NORTH SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE

28th September 2023

REPORT OF THE TYNE & WEAR FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

1 **Purpose of Report**

1.1 The following report gives performance-monitoring details in relation to Local Indicators for the Sunderland North Committee area from 23rd June until 12th September, compared with the same period in 2022.

2 Background

2.1 Area Committee agreed that regular updates on Crime and Community Safety would be presented to each committee meeting.

3 Tyne & Wear Fire and Rescue Service Update

3.1 LI 02 - Number of Deaths from all fires

No deaths were recorded during the reporting period.

3.2 L.I 14 - Number of Deliberate primary fires excluding road vehicles

3 Incidents occurred within this reporting period; this compares to 7 reported incidents in the same period last year



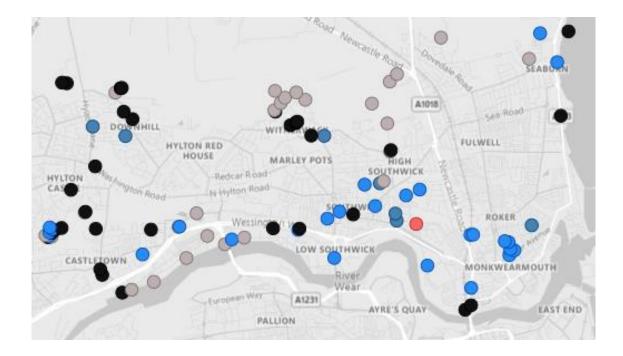
1 deliberate property fire. Small in scale and resulted in no injuries, Firefighting actions limited.

Hot strikes from operational crews and Safe & Well targeting has been conducted by the TWFRS Prevention and Education department. Partnership work with the Police, Gentoo, Sunderland City Council and other partners continues where appropriate to reduce repeat incidents using a joint approach.

SARA Partnership working is once again showing positive results for TWFRS

3.3 LI 33 - Number of Deliberate fires incorporating Secondary Fires (LI16)

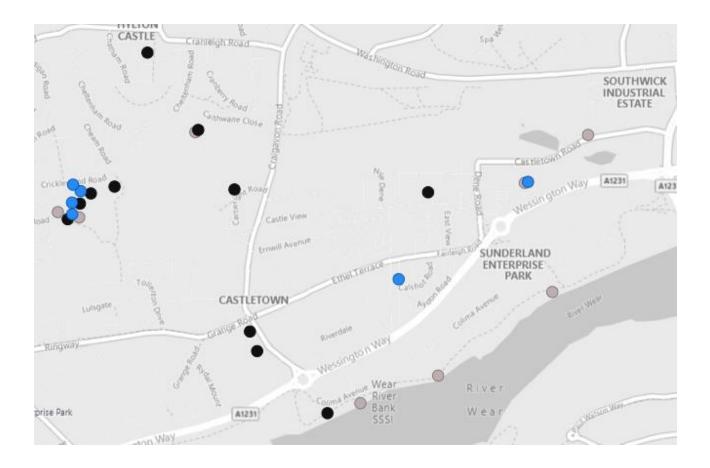
There have been 92 deliberate fires over this period compared to 169 in the same period last year, a decrease of 45%. Large Improvements across all wards apart from St Peter's, however this increase is attributed to only 1 incident. We are seeing a 16% - 63% reduction.



Ward Breakdown

Castle	25 down from $32 = 22\%$ reduction
Fulwell	5 down from $6 = 16\%$ reduction
Redhill	21 down from $57 = 63\%$ reduction
Southwick	29 down from $77 = 62\%$ reduction
St Peter's	10 up from 9 = 11% increase

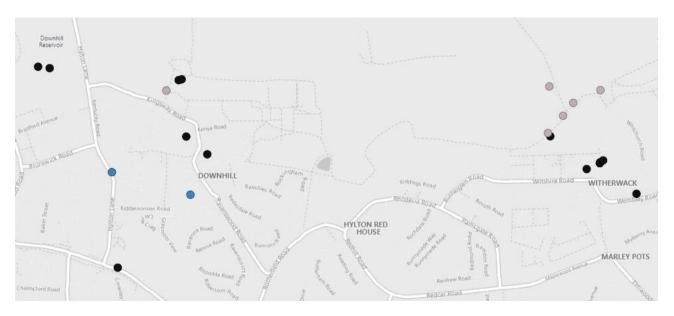
3.3.1 <u>Castle Ward</u> has seen a decrease in deliberate fire related incidents from 32 the previous year to 25 this reporting period. Incidents have occurred in the following area;



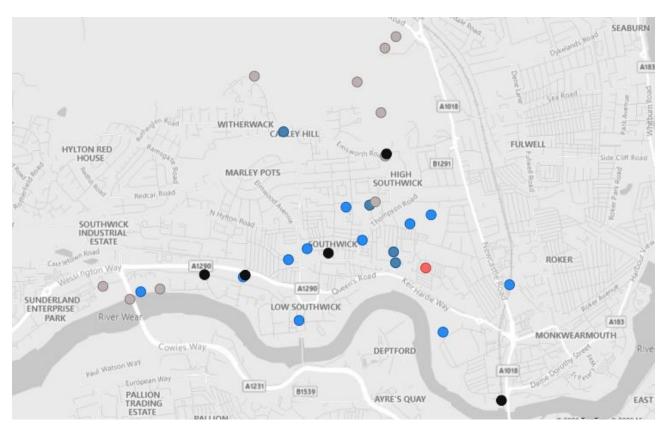
3.3.2 **Fulwell Ward** has seen a decrease in deliberate fire related incidents from 6 the previous year to 5 this reporting period. Incidents have occurred in the following areas;



3.3.3 <u>**Redhill Ward**</u> has seen a decrease in deliberate fire related incidents from 57 the previous year to 21 this reporting period. Incidents have occurred in the following areas;



3.3.4 **Southwick Ward** has seen a decrease in deliberate fire related incidents from 65 the previous year to 31 this reporting period. Incidents have occurred in the following areas;



3.3.5 <u>St Peter's Ward</u> has seen an increase in deliberate fire related incidents from 9 the previous year to 10 this reporting period. Incidents have occurred in the following areas;



3.3.6 LI 16 Number of deliberate secondary fires

Figures are incorporated into the above totals but provided here as these are relevant to partners when tackling ASB areas

82 incidents compared to 157 same period last year. 48% reduction area wide

		Property Type	Incident Count
		Loose refuse (incl in garden)	30
		Wheelie Bin	11
		Grassland, pasture, grazing etc	10
		Tree scrub (includes single trees not in garden)	9
		Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding wheelie bin)	7
		Refuse/rubbish tip	4
Ward Name	Incident Count	Other outdoor items including roadside furniture	3
Castle	25	Straw/stubble burning	3
Southwick	25	Canal/riverbank vegetation	2
Redhill	18	Cycle path/public footpath/bridleway	1
St Peter's	9	Fence	1
Fulwell	5	Playground (not equipment)	1
Total	82	or Recreational area	
		Total	82

4 Fire Stoppers Hotline

4.1 It is essential that any fire related issues are reported utilising the Fire Stoppers hotline; 0800 169 5558. Crews from Marley Park Community Fire Station are encouraged to foster strong working relationships with community groups and partner agencies. Our aim is to positively impact deliberate fire reduction and deter anti-social behaviour, as these activities have a direct and detrimental impact on life risk, property, the environment and the entire Sunderland community.

Any questions: please feel free to contact the below TWFRS Station Manager.

5 Summary

5.1 TWFRS will continue to work with Northumbria Police and Local Authority Representatives to investigate and identify trends, create action plans and evaluate activities. Crews at Marley Park Community Fire Station utilise intelligence led data to target areas of increased activity, allowing resources to be utilised efficiently and effectively. SARA partnership working is having very positive results for TWFRS

6 **Recommendations**

6.1 The Sunderland North Area Committee are requested to note the content of the report.

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