NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

YORKSHIRE COAST AND MOORS COUNTY AREA COMMITTEE

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North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service Community Safety Update Scarborough District

Report of Group Manager Danny Westmoreland

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To advise members of the Area Committee of Community Safety Activities involving North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service (NYFRS) that have occurred between the 1st March – 31st May 2017 and to provide an update regarding other issues from within the Scarborough District.

2.0 INTRODUCTION

2.1 The following report covers the period 1st March – 31st May 2017.

3.0 SERVICE DELIVERY

3.1 The follow activity list provides an overview of the Community Safety initiatives conducted in the Scarborough area over the past 3 months.

Community Fire Safety	March - May 2017 Total
Number of Smoke Alarms fitted	175
Number of Home Fire Risk Assessments completed	125
Targeted driving campaigns	10
Child Firesetters	1
Other community fire safety talks	23

Technical Fire Safety	March - May 2017	
	Total	
Number of Fire Safety Audits Completed	111	
All TFS job types completed	361	

3.2 **District Update**

3.2.1 Fire Cover Review update

Tactical Response Vehicle (TRV)

The first TRV went live at Scarborough on the 16th January 17 and subsequent TRV's have then gone live at Northallerton, Tadcaster and Harrogate. The TRV's have attended and successfully dealt with a range of incident types since going live.

Summary of TRV Operational Activity

The reporting period is from 16th January 2017- 30th May 2017

	TOTAL
Number of TRV mobilisations	459
3 riders	165
Sole Appliance Attending	143

Incident types that the TRV have been mobilised to:

Incident Type	Total Number of Mobilisations	3 Riders
AFA - Residential	6	3
False Alarm	154	62
Fire- Persons Reported	2	1
Fire - Building	11	4
Fire - Chimney	6	1
Fire - High Rise	9	2
Fire - Industrial	4	1
Fire - Prison	2	1
Fire - Residential	33	9
Fire - Vehicle	24	8
Fire- In Open	68	23
Fire - Moor	1	1
Haz Mat	5	
Non attendance	20	4
Rescue - Lift / Persons Trapped	14	5
Rescue - Animal	7	5
Rescue - Height	1	
RTC - No action	9	3
RTC - Persons trapped	10	2
Special Services	68	28
Misc - Exercise / Standby	4	2
Total	459	165

As part of the Fire Cover Review there is Project team which is reviewing and evaluating the implementation of the Fire Cover Review proposals and specifically the introduction of the TRV's. This review is auditing the effect on our policies, procedures, the new vehicles and the equipment that is carried. Each incident that the TRV attends an incident debrief and audit form is completed.

The remaining TRV's are going live at Malton and Ripon in September 2017.

3.2.2 Community Safety update

North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue staff promoted key safety messages to year 6 children from across Scarborough and Ryedale Districts when they attend the Crucial Crew event over two weeks in June 2017. Community safety officers focused on ensuring that the children attending knew what to do in the event of a fire occurring in their own home, that they have a working smoke alarm at home and that they have a night time evacuation plan.

Operational crews from Scarborough and the Community Safety Officer worked with partners within the Community Impact Team and responded to community concerns after residents highlighted a number of nuisance fires being set in the Edgehill and Hinderwell Road area. The crews responded quickly with home safety checks being undertaken and 12 smoke detectors fitted. Further work with Yorkshire Coast Homes is being planned within the area.

Work is ongoing at two properties after crews were called to two incidents where vulnerability issues were a concern. Adult and Children's Service's and other health agencies are also assisting in alleviating the vulnerability issues highlighted.

3.2.3 Road Safety update

On the 24th and 27th March the Community Safety Officer and fire fighters worked with colleagues from the 95Alive partnership and delivered a Drive Alive-younger driver session at Caedmon School and Malton College respectively, aimed at passenger power, mobile phone use and the consequences of distraction and speed. These are sometimes referred to as the 'Fatal Four'.

A Europe-wide campaign regarding seat belts, coordinated by TISPOL, the European Traffic Police Network took place in March 17. The CSO and 95Alive partners carried out an educational session outside East Whitby School, Whitby. Advice was given to drivers on the correct child car seat choice and fitting and information about the law with regards seat belt use. Leaflets were also given to the school for distribution.

The Community Safety Officer has also attended coffee mornings in Scarborugh at the 'South Cliff Community Group' and in Danby to promote key safety messages to older people. Key Older Drivers road safety messages were delivered working alongside NYCC Road Safety Officers.

Actions have Consequences

As part of the road safety education campaign Scarborough and Ryedale Road Safety Task Group agreed to pilot the delivery of 'Actions have Consequences' aimed at younger road users. The presentation takes approximately one hour, is delivered by a representative of each of the three emergency services, an 18 year old female (Tiffany) who lost her brother in an RTC (an active road

safety advocate) and a member of the road safety team. The four representatives each give an overview of how they feel leading up to attending an RTC, arrival at scene, during the extrication and how they feel and what they do as coping mechanisms post incident. The stories are all different as you will imagine and personal to the individual telling the story, this is the premise of the one session and it seems to have some impact with students as everyone listened intently, eerily silent at times and with some showing emotions. The initial session held at Scarborough's Yorkshire Coast College gained positive feedback, and more importantly it seems the session was pitched at the right level and Tiffany's involvement resonated with the target audience. It is hoped the presentation will gain momentum and attract funding to open it up across the service within other road safety partnerships.

3.2.4 Boat Safety Week

North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service encouraged boat owners and house boat residents in North Yorkshire to be water smart and make fire safety a priority during Boat Fire Safety Week – 29th May – 4th June 2017. Scarborough crews attended Scarborough Harbour on Monday 29th May and on Saturday 3rd June and Whitby crews attended Whitby Harbour on Saturday 3rd June to offer free advice, guidance and fit smoke detectors. Key Safety messages were also put out on social media.

The main points the fire fighters were promoting;

- The fitting of smoke alarms and why
- Carbon Monoxide Detectors
- · Planning an escape route
- How to safely isolate Electrical, Fuel and Liquefied Installations and,
- How to safely store flammable liquids

3.2.5 **District Training Exercise**

On the morning of Saturday the 25th March 2017, 'Exercise Iceberg' took place at Marine Drive, Scarborough. Crews from Scarborough, Filey and Robin Hood's Bay were accompanied by The Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) to simulate a water rescue incident utilising Joint Emergency Services Interoperability Principles (JESIP). MCA initially set up equipment to stabilise the casualties whilst the fire crews set up the Aerial Ladder Platform and Gotcha line rescue equipment to lift the stranded casualties over the sea wall defences to safety.

3.2.6 Response Activity

Filey personnel have been refreshed on Arial Ladder Platform (ALP) emergency response driving, so they can continue to add resilience to the service when the ALP is required at operational incidents when the Scarborough crews are already at the scene. This procedure was tested successfully at a district exercise on the 25 March 2017.

The Emergency First Responder (EFR) scheme attended 35 incidents between Lythe and Pickering in the last 3 months. The scheme at Helmsley is being monitored due to limited activity. The Ambulance Service has recently provided feedback to the brigade following an incident at Lythe. One of our first responders at Lythe was booked off but was informed of a cyclist suffering a heart attack in the village. The firefighter responded and managed a successful resuscitation.

4.0 INCIDENTS OF NOTE

Date: 03/03/2017

Location: A64 Musham Bank

RTC: Two vehicle Road Traffic Collision. One person trapped in one of the vehicles with

unknown injuries. Crews performed a full roof removal and used hydraulic cutting equipment, blocks, small tools and stabilisation equipment, person then

transported to hospital via road ambulance.

Date: 05/03/2017

Location: Cross Lane Hospital

Special service: Crews assisted police with person on roof, who was threatening to jump.

Date: 19/03/2017

Location: Burniston Road, Scarborough

RTC: Single vehicle RTC, two persons trapped. Crews used winch for stabilisation then

used dewault saw and cutting gear to gain access through boot. Persons trapped

had only slight injuries and left with the care of paramedics.

Date: 02/04/2017

Location: Fire Station Yard, Scarborough

Special Service: Crews tended to a casualty who collapsed outside the fire station due to suffering

from a seizure. Crews looked after patient and assisted paramedics until taken to

hospital via road ambulance.

Date: 03/04/2017

Location: St. Nicholas Cliff, Scarborough

Rescue: Fire Service requested by police to attend incident which involved a person on Spa

Bridge. Initially crews were informed only to liaise with police supervisor and negotiator however ALP was then requested to effect a rescue operation. Person

was rescued successfully and care was passed on to police.

Date: 04/04/2017

Location: A171, Fylingthorpe

RTC: Incident involved a two vehicle RTC between a car and an HGV. The driver of the

HGV was out on arrival of fire crews, however two persons were trapped in the vehicle and extricated using hydraulic cutting equipment. Both casualties were in critical condition, one being transported to hospital via road ambulance and the

other via air ambulance.

Date: 15/04/2017

Location: Near Grouse Hill Caravan Park, Sneaton

Fire: Incident involved approximately 30 acres of moorland and woodland on fire.

Crews extinguished fire using beaters, alcon pump and lengths of hose. Cause of

fire was deliberate.

Date: 20/04/2017

Location: Fountayne Road, Filey

<u>Fire:</u> Incident involved wheelie bins on fire to rear of detached bungalow, which resulted

in fire, heat and smoke damage to roof and a rear window, and some smoke damage to interior of the property. Crews extinguished using 2 Breathing Apparatus, 2 Hose Reel Jets, triple ext ladder, roof ladder and Thermal Image

Camera used.

Date: 30/04/2017

Location: Pier Road, Whitby

Fire to roof space of Fish & Chip restaurant causing fire damage to roof and

internal walls. Five fire appliances and an Aerial ladder Platform attended and used, 8 Breathing Apparatus, 1 Main Jet, 1 HR, Thermal Image Camera, lighting

and small tools.

Date: 01/05/2017

Location: Pier Road, Whitby

Fire: Flames from roof of restaurant. Five fire appliances and an Aerial ladder Platform

attended and used 8 Breathing Apparatus, 1 Main Jet, 1 HR, Thermal Image

Camera, lighting and small tools used.

Date: 14/05/2017

Location: Burniston Road, Scarborough

RTC: Two-vehicle Road Traffic Collision. One driver was trapped and safely rescued by

crews using rescue equipment from TRV and transported to hospital via road

ambulance.

Date: 14/05/2017

Location: Holbeck Road, Scarborough

Road Traffic Collision involving an ambulance and car. Driver of the vehicle was

uninjured however the passenger suffered injuries and was released from the vehicle via roof removal. Crews used hydraulic cutting equipment, chocks, blocks,

small tools, airbag cover and sharps kit.

Date: 29/05/2017

Location: New Quay Road, Whitby

Water Rescue: Two man fishing boat sinking in harbour. Crews worked with the harbour master

and the coast guard to stabilise the boat and prevented it from sinking.

5.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 That Members note the activities that have taken place.

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