

PREVENTION FUNCTIONAL PLAN ACTION TRACKER 2024/25

Our Purpose:

HERE TO SERVE. HERE TO PROTECT.

HERE TO KEEP YOU SAFE.

	Action Plan 2024/25							
KEY DELIVERABLE	ACTIONS TO ACHIEVE EXPECTED OUTCOMES	OWNER	PROGRESS	PROJECTED COMPLETION DATE	BOARD REPORT DATE	BRAG STATUS		
DELIVERABLE 3.1 Intelligently target those most at risk from fire in the home.	3.1.1 We will evaluate our current position against the NFCC Prevention Competency Framework and the Person Centred Approach to Home Fire Safety.	GM Home Safety GM Community Safety Strategic Safeguarding Manager	 Q1 - Prevention have commissioned an evaluation piece by the University of Liverpool into the reduction in Accidental Dwelling Fires and the correlation between the reduction in fire fatalities and injuries with the number of Home Fire Safety Checks carried out by our staff. Q2 - Prevention now have the completed report from the University of Liverpool and was presented to Community Risk management Board on Monday 28th October 2024 Q3 - The Liverpool John Moores University report has been uploaded to the National Fire Chiefs Council (NFCC) learning platform to be shared with the sector nationally. 	As per FDP tracker, all actions completed in year.				
	3.1.2 We will review and refresh our Home Fire Safety Check to ensure that the core components of a Home Fire Safety Check are successfully referenced during each interaction with our communities.	GM Home Safety	Q1 - Prevention have embedded a Single Point of Contact at every station across the organisation and have been delivering a powerpoint presentation to all staff regarding what a "Gold Standard" HFSC looks and feels like. Q2 – Prevention have embedded a Single Point of Contact on all stations and updated the station home page to reflect contact details of all advocates.					

	comp	B – All operational staff have received mprehensive training in the standards ound delivery of Hone Fire Safety necks.
suite of training packagesSatisfiesfor every new starter andGNexisting staff to include aConew Home Fire SafetySatisfiesshort video which will fullyStrengage our teams whoSatisfies	prese all op- requir referr gic The H uarding Comm ger provid Q2 - educa startin weeks Devel The vi Comm Q3 - devel	 Prevention have PowerPoint esentations which we are delivering to operational staff, highlighting the quirements for either a Prevention ferral or a safeguarding referral. e HFSC video is with Corpaorate omms who will be using an external ovider to produce . Prevention are delivering an lucational piece to all operational staff arting on the 3rd of November 2024 for 8 eeks on Sundays at the new Training & evelopment Academy. e video is still ongoing due to Corparate omms availability. This work is ongoing and is in the evelopment stage with Corporate ommunications.
activity in targeted areas Sa and evaluate prior to full GN roll out. Co Sa Str Sa	that p a show gathe educa gic referr uarding Preve ger collea throu Q2 -	 L - The CIPHA pilot has now paused so at partners can evaluate outcomes for short period of time. MFRS are still thering data. It has highlighted an ucational piece with MFRS staff when ferring to either Prevention or partners. evention have spoken to Response lleaugues and this is being addressed rough the SPOCs amd SMs. 2 – The CIPHA pilot has paused for aluation by partners. Pilot 2 has already

	3.1.7 Through Prevention teams, we will deliver 10,000 Safe and Well visits	Area Manager Prevention GM Home Safety GM Community Safety Strategic Safeguarding Manager	 quarter 4. HFSC delivered to the end of Q3 is 38,752. Q1Prevention advocates are on course to deliver the 10,000 Safe and Well visits. As of June advocates have completed 2,626 visits. Q2 - Prevention advocates are on course to deliver the 10,000 Safe and Well visits. As of June advocates have completed 5,505 visits. Q3 - This target remains on course for successful completion by the end of quarter 4. Safe and Well delivered to end of Q3 is 8,130. 		
3.2 Understand, educate and advise local communities about emerging technologies and the associated risks	3.2.1 We will continue to lead Home Safety nationally, allowing us access to learning about e- bikes and e-scooters through the NFCC channels.	GM Home Safety	Q1 - Prevention lead nationally on the delivery of e- bikes and e-scooters developing close links with the NFCC and Electrical Safety First (ESF) with the issue being highlighted in the King's speech. Q2 – Media campaign planned for the Christmas period highlighting the dangers and risks associated either the safe purchase of e bike and e scooters. Q3 – This is now embedded in the HFSC delivery and all staff in MFRS reolise the importance of capturing the dangers involved with lithium ion during their HFSC visits.	As per FDP tracker, all actions completed in year.	

	3.2.2 We will link in with the Office of Product Safety Standards, Home Office Fire Kills and NFCC Home Safety Committee to share information and analyse trends. 3.2.3 We will develop new information packages to inform learning for sharing with our staff, particularly our operational response teams who deliver Home Fire Safety activity. 3.2.4 Work with our Corporate communication team to develop specific prevention messaging to counter new and emerging risks.	GM Community Safety Strategic Safeguarding Manager Strategic Safeguarding Manager GM Home Safety GM Community Safety Strategic Safeguarding Manager	 Not a Q1 action Q2 - Not a Q2 Action Q3 - Not a Q3 Action Not a Q1 action Q2 - Not a Q2 Action Q3 - Not a Q3 Action Q1 - Prevention are working closely with our Corporate Comms Team regarding emerging risks aspecially regarding education regarding lithium ion batteries and safe charging. Q2 - Prevention are working closely with our Corporate Comms Team regarding education regarding lithium ion batteries and safe charging. Q2 - Prevention are working closely with our Corporate Comms Team regarding emerging risks aspecially regarding education regarding lithium ion batteries and safe charging. Q3 - This work is still ongoing and will hopefully be delivered fully by the end of Q4. This is very much dependent on the current capacity within communications. 	As per EDD tracker	
to explore the relationship between	3.3.1 We will engage our local academic partners at University of Liverpool to undertake a review of current activity, establish		Q1 - Prevention have commissioned an evaluation piece by the University of Liverpool into the reduction in Accidental Dwelling Fires and the correlation between the reduction in fire fatalities	As per FDP tracker, all actions completed in year.	

activity and	recommendations and	and injuries with the number of Home
evidence	improve prevention	Fire Safety Checks carried out by our staff.
reductions in	delivery.	Q2 - Prevention have commissioned an
accidental	delivery.	evaluation piece by the University of
dwelling fires,		Liverpool into the reduction in Accidental
injuries and		Dwelling Fires and the correlation
fatalities.		between the reduction in fire fatalities and
Tatanties.		injuries with the number of Home Fire
		Safety Checks carried out by our staff. This
		report is now complete and has been
		shared at Community Risk Management
		Board on the 28 th October 2024.
		Board off the 28 October 2024.
		Q3 – The LIMU report has been uploaded
		to the NFCC learning platform to be shared
		with the sector nationaly
		with the sector nationary
	3.3.2 Support key lines of	NOt a Q1 action
	enquiry to enable	Q2 -
	comprehensive	As above
	information gathering and	
	evaluation.	Q3 – Not a Q3 Action.
	3.3.3 Share learning and	Not a Q1 action
	findings with partners,	Q2 -
	nationally and locally to	As above
	support the sharing of	
	best practice.	Q3 – As Above
	3.3.4 Utilise the data to	Not a Q1 action
	inform, evidence and	Q2 -
	support future funding	As above
	opportunities to improve	
	delivery of Prevention	Q3 – As above
	activities within MFRS.	

quality youth education activities using a trauma informed approach.	3.4.1 Review all policies to ensure that the child's voice is heard so they feel that they matter, as per trauma informed principles and the restorative practice approach.	Strategic Safeguarding and Youth Education Manager Youth Manager	 Q1 - This work is ongoing, however it was noted in the Matrix Report that the 'Student Voice' has recently benchmarked the programme both locally and nationally and had gathered 'good ideas'. The National Fire Chiefs Council (NFCC) United Kingdom Fire Cadets (UKFC) have developed a national cadet voice forum to discuss how their voices and opinions can influence and contribute to future delivery. Liverpool City Council is also leading on becoming a 'Child Friendly City' and MFRS will utilise their principles to assist in shaping our youth policies and procedures. Q2 - Youth Education Staff have completed the 'Trauma Informed Practice' Training that was arranged by the Violence Reduction Partnership (VRP). The Youth Education Department will now ensure that all police, procedures and practice are 'child friendly and trauma informed' and that this is reflected in the way we deliver our youth activities. Q3 - Youth Education staff are undertaking 'Voice of the Child' and 'Child Friendly' training to ensure that all policies and procedures. 	As per FDP tracker, all actions completed in year.		

3.4.2 Deliver 9 Princes' Trust Programmes at 3 locations for young people aged 16-25 years old.	Strategic Safeguarding and Youth Education Manager	 Q1 - The Prince's Trust Team will be completing the contractual expectations in August 2024 of nine Princes Trust Teams for the current academic year. MFRS are currently awaiting confirmation from St. Helens & Knowsley College (SHKC) regarding funding for the next academic year (2024-2025). Prince's Trust also have a student Social Worker embedded to oversee the pastoral care of our learners. Q2 – The Princes Trust Team have delivered 9 programmes in the 2023 - 2024 academic year and the Youth Education Manager and Princes Trust Manager are working with St. Helens and Knowsley College and MFRS Finance Department to agree the income to be received from the existing contract. This will be updated and reported on in Q3. The Prince's Trust has been renamed The King's Trust. 	
		Q3 – The Kings Trust Team have delivered three programmes in the first delivery schedule of the 2024-2025 academic year. Youth Manager liaising with St Helens and Knowsley College (SHKC) to ensure that funding is received on a term basis rather than annual. No problems identified with the Kings Trust delivery.	

3.4.3 Deliver Prima Beacon Programm Children and Youn People in Merseys	es for g ide. Strategic Safeguarding and Youth Education Manager	 Q1 - Merseyside Violence Reduction Partnership (MVRP) has agreed to fund the Beacon Programme for the next financial year (£140k). In quarter 1, the Beacon Team has delivered 8 programmes. Q2 - It is currently not known whether the funding from the Violence Reduction Partnership (VRP) will be extended to the financial year 2024-2025 and as such, the Youth Education Management Team are looking at what the running costs would be if it were to be absorbed as a Youth Education activity. Q3 - MFRS are still awaiting official confirmation from Merseyside Violence Reduction Partnership (MVRP) that funding will be allocated for the 2025- 2026 financial year, however early indications are that this is promising. As mentioned previously, whilst delivery might be slightly different, MFRS could potentially absord delivery as a mainstream activity. 	
3.4.4 Deliver 5 Fire Units for young pe aged 13-18 years.		Q1 - Merseyside Fire and Rescue Authority (MFRA) approved funding growth of £35k for the financial year 2024-2025. This has allowed the team to appoint a Fire Cadet Co-ordinator role (five hours per week) to oversee and introduce quality assurance and compliance with the Fire Cadet Programme and the National Fire Chiefs Council (NFCC) Delivery Framework.	

		Q2 – Wallasey Fire Cadets is currently suspended due to the absence of a Team Leader, a recruitment process has been completed and the new Team Leader will be in post by January 2025. A Project Station Manager is currently undertaking a project to look at the Drill Yard Training competency of staff and it is hoped that the training will commence in January 2025.	
3.4.5 Utilise our member		 Q3 – Wallasey Fire Cadets is now live as a Unit Leader has been recruited. The Station Manager leading on the Drill Yard Exercise Project is currently close to rolling out sustainable training. Q1 - Our seconded member of staff has contributed to the additional funding. 	
of staff seconded into the Merseyside VRP to identify funding opportunities and areas to deliver youth interventions in line with Serious Violence Duty obligations.	Strategic Safeguarding and Youth Education Manager GM	contributed to the additional funding that will allow MFRS its unique engagement with children and young people through partnership opportunities which included Princes Trust and Beacon. These activities encourage our young people to follow positive pathways and make better lifechoices.	
	Community Safety	Q2 – The MFRS member of staff's secondment is due to end in March 2025. MFRS have requested that the Violence Reduction Partnership (VRP) respond by 31 st December 2025 to advise their intentions post-March 2025.	

		Q3 – Conversations are currently being held regarding the secondment to Merseyside Violence Reduction Partnership (MVRP), however early indications are that this will continue for a further 12 months.
3.4.6 Deliver our obligations under the Serious Violence Duty through delivery of a number of Youth Education programmes, linking in with the OPCC and the Merseyside VRP.	Strategic Safeguarding and Youth Education Manager GM Community Safety	 Q1 - MFRS has linked its Youth Education delivery to contribute to the Serious Violence Duty Act (SVDA) and will utilise evidence of how we contribute to the decrease in serious crime by positively engaging with children and young people. The Office for the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) released statistics in July 2024 that show an 8% decrease in serious violence, and an 18.6% decrease in knife crime in Merseyside. Gun crime is also at its lowest level since records began 22 years ago. Q2 – MFRS are working collaboration with National Fire Chiefs Council (NFCC) to ensure that the Serious Violence Duty (SVD) is delivered in line with a consistent approach throughout the Sector. Q3 – MFRS are still working in collaboration with the NFCC Guidelines and Lead Officer regarding our obligations under the Serious Violence Duty – Ongoing.

3.5 Build our	3.5.1 Review staff		Not a Q1 action	As per FDP tracker,	
team, enabling	progression routes			all actions	
the professional	through the Prevention	Area Manager	Q2 – Not a Q2 action	completed in year.	
delivery of	directorate to allow a	Prevention			
Prevention	blended approach to		Q3 – Not a Q3 action		
services in our	Prevention team activity				
diverse	at every level.				
communities.	3.5.2 Introduce a		Q1 - Posters have been displayed at all		
	Prevention Single Point of		stations informing crews of who their		
	Contact (SPOC) as a direct		dedicated SPOC is for their station area.		
	link to every Community		Q2 – Relationships are continuing to build		
	Fire Station to ensure a	GM Home	between stations and their Single Point of		
	rounded understanding of	Safety GM	Contact (SPOC) following the introduction		
	Prevention activity and	Community	of the posters on the stations. This is		
	improve joint working	Safety Senior	having an improved effect on information		
	relationships.	Prevention	sharing		
			Q3 – This is now embedded on stations		
			and relationships continue to build.		
	3.5.3 We will work		Not a Q1 action		
	alongside crews to		Q2 – This work has started and is being		
	educate and develop	SM Home	delivered as the current Sunday Six		
	understanding with	Safety SM	training programme for all ops crews.		
	regards to the ED&I data	Community			
	collected from Home Fire	Safety Senior	Q3 – Following training, await to see if		
	Safety Checks and Safe	Prevention	there are any changes or improvements in		
	and Well visits.	Manager	the delivery of HFSC in this area.		
	3.5.4 Support all staff to	GM Home	Not a Q1 action		
	understand our leadership	Safety GM	Q2 – MFRS leadership message is now		
	message, including	Community	embedded within all that is done within		
	exposure to NFCC Code of	Strategic	the service. All new staff will be fully		
	Ethics, Service values and	Saffeguarding	inducted on the leadership message.		
	coaching and mentoring.	Youth			

		Education Manager	Q3 – Leadership message now fully embedded in all Prevention activity.		
	3.5.5 Managers will work with POD and EDI officers to ensure that the Positive Action Recrutiment framework is deployed when recruiting workforce.	All managers	Not a Q1 action Q2 – All recruitment within Prevention is undertaken with the support of the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Team and inline with the NFCC Positive Action Toolkit. Q3 – Prevention look at all aspects of diversity when recruiting for new and existing roles.		
3.6 Revisit our volunteering principles and explore how we can use volunteers to support us in our activities.	3.6.1 We will review extant policies and instructions in respect of volunteers, updating and amending as required.	Strategic Safeguarding and Youth Education Manager Youth Manager	 Q1 - A Task and Finish Group met on 12th June 2024 to review the existing Service Instruction, policies and processes to ensure that they are appropriate and fit for purpose. Q2 - Service Instruction 0864 Volunteers was ciculated for consultation with the representative bodies on 28/10/2024. Following this 21 day consultation. Q3 - Service Instruction 0864 (Volunteers) is now live and work is ongoing with Corporate Communications to ensure that the MFRS internet site has an effective Volunteers page that advertises current roles available and how to apply. 	As per FDP tracker, all actions completed in year.	

	with the requisite skills and equipment	Manager Youth Manager	 Q2 – Induction checklist has been embedded as an appendices in SI 0864 and will vbe overseen by the relevant Line Manager to ensure compliance. Q3 – Induction appendix approved via consultation process and will be fully embedded once the volunteers have been interviewed and selected. 			
3.7 Develop our targeted, community focussed campaigns	3.7.1 We will align our campaigns and associated interventions to partners place based plans to ensure the most effective outcomes including deployments of our assets and resources.	GM Community Safety	 Q1 - Joint campaignes have been undertaken and this allows partners to get involved ensuring effective use of available resourses for each campaign. Q2 - Joint campaignes continue to be delivered in this way and the feedback from partners is positive. Q3 - Multi-agency joint campaigs continue through Q3 and the inclusivisty of all partners is key to the success of these campaigns. 	As per FDP tracker, all actions completed in year.		
	3.7.2 We will jointly deploy our teams alongside crews and partners under spate or unsual conditions to ensure key targeted messaging – e.g. water safety during warmer periods.	GM & SM Community Safety	 Q1 - Joint working has taken place in the planning for the city centre waterfront summer safety campaign. This has seen a joint approach from internal stakholders and partners in order to porepare for summer activities around the waterfront area. Q2 - Following the success from the summer waterfront campaign it is planned to conduct a joint campaign surrounding the annual drink drive message. 			

		Q3 – There have been numerous occasions when this has taken place during Q3.
3.7.3 We will work with Local Resilience Forum (LRF) and other local key partners to monitor and respond if there are increased tensions that may occur because of hate crime or terror related incidents.	GM Community Safety	 Q1 - Planning has started with te LRF to prepare for Operation Banger 2024. This work ensures a close working relationship is maintained throughout the LRF. Q2 - The Local Resilience Forum and partners have taken part in a table top exercise as part of the preporation for the op banger period 2024. Q3 - We continue to be information led through the Local Resilience Forum (LRF) amongst other information pathways over any likelihood of increased community tension.
3.7.4 Road Safety Education will focus on the Merseyside Road Safety Partnership Plan. Our interventions will be targeted at those aged 18 -24 and those identified as part of Youth Offending.	GM & SM Community Safety	Q1 - Road safety teams have joined up with EFC and LFC to deliver road safety messages to this age group. We have also used PIPS (performance management system) data to support the evidence relating to young people killed and seriously injured in road traffic collisions within this age group across all areas of Merseyside. Q2 – Road safety advice will be part of the delivery at the in the zone sessions. These are sessions targeting this age group of students based on the Wirral.

			Q3 – Road safety sessions continue to be delivered with the aid of Virtual Reality (VR) goggles. This has now been expanded to include their use more widley.		
	3.7.5 We will continue to work with our LA's to identify hotspot areas and deploy our Street Intervention Team to reduce anti social behaviour related incidents.	GM & SM Community Safety	 Q1 - Street Intervention Team (SIT) review has taken place during this period to ensure standardisation within SIT and also best ways to report on data captured. Q2 - Following the review of the Street Intervention Team (SIT) teams they are now deployed for longer periods in one area. This is to collect intelligence and also build relationships and the initial evidence is that this is providing better results in anti-social behaviour (ASB) reduction Q3 - The continued changes in how SIT are deployed are constantly being reviewed and at the moment through Q3 this has led to a downturn in anit-social behaviour in the areas Street Intervention Teams (SIT) have been patrolling. 		
3.8 Align the delivery of our Fire Cadets programmes with NFCC Children and	3.8.1 We will develop a training induction package to meet and maintain competencies to deliver drill exercises.	Strategic Safeguarding Manager &Youth Education	Q1 - The Youth Education Team were successful in securing a Station Manager (Development) to deliver a six month project that will implement a sustainable training programme for the Drill Yard	As per FDP tracker, all actions completed in year.	
Young People principles		Manager	Training aspect of Fire Cadets. The SMD commences their duty with the team on 15 th July 2024.		

		 Q2 – Project Station Manager has delivered a report to the Community Risk Management Prevention Board and 28/10/2024 which has approved the implementation of the Drill Yard Competency Training which is expected to commence in January 2025. Q3 – Station Manager has moved project to the training/delivery stage. Drill Yard Training to be rolled out in Q4. 	
3.8.2 We will explore opportunities for external funding/sponsorship to support the continued delivery of our Fire Cadet Units.	Strategic Safeguarding Manager &Youth Education Manager GM Community Safety	 Q1 - The Youth Education Management Team will be liasing with Registered Providers, Equaans and other Community Partners to review the possibility of funding/sponsorship of Youth Education activities and delivery. Q2 – Strategic Safeguarding Manager and Youth Education Manager to contact Registered Providers and other relevant partners to consider funding and/or sponsorship. Q3 – Meeting to be arranged with Legal 	
3.8.3 We will recognise the contribution of our young people through a recognition and	Strategic Safeguarding Manager &Youth	Department regarding the implications of joint funding/sponsorship, prior to communication being made with Regiatered Providers. Q1 - The contribution of Fire Cadet Team Leaders and Volunteer Instructors was recognised during the National Volunteer Week from the 3 rd -9 th June	

celebration awards	Education	2024. MFRS also delivered an awards	T
evening.	Manager	evening for the five Fire Cadet Units,	
evening.	Wallager	which culminated in the George Taylor	
		award.	
		Princes Trust continues to deliver three	
		Presentation evenings and Beacon	
		passouts for each scholl every six weeks.	
		Q2 – MFRS will implement a Fire Cadet	
		Awards/Passout in 2025 at the Training	
		and Development Academy which will	
		include family friends and Senior Officers.	
		Fire Cadets will also be represented at the	
		Fire Cadet Games in Cardiff Met	
		University on 18-20/07/2025.	
		Q3 – No recognition and celebration	
		awards in last quarter. However	
		preparation is being made for MFRS to be	
		represented at the Fire Cadet Games in	
		Cardiff in August 2025.	
3.8.4 We will ensure that	Strategic	Q1 - The Youth Education Team were	
our Fire Cadet Units are	Safeguarding	successful in securing a Station Manager	
delivered in line with NFCC		(Development) to deliver a six month	
framework for Children	&Youth	project that will implement a sustainable	
and Young People.	Education	training programme for the Drill Yard	
	Manager	Training aspect of Fire Cadets. The SMD	
	Wallager		
		commences their duty with the team on	
		15 th July 2024.	
		Q2 – Project Station Manager is in month	l
		4 of a 6 month project reviewing Fire	1
		Cadets, ensuring that delivery is in line	1
		with NFCC Framework for Children and	
		Young People. The King's Trust Manager	

Action completed	 Action is unlikely to be delivered within the current functional delivery plan	Action may not be delivered by the designated deadline within the functional plan	Action will be delivered by th deadline within the funct	Action not yet started
		Framework. Q3 – Working with NFCC Fire Cadet ordinator and attending 'Café du Cad to ensure that MFRS are engaged with requirements for Fire Cadet delivery	ets'	
		and Beacon Manager also ensure these are delivered in line with N		

STATUS SUMMARY – 31.12.24				
Total Number of Workstreams	39 (100%)			
Action completed	1 (3%)			
Action is unlikely to be delivered within the current functional delivery plan	0 (0%)			
Action may not be delivered by the designated deadline within the functional plan	12 (31%)			
Action will be delivered by the designated deadline within the functional plan	20 (51%)			
Action not yet started	6 (15%)			