

# 17 - Belle Vale Community Fire Station

## Community Risk Management Plan 2024-25

### Excellent Operational Preparedness

As your community fire station, we will;

Continue to identify and familiarise ourselves with the risks in our station area, providing fire safety advice to the owners/occupants and SOFSA (Simple Operational Fire Safety Assessment) for larger premises.

Continue to utilise PORIS (Provision of Risk Information System) to provide a risk score and where needed, conduct a SSRI inspection to maximise operational risk knowledge.

We will continue to maintain our skills and competencies utilise the annual training planner to ensure operational preparedness.

In addition to this we will Host, maintain and train with National Resilience assets including the High-Volume Pump (HVP) in conjunction with support stations to maintain effectiveness, and provide familiarisation training to colleagues from all stations and partner agencies.

### Excellent Operational Response

We will;

Ensure Alert to Mobilisation standards are maintained (1.9 minutes) plus 10-minute response standards to all incidents as detailed in the CRMP.

Maintain and develop our excellent Health and Safety culture within the workplace. Continue to encourage our work force to recognise and act upon near misses and safety observations to maintain the highest possible standards and keep accidents and injuries to an absolute minimum. Maintain and service PPE to the highest possible standards.

Maintain operational appliances and equipment to the highest standards for effectiveness and availability. Carry out practical exercises including an EN1 multi pump exercise with the High Volume Pump to enhance and promote its capability service wide.

Undertake regular on-station training in line with the Operational training calendar ensuring quality assurance via Station Manager audits and complying with Service procedures, Command guides and Information notes to ensure the highest levels of response

### Excellent Prevention and Protection

Together we will;

Utilise demographic data and statistics to ensure that we are best placed to understand and recognise our local community whilst conducting Home Fire Safety Check's and delivering seasonal campaigns.

Prevention work will prioritise the most vulnerable persons or "at risk" groups and work with local community partners and fire safety advocates to promote in areas of high social deprivation.

Support local community groups and housing providers to promote our Home Fire Safety Check strategy including reassurance campaigns in High Rise premises, prevention talks in Sheltered Accommodation, Schools and rural areas plus attend community events to maximise effectiveness.

Utilise Prevention officers and local partners to identify areas of ASB (anti-social behaviour) and liaise with property/ landowners to reduce risk.

Carry out SOFSA visits to enhance Fire Protection standards in Commercial premises and encourage staff to become familiar with risks in their station area.

### Excellent People

Belle Vale Fire Station, will;

Promote awareness of the importance of mental health & wellbeing. Promote occupational health support including signposting staff to services such as counselling and EAP, where appropriate.

Positively promote Critical Incident Stress Management process. These measures should contribute to maintaining low absence levels.

Develop our people via continued engagement to deliver a professional service, which has a positive impact on our communities and workplace.

Support the Firefighter Apprenticeship Programme through mentoring, training, development and observation on station.

Develop and support personnel at all rank levels to be the best they can be and identify and support potential managers for the future, including coaching and mentoring.

Review performance and identify future development needs through the appraisal system.

Promote a healthy lifestyle amongst personnel through good nutrition and a physical fitness environment.

Recognise and promote the value of EDI within the FRS and the wider communities we serve.

Contribute to Service Positive Action via signposting to "District Have a Go Days"

In conjunction with the Armed Forces Network and our Gold Award Defence Employer Recognition Scheme.

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**Our mission is to achieve safer stronger communities through safe and effective firefighters, delivering excellent operational preparedness, response, prevention, protection and people.**

**OUTCOMES** are the impact our actions have on the community such as reducing incidents.

**OUTPUTS** are the quantifiable things we deliver to achieve better outcomes for the communities we serve.

	Estimated Performance 2024/25	Estimated Targets 2025/26*		Annual Target 2025/26
All Fires	182		Site Specific Risk Information (SSRIs)	22
All Primary Fires	44		Home Fire Safety Checks	2450
Accidental Dwelling Fires (ADFs)	30		HFSC's delivered to over 65's (60% of HFSC target)	1470
Deliberate Vehicle Fires	7		Hydrant Surveys	54
All Secondary Fires	138		Waste & Fly Tipping	24
Anti-Social Behaviour Fires (ASBs)	127		Prevention talks	12
AFA's in Non Domestic Premises	1		Simple Operational Fire Safety Assessments	70
% ADF No Smoke Alarm	90.0%		Off Station Exercising	2
Alert to Mobile	98.2%	95%	Community Events	2

The targets are based on 5 years performance data.

\*Targets for 25/26 will be added in March

We aim by the delivery of these outcomes to achieve reductions in death and injuries in our communities