



Treorchy Community Fire Station business plan Overview

Introduction:

The Directorate leadership team has set five areas for prioritising its activities. These are to:

- 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:

Predominant risks and activities requiring rapid intervention are in the main Grass/Mountain fires and road traffic collisions (RTCs) occurring on the rural roads surrounding the station area.

Treorchy Fire Station has shown a sustained improvement and continues to make progress in identified areas of the 2009/2010 Business plan.

Key performance figures substantiate improved performance and are contained within this Station Improvement plan

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:

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. At present there are two members of staff at Treorchy Fire Station able to undertake such visits using the Welsh Language. South Wales Fire Service offers an excellent package for those members of staff who wish to learn Welsh.

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. Separate bins have been provided to facilitate maximum recycling. Treorchy 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 5% reduction in use of all services over the same period last year.

Staff at Treorchy station are aware of the impact t fire brigade activities can have on the natural environment. Station personnel will carryout assessments on areas identified as being sensitive to fire service activities to reduce any such negative impact.

Budgetary and Resource Implications:

Efficiency Gains:

Geographical Risk Profile:

The current Fire Station in Treorchy was built in 1973 and is situated just of Bute Street. The Station serves the main town of Treorchy and surrounding villages.

The estimated population of the station area is approximately 30,000. The Fire Station serves a diverse range of industrial, business and residential areas; one large hospital, several Nursing/Residential homes, community centres and theatres and cinemas.

The Station also serves a number of main and mountain roads; the A4061 runs from the Bwlch Mountain, up through Ynyswen and Treherbert to the Rhigos mountain.

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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