



## QUARTERLY MONITORING REPORT

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



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## **INTRODUCTION**

This is the quarter two 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 2022/23 quarter two 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.

Q2: All Incidents Attended - 501		
<p><b>HI 1</b> Accident Dwelling Fires</p>  <p>Q2 – 18 Incidents YTD – 35 Incidents Annual Target – below 78</p>	<p><b>HI 2</b> ADF Fatal Casualties</p>  <p>Q2 – 0 YTD – 0 Annual Target – 0</p>	<p><b>HI 3</b> ADF Non-Fatal Casualties</p>  <p>Q2 – 0 YTD – 1 Annual Target – below 15</p>
<p><b>HI 4</b> Non-domestic Building fires</p>  <p>Q2 – 3 Incidents YTD – 5 Incidents Annual Target – below 13</p>	<p><b>HI 5</b> Fatal Casualties in Non-Domestic Building Fires</p>  <p>Q2 – 0 YTD – 0 Annual Target – 0</p>	<p><b>HI 6</b> Non-Fatal Casualties in Non-Domestic Building Fires</p>  <p>Q2 – 0 YTD – 0 Annual Target – 0</p>
<p><b>HI 7</b> Road Traffic Collisions (RTC)</p>  <p>Q2 – 13 Incidents YTD – 19 Incidents Annual Target – below 53</p>	<p><b>HI 8</b> Fatal RTC Casualties</p>  <p>Q2 – 0 YTD – 0 Annual Target – below 3</p>	<p><b>HI 9</b> Non-Fatal RTC Casualties</p>  <p>Q2 – 5 YTD – 13 Annual Target – below 26</p>
<p><b>HI 10</b> Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals</p>  <p>Q2 – 116 Incidents YTD – 225 Incidents Annual Target – below 355</p>	<p><b>HI 11</b> Deliberate Primary Fires</p>  <p>Q2 – 25 Incidents YTD – 33 Incidents Annual Target – below 34</p>	<p><b>HI 12</b> Deliberate Secondary Fires</p>  <p>Q2 – 38 Incidents YTD – 72 Incidents Annual Target – below 116</p>

### YTD Performance, Based on Annual Target

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

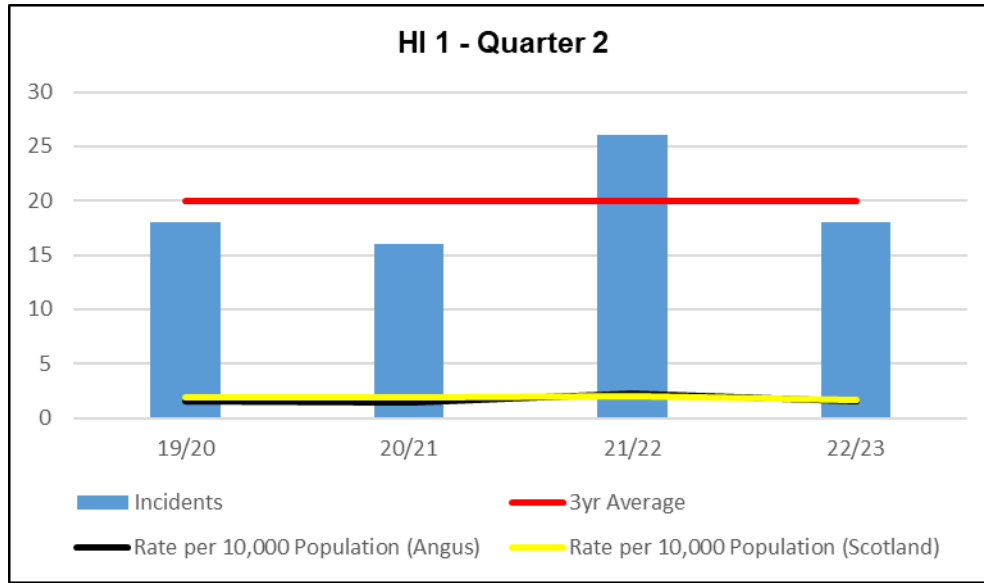
## PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS

Of the 12 headline indicators and targets, the following performance should be noted for quarter two 2022/23:

- There were **18 Accidental Dwelling Fires (ADF)** during quarter two which is 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. 12 had an alarm system present which operated.
- There were **0 ADF Fatalities**, and **0 ADF Casualties** during quarter two which is below average.
- There were **3 Non-Domestic Building Fires** during quarter two which is below average for the quarter. **Non-domestic Fire Fatalities and Non-Fatal Fire Fatalities** were zero, and therefore continue to remain very low.
- We attended **13 Road Traffic Collision's (RTCs)** during quarter two which is below average for this time of year. There was **0 RTC Related Fatalities, and 5 RTC Related Injuries** – the latter less than half the 3-year average for the time of year.
- We dealt with **116 Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals (UFAS)** during quarter two which is above average based on the previous 3-year figures. We continue to work towards reducing UFAS and consult with stakeholders on ways to achieve this.
- A total of **25 Deliberate Primary Fires** were reported during quarter two, which is more than twice the 3-year average for the quarter. There were **38 Deliberate Secondary Fires** reported during quarter two, which again, is quite a well above 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.
- Finally, quarter two has seen a big uplift in our face to face engagement in communities and helping those most vulnerable. We have seen a large increase in partnership working and provided lots of support for local initiatives some of which you can see in the appendices at the end of our report.

## PRIORITY 1 - IMPROVING FIRE SAFETY IN THE HOME

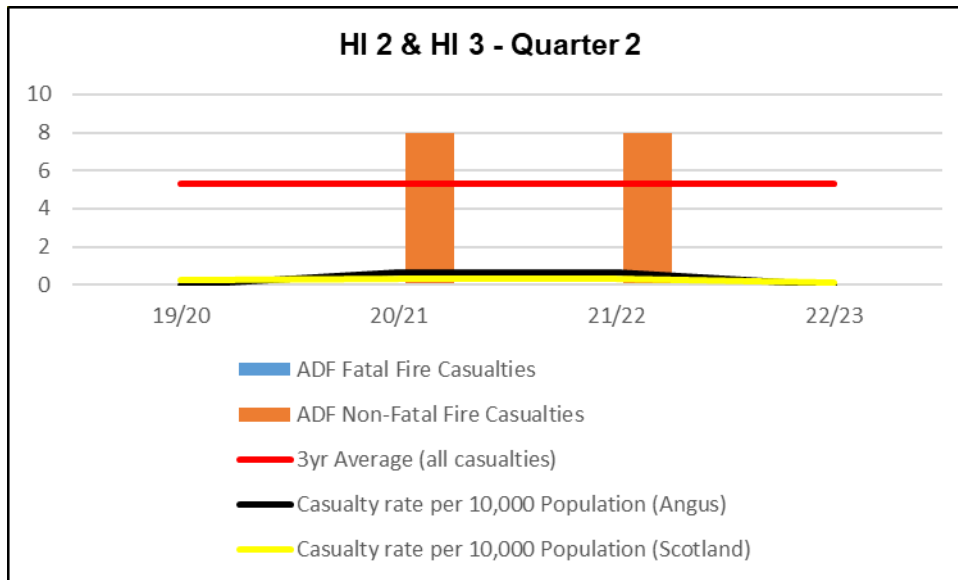
### HI 1 – Accidental Dwelling Fires (ADF)



**Table 1: 2022/23 Year Performance**

	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	YTD	Annual Target
<b>HI 1: ADF's</b>	36	37	49	35	Green	78

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



**Table 2: 2022/23 Year Performance**

	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	YTD	Annual Target
<b>HI 2: ADF Fatal Casualties</b>	0	0	0	0	Green	0
<b>HI 3: ADF Non-Fatal Casualties</b>	2	15	10	1	Green	15



### **Indicator Description**

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 the changing demographics of the Angus population, by keeping these fires **below 78**, 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 15**, 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**

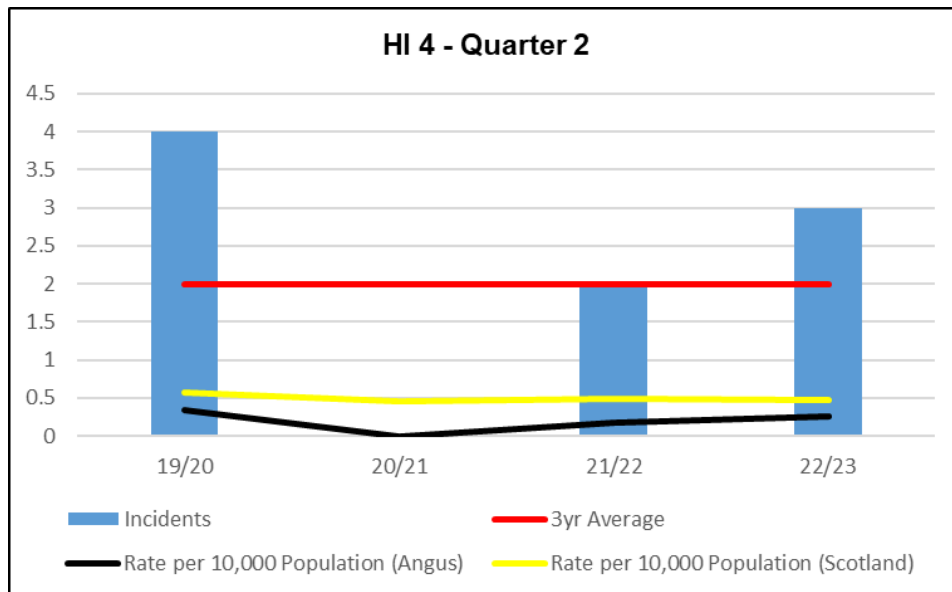
There were 18 ADFs during quarter two which is below the average of the previous 3 years for that quarter. The majority of these are attributed to cooking or combustibles near a heat source with a third involving adults or elderly persons. Very few were caused by impairment through drugs or alcohol. The majority of our ADFs caused very little or no fire damage and it was limited to the room of origin. Of the 18, 12 had an alarm system present and it operated and raised the alarm. 10 of the 18 were in Arbroath but there are no trends identified. Based on our target of keeping ADF's below 78 each year, we are showing green for the HI 1 annual target.

There were zero ADF Fatal Casualties during quarter two, and therefore we show green for achieving the HI 2 and there were also zero ADF Non-Fatal Casualties, which is good to see. Based on our target of keeping fire casualties below 15 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 two which included high-risk Home Fire Safety Visits (HFSV's) and numerous referrals from partners where risk had been identified. You will also notice some of the good courses we are running again such as safe Angus and Fire skills.

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

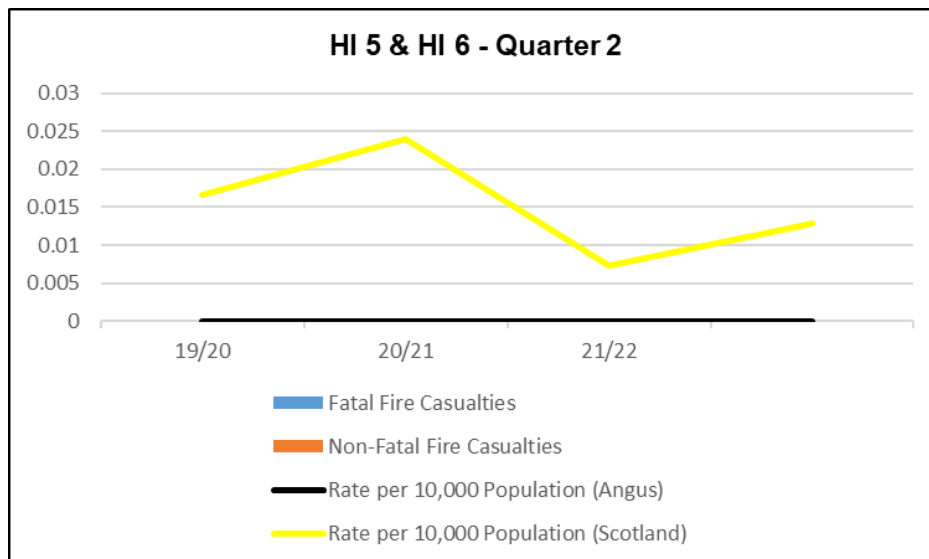
### HI 4 – Non-Domestic Building Fires



**Table 3: 2022/23 Year Performance**

	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	YTD	Annual Target
<b>HI 4: Non-Domestic Building Fires</b>	10	3	3	5	Green	13

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



**Table 4: 2022/23 Year Performance**

	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	YTD	Annual Target
<b>HI 5: Fatal Fire Casualties</b>	0	0	0	0	Green	0
<b>HI 6: Non-Fatal Fire Casualties</b>	0	0	0	0	Green	0

### **Indicator Description**

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 13**, 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**

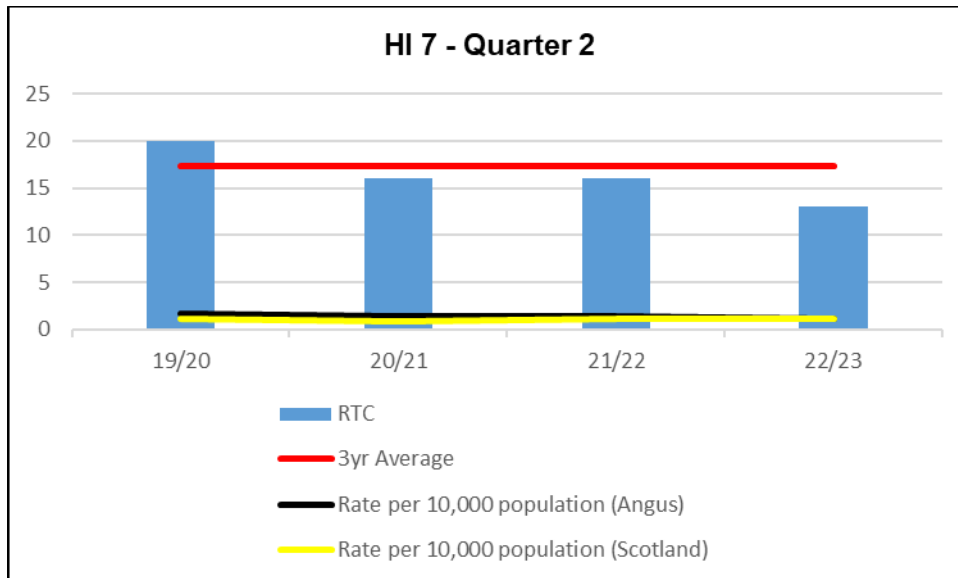
There were 3 accidental fires in non-domestic buildings during quarter two, which is below average for that quarter compared to the previous three years. With an annual target of 13 we are showing green and below the target for HI 4. The numbers involved in Angus are low for this type of incident and currently no cause for concern. The 3 incidents were low severity. 1 was smoking related and the other 2 electrical faults.

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

During quarter two, there were 25 fire safety audits carried out of which 2 were post fire at Barry's Autos in Carnoustie and Specsavers in Arbroath. 16 of these were framework audits which we are legislated to carry out with 10 care homes, 2 high risk sleeping premises and 2 houses of multiple occupation. 3 were thematic in line with our agreement to conduct audits of all Angus schools over a 3-year period. We continue to engage with the business community where possible on Fire Safety related issues. There was no enforcement activity in quarter two or enforcement notices issued.

## PRIORITY 3 – MINIMISING THE IMPACT OF UNINTENTIONAL HARM

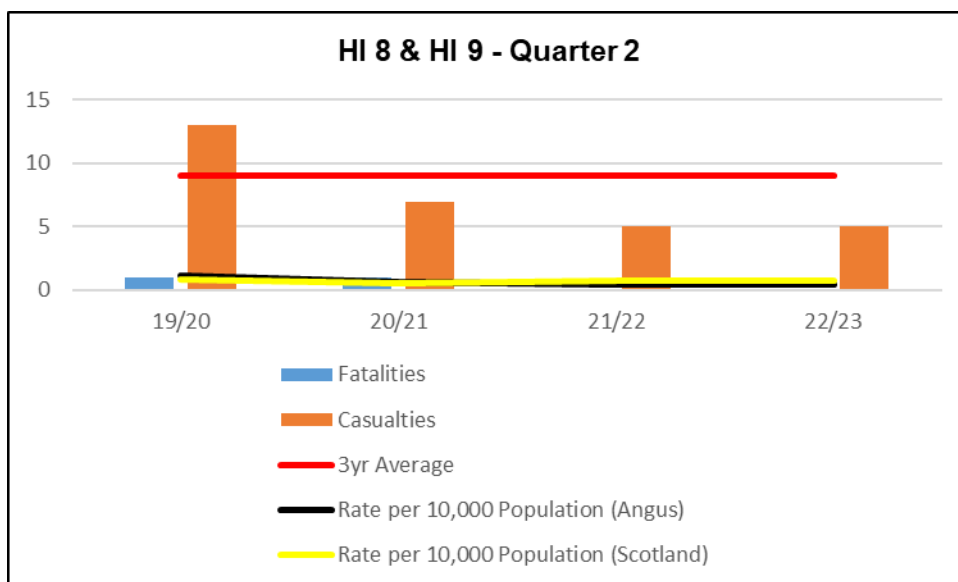
### HI 7 – Road Traffic Collision (RTC) Incidents



**Table 5: 2022/23 Year Performance**

	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	YTD	Annual Target
<b>HI 7: RTC Incidents</b>	29	25	23	19	Green	53

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



**Table 6: 2022/23 Year Performance**

	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	YTD	Annual Target
<b>HI 8: Fatal RTC Casualties</b>	2	2	0	0	Green	3
<b>HI 9: Non-Fatal RTC Casualties</b>	16	11	16	13	Amber	26

### **Indicator Description**

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 53** 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 26** 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 two we attended 13 RTC Incidents, to assist other blue light partners in the release/extrication of the occupants of the vehicles, which is below average for the quarter. These were spread across the County. 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 two therefore we are on target for HI 8.

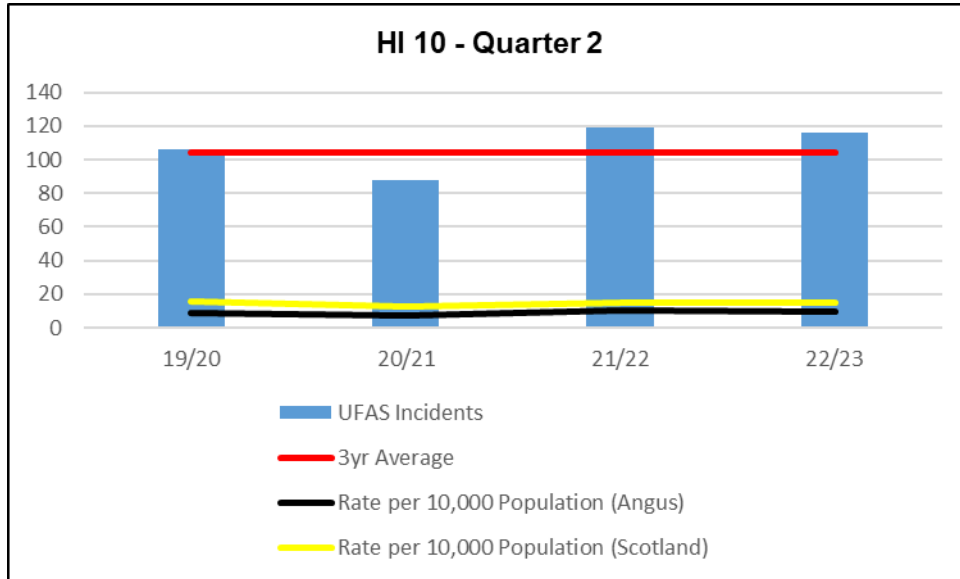
There were 5 Non-Fatal RTC Casualties during quarter two which is less than half the 3-year average for the time of year. 3 of the casualties' injuries were deemed to be minor consisting mostly of cuts and bruises with 2 more serious and 2 were younger drivers. Based on our target of keeping Non-Fatal RTC Casualties below 28 each year, we show amber 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. For 2022-23 we will be supporting the Police led 'New Driver Scheme' aimed at those over 16 which will be delivered at schools and colleges. It consists of an interactive video with Q&A throughout, building in scenarios and hazards as it progresses.

Of our other 60 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 and animal rescues.

## PRIORITY 4 – REDUCING UNWANTED FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS

### HI10 – Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals



**Table 7: 2022/23 Year Performance**

	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	YTD	Annual Target
<b>HI 10: UFAS Incidents</b>	207	134	194	<b>225</b>	<b>Red</b>	<b>355</b>

### Indicator Description

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 two, we were called out to 116 UFAS incidents, which is above the 3-year average for the quarter. We are showing red for the HI 10 annual target. It is disappointing to see this figure rise as we come out of lockdown indicating the figures were previously low due to premises not being occupied as much.

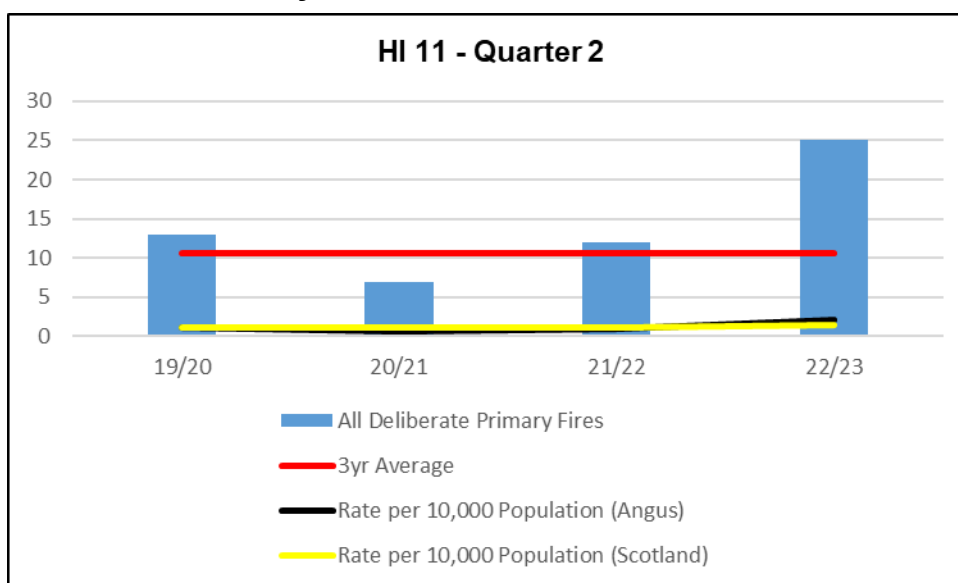
The table below lists the top property types that had persistent call-outs due to UFAS incidents during quarter four.

Property Types	No. of UFAS
Care/Nursing/Residential Homes	30
Education (Primary/Secondary)	24
Office/Retail	12
Industrial Manufacturing/Processing	10
Hospital/Medical	9

During quarter two 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. Our officers are currently carrying out thematic audits at all Angus schools over a 3-year period having identified that this is where large numbers can be avoided.

## PRIORITY 5 – REDUCING DELIBERATE FIRES

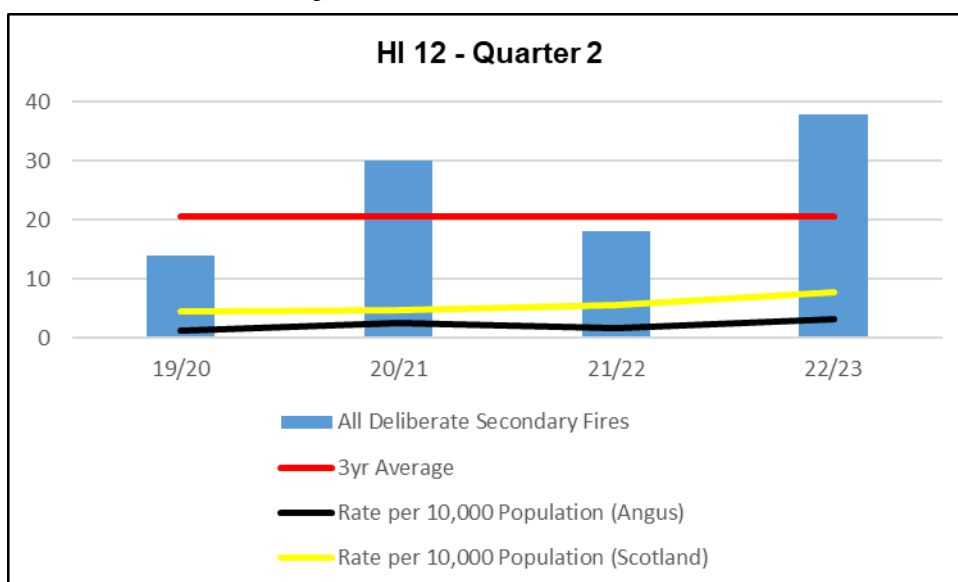
### HI 11 – Deliberate Primary Fires



**Table 8: 2022/23 Year Performance**

	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	YTD	Annual Target
<b>HI 11: Deliberate Primary Fires</b>	24	24	22	<b>33</b>	<b>Red</b>	<b>34</b>

### HI 12 – Deliberate Secondary Fires



**Table 9: 2022/23 Year Performance**

	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	YTD	Annual Target
<b>HI 12: Deliberate Secondary Fires</b>	57	55	86	<b>72</b>	<b>Red</b>	<b>116</b>



### **Indicator Description**

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 34** 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 116** 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 25 deliberate primary fires reported during quarter two, which is well above the 3-year average. These were mostly around Monifieth, Montrose and Forfar and most were outdoors in grassland and 7 were in Rossie secure unit. Based on our target of keeping the number of deliberate primary fires in Angus below 34 each year, we are showing red for the HI 11 annual target.

There were 33 deliberate secondary fires reported during quarter two, which is well above average for the quarter compared to the previous three years. They were made up of scrub and wheelie bin fires and predominantly in Carnoustie, Monifieth and Forfar areas. We continue to work through our thematic action plan around youth engagement in these areas and have the wardens in DCC assisting around the border areas. We have managed to get some materials into schools to utilise and our colleagues in Police Scotland are running an operation involving their community teams in the Monifieth and Forfar areas carrying out high visibility patrols. Our operational control teams are informing Police any time we are mobilised to these areas. Other work we are carrying out to reduce these are leaflet drops and engagement with environmental services to clear areas of rubbish build up. We are doing more face to face engagement with youth groups to assist in the reduction of deliberate fire setting and anti-social behaviour and you can see more of this in appendix 2.

Based on our target of keeping the number of deliberate secondary fires in Angus below 116 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 two we delivered our quarterly training commitment to operational firefighter's, whereby we trained and tested their preparedness to deal with:

Breathing Apparatus / Fire Behaviour	Road Traffic Collisions
Knots and Lines, Ladders & Fire Pumps	Casualty Care
Building Construction	Water Awareness

We have started to arrange joint training again with partners and some larger scale training exercises to ensure our preparedness to respond to emergencies. A national CBRN exercise was recently conducted with partners involving some local staff.

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 have had a drone operator added to our Community Asset Register which has been utilised at a couple of training exercises to assist with debriefs.

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 second quarter of 2022-23, in support of our priorities and targets.

### **Community Safety Engagement**

1. SFRS Angus Community Action Team (CAT) and Stations are fully delivering HFSV's in person.
2. Local Area Liaison Officer (LALO) & Community Safety Advocates (CSA) continue to attend partnership meetings with Protecting People in Angus (PPA), Angus Violence Against Woman Partnership (AVAWP), Learning and Development (L & D) subgroup and Angus Mental Health & Wellbeing Network (AMHAWN).

### **Persons at Risk**

1. Angus CAT and Stations fitted 10 Hard of Hearing smoke alarms to vulnerable residents.
2. Issued 2 fire-retardant bedding sets to Adults at risk. Also 6 full bedding packs (duvet, pillows, and bedding) issued.
3. Issued 3 fire-retardant throws.
4. 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.
5. Some Joint High-Risk Visits (following strict Covid protocols) completed due to concerns for occupier's wellbeing. Several High-profile partnership visits in this last quarter working with ADARS, Police Scotland, Angus Housing and Community Mental Health Teams.
6. 197 HFSV's have been carried out by Angus stations and 59 HFSV's carried out by Angus CAT.
7. LALO and CSA's working closely with Angus Adult Protection in providing several presentations for a partnership approach to Hoarding and Self- neglect to members of the PPA Learning & Development Framework.

### **Referrals**

1. Continue to attend Early Screening Group (ESG) weekly meetings to identify vulnerable person who require a Home Fire Safety Visit.
2. Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (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) and Community Housing Teams etc.
4. 25 Adult Protection (AP1) referral forms were submitted to Angus Council Social Work over the period.
5. Angus LALO and CSA's attended 8 virtual multi agency Case Conferences involving persons identified as vulnerable and at risk.
6. Angus LALO and CSA's attended 6 virtual multi agency Initial Referral Discussion involving persons identified as vulnerable and at risk.
7. Angus LALO fitted 1 letter guard at vulnerable person property.
8. Angus CAT fitted 1 Sash Jammers to letter boxes at vulnerable residents' properties.

## **APPENDIX 2: NOTABLE EVENTS**

### **Work Placement (Fire Skills)**



Fire-Skills was run by Watch Commander Gary Wood, working with Annemarie Smith from Developing Young Workforce (Team Lead). 8 students from Forfar Academy took part in a weeklong project which consisted of ladder and pump drills culminating in a combined drill on the final day in front of parents and guardians.

Over the week the students were shown by SFRS employees (PKAD CAT) the correct procedure for doing each of the drills and how to do these safely with all the correct commands. Then on the final day they would put all that they have learnt over the week into one final drill. Students also learnt the value of teamwork and how working as a group can lead to tasks being done efficiently and safely.

Each student will submit an application form for a week's work placement with the Angus CAT. There are 3 placements on offer and each student will have an interview with the successful candidates having a week with the team later this year

### **Safe Angus**

The first of the Safe Angus initiatives was held at Montrose Academy on 28<sup>th</sup> September attended by various services including Police, Coast Guard, Trading standards, Tayside Council on Alcohol (TCA), Royal Highland Educational Trust and SFRS.

S1 pupils attended for input which started off with an introduction and input from the Police Operational Support Unit regarding the drug dogs. One of the dogs was brought in to do a demonstration of the process the dogs do when searching for drugs within a room. CSA Kenny Petrie and Firefighter Aaron Nichol (Montrose) delivered CPR training to the students



throughout the day and they were also shown a DVD by the British Heart Foundation which went through correct procedure for doing compressions and rescue breaths. Students then had the opportunity to try compressions on manikins within their groups. Recovery position was also discussed and demonstrated for students and when this would be used and why. Students then had the opportunity to practise this within their groups. Small Q&A sessions were conducted at the end of each period covering everything that had been discussed and taught. Safe Angus is to be rolled out to all secondary schools within the region over the coming months with dates already in place.

## Water Safety Backwater Reservoir and Lintrathen Loch



Due to an increase in water related incidents nationally and due to the potential for fire related incidents within the area, LALO Gary Wood (Angus) and LALO Lewis Duncan (Dundee) organised a joint venture with Police Scotland Mountain Rescue Team, Tayside Mountain Rescue Team, Scottish Water, Kirriemuir Landward West Community Council and Angus, Perth and Kinross and Dundee City Children and Families Departments (Education).

3 areas of Backwater Reservoir were used for engaging with visitors ranging from family outings to paddle boarders. The use of fire service mountain bikes also allowed the team to engage with members of the community and put water safety notices around the reservoir and neighbouring Lintrathen Loch.

Advice was given to visitors and locals regarding dangers of cold water and the impact wild camping and fires can have on the area as well as the dangers to themselves. Overall, a very successful event even though the weather conspired against us.



## Anti-Social behaviour engagements

### Monikie Country Park

Following issues and wilful fire raising at the park, both community teams from Police Scotland and SFRS Angus held an information gathering engagement with members of the local community to raise awareness of Anti-Social behaviour.

### Forfar Loch



The former Lochside leisure centre is a trouble hotspot. Pic: Paul Reid/Paul Kelly.

Over this last quarter there was a spike in ASB at for Forfar loch with youths lighting small fires and causing disturbances. Along with Police Scotland and angus councils' community safety team there was a small working group formed to tackle the issues and concerns. Over the period SFRS with our community partners liaised with the problem groups to reduce the issues and at present the issues seem to have reduced and the working group has proven a worthwhile venture with positive outcomes.

## **Community Events**

SFRS Angus attended a community event at Forfar's Lordburn Park, speaking with local residents and giving home fire safety advice and arranging Home Safety Visits

## **Community Library bus & Chatty Café's**



Community Safety Advocate Lisa Cox has once again linked up with the local community library bus to get out the safety message to the more rural communities within Angus venturing to the Angus glens. From this she has linked up to delivery presentations to Chatty Cafes within all the local towns to again get our home safety message into communities.

## **Angus Alive Summer of fun**

For the third year SFRS Angus took part in the summer of fun activities allowing youngsters a look around SFRS appliances and allowing the a "Skoosh of the Hoses"

## **Angus Promise Day Monikie**



SFRS Angus were asked to attend Angus councils first Promise day where the team talked with families and carers from across Angus to offer support with home safety and advice The team took part in some of the activities on what was a worthwhile day engaging with different people.

## **Carnoustie Fire Station**

Again, Carnoustie fire station are leading the way in all forms of poverty and cost of living crisis issues with a breakfast pop up and uniform drop off. SFRS Angus is planning to mirror Carnoustie's success and create food banks and drop offs at all their Angus stations to help tackle the cost of living crisis within Scotland.