



Pontycymmer Community Fire Station Business Plan Overview

Introduction:

The Directorate leadership team has set 5 areas of prioritising its activities. These are

- Reduce Deaths and Injuries
- Reduce arson incidents
- Reduce Road Traffic Collisions
- Reduce Environmental Impact
- Increase the safety of our staff

Overview of Performance for 2009/10:

Station availability increased from 93% to
xx number of HFSC's were completed
xx KS 1 School visits were completed
xx KS 2 School visits were completed
x 3x pump exercises were completed

Top 5 Achievements in 2009/10:

Equality and Diversity:

The South Wales Fire Service wishes to secure genuine equality of opportunity in all aspects of its activities as a employer/potential employer and to this end has adopted a policy to ensure the fair treatment of all.

Personnel at the station will identify through local knowledge individuals in under represented groups within the local community and encourage them to contact the Recruitment Team/Retained Management Team.

The identification of suitable candidates to station needs for employment will be on going to fill vacancies as and when necessary.

Welsh Language:

Welsh Language The Welsh language Act 1993 establishes the principle that the Welsh and English languages should be treated equally when conducting public business and administration in Wales. Under the terms of the Act, South Wales Fire Authority is obliged to produce a Welsh Language Scheme which gives details how it will provide bilingual services to the communities it serves. Every member of staff has a role to play in ensuring that we provide the best quality bilingual service we can. If requested, any home fire safety or school visit will be conducted in the Welsh language.

Sustainable Development:



Sustainable Development In discharging the Service's aims and objectives, consideration will be given to minimising the negative impact we have on our natural environment as a result of our activities.

Personnel will ensure every effort is made to recycle unwanted materials and waste generated on station. The Station has nominated one member of staff whose role will be to over see all recycling and energy saving activities (Green champion). Gas, electricity, and water consumption will be monitored and station personnel will aim to achieve a reduction in use of all services over the course of the year.

Budgetary and Resource Implications:

Efficiency Gains:

Geographical Risk Profile:

Pontycymmer Station is located in Victoria Street, Pontycymmer and serves the communities within the Garw Valley, an area which extends from Blaengarw to the north and Bettws and Llangeinor to the south, an are of approximately 10 square miles and contains a population of roughly 7,631 people.

The main risks within the stations area are; two large factories, one residential home, five schools, one leisure centre, two community centres and extensive forestry and grasslands, in addition two small shopping areas in Pontycymmer and Blaengarw. The residential area is spread on both sides of the valley to Llangeinor and Bettws. At the foot of the valley there are additional risks, namely; two industrial estates, one large comprehensive school, two residential homes and a Country House with wooded parkland.

Predominant risks and activities requiring rapid intervention are in the main Grass/Mountain fires with other incidents requiring less attendance but within a 10% variance of each other.

A very small percentage of the population (1%) is made up of black, minority and ethnic groups with between 10% and 20% of the general population that speak or partially speak Welsh (2001 census/Welsh Language Board).

Number of Dwellings in Station Area:

Number of HFSC's completed in Total Prior to April 2010:

% Dwellings in Station Area Received HFSC since HFC's Commenced:

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