



## Station 25 Treharris Overview

### Introduction:

Treharris is a small town in the very south of the Welsh county borough of Merthyr Tydfil, Glamorgan in Wales, United Kingdom. It is located around 1 km west of Trelewis, from which it is separated by the Taff Bargoed river. It is widely regarded as the water leakage detection capital of Wales, as many employees of local water companies are sourced from the town.

Today Treharris has a population of 850-1000 (2001 Census). The community was formed around Harris's Navigation Colliery, which begun coal mining excavations in 1878. The colliery and village were named after F. W. Harris and his Harris Navigation Steam Coal Company. Ownership transferred to the Ocean Coal Co. Ltd. in 1893 - so called because the pit supplied the coal for the transatlantic ocean liners, including the Cunard Line. The pit became known as Deep Navigation Colliery and remained in production until 1991. Treharris has the oldest Boys and Girls club in the whole of the United Kingdom.

Treharris Athletic is the local football (soccer) team, once winners of the Western League in 1910, who now ply their trade in the Welsh Football League.

During the early 21st century, like many ex-mining villages in the area, Treharris underwent significant regeneration to the town/village centre. Most, if not all of the land where Deep Navigation was situated has been landscaped and is now part of the new 'Millenium Park', where many of the local football and rugby teams play and train.

Treharris now has a one way system through the town centre (Fox Street).

Treharris once had a diverse range of shops located in the main town. Over the years, many of these shops have closed down, with many fast food shops replacing them.

### Overview of Performance for 2009/10:

Treharris Fire & Rescue Station has shown a sustained improvement and continues to make progress in identified areas of the 2009/10 Business plan over the last 12 months. Key performance figures substantiate improved performance and are contained within this Station Service Plan.

### Top 5 Achievements in 2009/10:

1. An improvement in appliance availability.
2. All community safety targets achieved.



### **Equality and Diversity:**

Station personnel will actively promote SWFRS's equality and diversity policy. Under-represented groups will be engaged with and initiatives put in place to ensure SWFRS not only reduces risk to these communities but also seeks to recruit from these groups

### **Welsh Language:**

The Directorate is dedicated to the aims and objectives of the South Wales Fire and Rescue Service Welsh Language Scheme 2007-2010. In particular we will endeavour to identify and engage with the Welsh-speaking residents of our communities.

All station personnel will be encouraged to learn the Welsh Language and we aim to have at least one new person enrolling on a Welsh Language course this year.

### **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.

The station is looking to reduce gas and electric consumption by 5% on its 2009/10 figures. A 'green champion' will be appointed to identify suitable ideas and take forward these initiatives. All station waste that can be re-cycled will be collected for this purpose and arrangements made for re-cycling.

### **Budgetary and Resource Implications:**

#### **Efficiency Gains:**

#### **Geographical Risk Profile:**

Predominant risks and activities requiring rapid intervention are in the main Grass/Mountain fires, Road Traffic Collisions, due to active road networks. Other incidents are varied and range from animal rescues to attendance of Fire Alarm actuations.

#### **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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