.

Persons at Risk

- 1. Angus Community Action Team (CAT) fitted 24 Hard of Hearing smoke alarms to vulnerable residents.
- 2. Issued 1 fire-retardant bedding to a resident who smokes in bed along with fire retardant throws and matts for other vulnerable residents.
- 3. Angus Stations have fitted 280 linked smoke alarms and 98 linked heat detectors to Angus properties as per the new Scottish Government Fire Alarm legislation due to come into force in February 2022. 9 CO2 alarms have also been fitted.
- 4. Numerous Joint Home Fire Safety Visits ongoing and will be arranged when restrictions are relaxed with Angus CAT members and Community Mental Health Teams, Angus Council Home Care Assessors, Community Housing Teams, Deaf Links workers etc.
- 5. Some Joint High-Risk Visits (following strict Covid protocols) completed due to concerns for occupier's wellbeing and several partnership visits in this last quarter working with AIDARS, Police Scotland and Angus Housing Community Mental Health Teams.
- 6. 296 HFSV's have been carried out by Angus stations and CAT teams over the quarter.

Referrals

- 1. Continue to attend Early Screening Group (ESG) weekly meetings to identify vulnerable persons who require a Home Fire Safety Visit.
- 2. MARAC reports sent at the beginning of each month with information we hold on each referral.
- 3. On-going Home Fire Safety Visit referrals from Police Scotland, Locality District Nursing Teams, Community Mental Health Teams, Social Work teams, Northeast Sensory Services (NESS), Community Housing Teams.
- 4. 12 Adult Protection (AP1) referral forms were submitted to Angus Council Social Work over the period.
- 5. Angus LALO and CSA attended 10 virtual multi agency Case Conferences involving persons identified as vulnerable and at risk.
- 6. CSA attended 3 virtual multi agency Initial Referral Discussions involving persons identified as vulnerable and at risk.
- 7. Angus LALO fitted 3 letter guards at vulnerable person/persons at risk.

APPENDIX 2: NOTABLE EVENTS

Rossie Young Peoples Trust - Young Fire Fighters

Angus CAT delivered a 6-day course to 8 young adults at the start of December 2021 where the team successfully delivered 6 modules over a 2week period teaching students in hose drills, pumps, pitching ladders, ladder climbing and then onto RTC casualty extrication and removal. This included a full basic understanding of vehicle stabilisation and glass management within a road traffic collision scenario. We also delivered a basic CPR and life support module. In week 2 the team taught the students how to methodically search a smoke-filled environment/building culminating in a final live exercise where the students put into practice all they had learned from the previous modules and successfully extinguished a fire and rescued persons from within the building.



SFRS Angus heavily invested in getting this project off the ground and ensuring that this was a success whilst developing a future partnership program with the Rossie Trust.

Funding application Grant

A partnership grant has been applied for jointly by Rossie and SFRS from CashBack for Communities which offers funding to projects with proposals to engage and support with young people who;

- are most at risk of being involved in antisocial behaviour, offending or re-offending into positive destinations.
- are most at risk of entering the justice system.

If successful, this funding will be used to redevelop an existing building into a community risk academy and smoke and darkness training facility along with a number of additional risk type modules.



Safe Angus (Virtual delivery)

Initial modules and project now live and partnerships have delivered their modules for delivery which will now be passed to a pilot school and group for feedback before the go live date which is still on schedule for May 2022.

Challenge poverty week

Again, SFRS Angus participated in this event with crews from Carnoustie, Arbroath and Kirriemuir delivering a positive message to their communities within Angus linking in with the ACPP strategic objective of reducing child poverty. Over 2 days, Arbroath had over 120 people attend the station where food parcels donated by Morrisons were handed out. Over 6 days at Kirriemuir over 96 attended the station with a total of 64 lunch packs given out. They worked in partnership with Kirriemuir Food Hub with donations from Viv's Kitchen & Co-Op for food and refreshments.







Once again Carnoustie didn't disappoint with around 300 people visiting over 6 days and handing out 150 breakfast packs and 10 warm jackets. The left-over warm clothing went to homeless charities, Togs for tots and Home start Angus. The staff at Carnoustie Golf Links and the Rookery generously donated bags of groceries that was used for our free breakfast bags and to stock the community cabinet.

Christmas toy appeal

SFRS Angus continued their community work over the festive period wishing communities a Merry Christmas with door step visits to spread festive cheer, helping tackle loneliness and poverty by delivering goodies around the Angus area. Lots of presents were dropped off at Communities Teams Supporting Arbroath, Carnoustie, Kirriemuir, Monifieth, Burnside Primary School and several care homes. This appeal was based around everyone reaching out to each other and checking on the safety of their neighbours, friends and families. A phone call, or a socially distanced door-step chat can make a massive difference. Crews went out on Christmas Day visiting people within our community and delivering gifts.



Young Fire Fighters Arbroath

Angus Cat ran a young fire fighter course with Arbroath Academy young princes trust group over 5 Tuesdays from Oct-Nov 2021, where the students got an understanding of a firefighter's role within the communities in which they live. They gained skills in firefighting fire, moving in smoke and darkness along with basic first aid, CPR and defib training. During the period SFRS Angus engaged with a group of 8 students.







Bonfire safety message to Angus Schools

Due to the continued uncertainty around Covid and physical engagement within schools we delivered our safety message in a virtual format to all Angus schools on the 18th of October, via school's coordinators. This included a letter to parents, u-tube link to video, and an SFRS presentation and the offer of a physical visit from us to deliver.

YouTube snippet of video - Operation Moonbeam - Fireworks Campaign

Allowing for a full 100% engagement with both primary and secondary schools.

White Ribbon and 16 days of action

Crews within and SFRS Angus got involved in the events and engaged in some social media posts over the period to promote the campaign. Along with Local Liaison officers being involved in the recent video release on gender violence.



