

STRATHCLYDE
FIRE & RESCUE



LANARK FIRE STATION
STATION PLAN
2006 / 2007





INTRODUCTION

This station plan forms an integral part of the South Lanarkshire Area Plan, Community Safety Plan and the wider Community Safety Strategy. It will provide a targeted programme designed to assist all members of the community in creating a safer society consistent with the ideals of the Strathclyde Fire and Rescue Service “*Vision 2015*”.

The Station Plan will also record issues relating to station personnel, their development and station requirements to ensure optimum service delivery.

Aim

To Improve Service Delivery we will more effectively:-

- Manage Attendance
- Identify training needs
- Implement risk reduction measures
- Develop Personnel
- Maintain Operational Competencies

To reduce the number of fires in the station area in the following categories:-

- Accidental dwelling fire deaths.
- Serious non-fatal casualties from fire.
- Accidental dwelling fires.
- Reduction of secondary fires

To work towards a reduction in the number of: -

- Unwanted fire signals.
- Malicious calls.
- Incidence of wilful fire raising.
- Anti Social Behaviour i.e. attacks on fire crews, hydrant abuse
- RTC's

All of which will contribute to the overall SFR Performance Management and Reporting Framework.



COMMUNITY AND SERVICE OBJECTIVES

1. Reduce Accidental Dwelling fires in station areas:

- Reduce Accidental Dwelling fires in the station area;
- Reduce fatalities in accidental dwelling fires;
- Reduce casualties in accidental dwelling fires;
- Conduct Home Fire Safety Visits (HFSV) in response to referrals;
- Post flyers in target areas;
- Use the media to highlight the availability of this service;
- Raising community awareness through community events in the station area;
- Liase with Community Safety Partnerships.

2. Reduce the incidence of anti-social behaviour:

- Identify target areas within the station ground;
- Implement a programme of education in schools;
- Liase with local media;
- Liase with police, Local Authority Partners and Youth Groups.

3. Reduce the number of Road Traffic Collisions within the station area:

- Liase with Police and Local Authority;
- Liase with Community Safety Partnership Road Safety.

4. Reduce the number of unwanted fire signals:

- Highlight areas of concern, number of incidents – track, record data;
- Establish contacts with businesses concerned;
- Target high offender's i.e. Hospitals, Care Homes, Young Peoples Accommodations.
- Regular meetings with the management of high offending premises;
- Any other activities in line with Strathclyde Fire & Rescue Policies.



USEFUL CONTACTS

- Community Safety Partnerships; Clydesdale Problem Solving Group.
- Clydesdale PSG (Young persons-Sub Group)
- Youth Groups in Station Area; Universal Connections
- Strategic Youth Development Officer SFR HQ (Alistair MacIntosh)
- Drug and Alcohol Awareness Team (DAAT)
- Schools
- Social Services
- SLC Housing (01555-673000)
- Police (01555-552400)
- Age Concern
- Care and Repair Service (01555-666200)
- Local Councillors: Cllr McNeill, Cllr Reilly, Cllr Gaud, Cllr Gray, Cllr Rush
- FRS Co-ordinators (Allison Gibb 01555- TBA)
- Community Firefighters (TBA)
- Area CFS Legislative Offices (01698-338360)
- CCTV provider, Streetwatch etc.
- Sensory Impairment Team



Station Manager Martin Millar – Tel 01555-662222, mobile 07770-823912.



LIVING IN LANARK: COMMUNITY PROFILE

The station provides fire cover for a large geographical area, located on the southern side of SFR area. Situated in South Lanarkshire Council area it provides cover throughout 4+ council wards. Lanark is a blend of a market town centre, small industrial/retail estates, and has a “World Heritage Site” in New Lanark, this being a major tourist attraction. Housing is mixed, with council tenancy being semi-detached/terraced and low-rise properties. Recent months have seen expansion of the already significant private housing sector with further development identified in the Local Plan.

Last year, 2004/2005, the station attended 325 incidents. (This figure does not reflect the support given by station appliances and personnel to the surrounding retained station grounds). Fifty-one reportable fires, seventy secondary fires and one hundred and thirty-one attendances at AFA calls made up the bulk of this activity. The attendance at road traffic accidents remains a significant aspect of station activity with this area of South Lanarkshire. The resulting fatalities and casualties are statistically important in future partnership planning considerations.

POPULATION

The station area population in 2001 (Census 2001) was 16,453. The economic activity figures put against the area employment figures indicate a transient workforce travelling some distances to employment in other areas of South Lanarkshire or further.

AGE

The area has 3,068 (19%) children, with over 13% of the population being of school age in the 5-16 year banding. The proportion of people above pensionable age within the whole area is just under 16%, higher than the SLC area average.

ETHNICITY

The area has a much lower than average proportion of minority ethnic groups within its population, only 0.7% population.

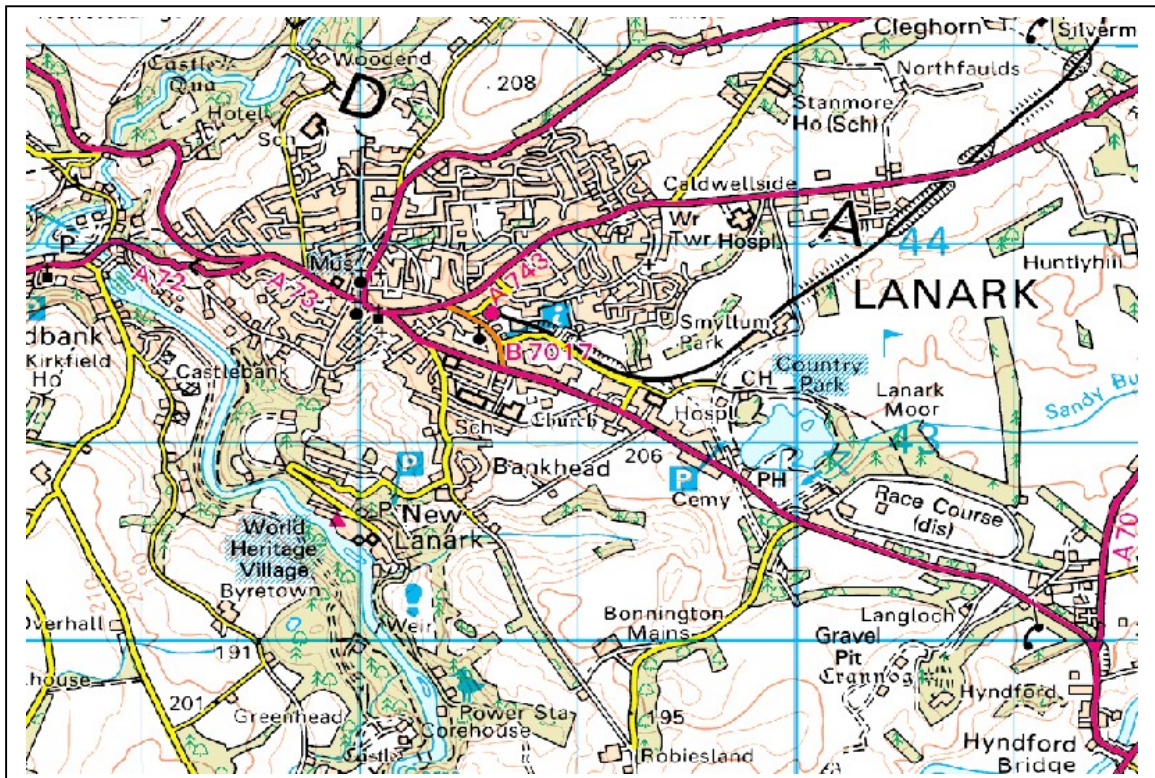
EMPLOYMENT

The main employers within Lanark Town are the Service Sector, manufacturing and industrial companies, who employ over 3,300 people. The 2.2% unemployment is below the National average.



OTHER SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

- Community Safety Partnership - Scottish Executive
- South Lanarkshire Community Planning Partnership
- Census 2001
- Strathclyde Police Public Performance Report 2004/2005
- South Lanarkshire Local Plan
- Age Concerns Development Plan 2001 –2005 (To promote the wellbeing of older people)
- National Community Fire Safety Centre – Toolkit
- SFRS MIS Wizards



Geographical extract from Strathclyde FRS Vehicle Mounted Data System.



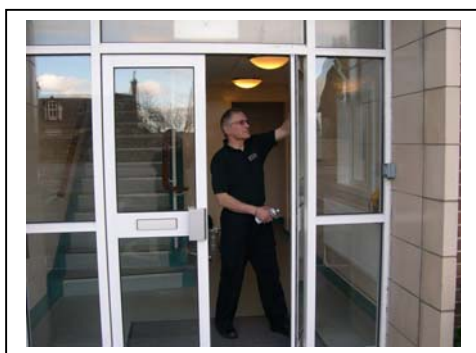
FIRE STATION PROFILE: LANARK P04

Lanark Fire Station comprises of thirty-eight operational firefighters crewing two fire appliances. Twenty-eight personnel work a four watch system, Red, White, Blue and Green. In addition there are a further ten firefighters who work the retained duty system, providing an additional resource when required. This being on a part-time basis combined with their other full-time employment and being called to duty by pager alert.

These Watches and the retained firefighters ensure that Strathclyde FRS resources are available 24 hours of the day 365 days a year.



Supervising all activities is the Station Manager, with station administrative staff, catering staff and general assistant, providing further support.



In combination all personnel unite to serve Lanark and the surrounding communities with fire cover consistent with the Service Integrated Risk Management demands.



FIRE STATION PROFILE: LANARK P04 (continued)

This fire cover extends to property fires, forest and grass fires, road accidents, rescues of many varieties and responses to alarm system calls both commercial and domestic. The activity types are illustrated in the statistical information (below).

Complimentary to the operational activity are our Community Fire Safety duties. The FRS is committed to proactively addressing the causes of fires, the injuries and damage that result and driving down the frequency of such occurrences.

We can do this by carrying out Home Fire Safety Visits (HFSV), recognising risks in the home which if unchanged may result in fire. These visits are free and may include smoke alarm installation where the need arises.

Partnership working is vital to our success and we are engaged with many partners at present. We are working with the Local Authority, Strathclyde Police, Local Charities, Groups representing vulnerable people all in an effort to reduce, in our area, the serious and sometimes tragic events that form part of our work.



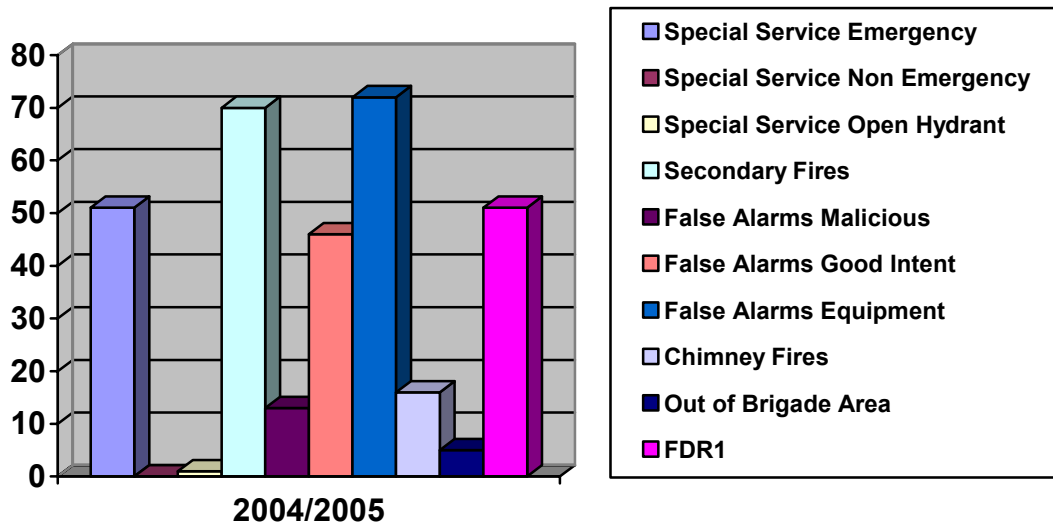
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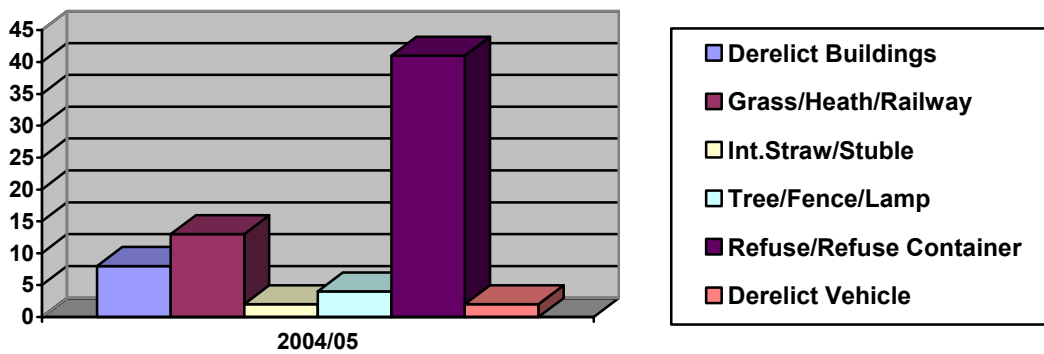
STATISTICS

Lanark Fire Station was called upon to attend incidents within the area on 325 occasions in the year 2004/2005.

The variety of incidents is demonstrated in the table below

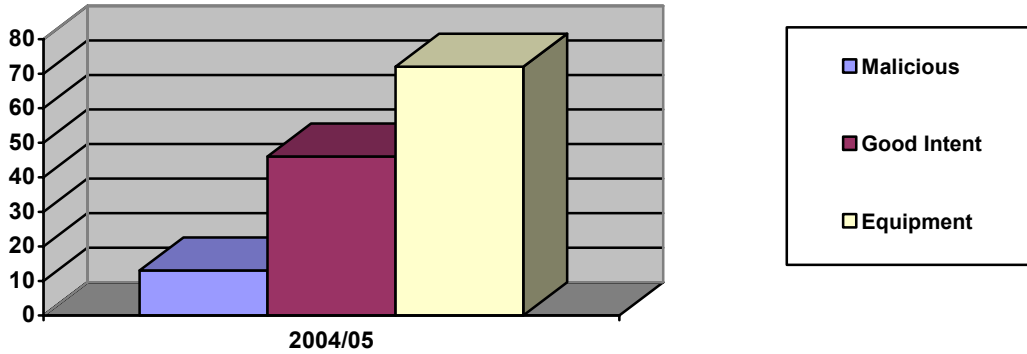


TOTAL INCIDENT 2004/05



TOTAL SECONDARY FIRES 2004/05

STATISTICS (continued)



TOTAL FALSE ALARMS 2004/05

Note: FDR1 – Fire Damage Reports e.g. Fire in properties, car fires etc.
 Special Services Emergency – Property flooding, road traffic collisions etc.



	OBJECTIVE	RESPONSIBILITY	TARGET DATE
1	<p>Reduce Accidental Dwelling fires by 2%.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase ownership of smoke alarms through Home Fire Safety Visits. • Conduct HFSV's in response to referrals. • Raise awareness of the availability of HFSV's in target areas. Build partnerships with agencies to focus HFSV and Smoke alarm ownership. 	<p>All Station Personnel</p> <p>Station Manager</p>	<p>Start April 2006</p> <p>Review Monthly</p> <p>Annual Audit</p>
2	<p>Reduce Anti Social Behaviour such as: Attacks on Crews, deliberate fire setting, malicious calls and hydrant abuse.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise awareness of negative factors associated with these issues during school visits etc. • Reduce number of deliberately set fires by 3%. 	<p>Station Manager to liase with partnership organisations.</p> <p>All Station Personnel</p>	<p>Start April 2006</p> <p>Review Quarterly</p> <p>Annual Audit</p>
3	<p>Reduce the number of RTC's. The roads in this station area are classified as high risk e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A70, A71, A72 • A706, A721, A723 • Liase with Police and local authorities • Improve statistical collection and analysis <p>Provide educational support programme for potential young drivers.</p>	<p>Station Manager</p> <p>Partnership organisations</p> <p>All Station personnel</p>	<p>Start April 2006</p> <p>Review Quarterly</p> <p>Annual Audit</p>
4	<p>Reduce the number of Unwanted Fire Signals by 4%.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter into discussion and agreement with management and staff of the identified businesses/domestic users. • Induction and regular talks in student accommodations. 	<p>Station Manager</p> <p>Watch Managers</p> <p>All Station Personnel</p>	<p>Start Jan 2006</p> <p>Review Monthly</p> <p>Annual Audit</p>



	OBJECTIVE	RESPONSIBILITY	TARGET DATE
1	Compile Community Risk register Review 11d & ORA files Review Monthly Annual Audit	Group Manager CFS Station Manager	Start April 2006 Finish April 2007
2	Agree Risk Register & priority with Area Commander Review Quarterly Annual Audit	Area Manager Group Manager CFS Group Manager Ops Station Manager	Start April 2006 Finish April 2007
3	Ensure appropriate ops response to each risk PDA Review Review Quarterly Annual Audit	Group Manager Ops Station Manager Watch Managers	Start April 2006 Finish April 2007
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	OBJECTIVE	RESPONSIBILITY	TARGET DATE
1	Agree areas of priority in terms of spending for fiscal year Review Monthly Annual Audit	Station Manager Watch Managers	Start April 2006 Finish April 2007
2	Investigate areas of overspend in past year and redress situation Review Quarterly Annual Audit	Station Manager	Start April 2006 Finish April 2007
3	Monitor stock levels and efficiency measures to identify improvements Review Quarterly Annual Audit	Station Manager SSA Conduct Quarterly Audit	Start April 2006 Finish April 2007
4	Investigate use of petty cash account and integrity of system of reimbursement Review Monthly Annual Audit	Station Manager SSA	Start April 2006 Finish April 2007



NO	OBJECTIVE	RESPONSIBILITY	TARGET DATE
1	Agree PDP with all staff undergoing development Communicate IPDS PDR Pro system to personnel Review Monthly Annual Audit	Station Manager Watch Managers	Start April 2006 Finish April 2007
2	Arrange realistic training events. Identify suitable local sites, progress risk assessments. Review Quarterly Annual Audit	Station Manager Watch Managers	Start April 2006 Finish April 2007
3	Arrange training for risks in community risk register Review Quarterly Annual Audit	Station Manager Watch Managers	Start April 2006 Finish April 2007
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NO	OBJECTIVE	RESPONSIBILITY	TARGET DATE
1	Review Station Vehicle Requirements Review Monthly Annual Audit	Station Manager Watch Manager Blue	Start April 2006 Finish 2007
2	Complete annual property audit Review Quarterly Annual Audit	Station Manager Watch Manager Red	Start April 2006 Finish April 2007
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NO	OBJECTIVE	RESPONSIBILITY	TARGET DATE
1	Ensure staff numbers are adequate on each watch to maintain crewing levels Review Monthly Annual Audit	Group Manager Dev Station Manager	Start Jan 2006 Finish April 2007
2	Ensure adequate support personnel supervision Review Monthly Annual Audit	Station Manager	Start April 2006 Finish April 2007
3	Monitor Sickness levels Arrange welfare interviews Review Monthly Annual Audit	Station Manager	Start Jan 2006 Finish April 2007
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NO	OBJECTIVE	RESPONSIBILITY	TARGET DATE
1	Arrange & Chair annual H&S meeting Review Quarterly Annual Audit	Station Manager Watch Manager	Start Jan 2006 Finish April 2007
2	Ensure performance management methodology is being implemented Review Monthly Annual Audit	Station Manager	Start Jan 2006 Finish April 2007
3	Carry out Best Value audit of station staffing / OT Review Quarterly Annual Audit	Station Manager	Start Jan 2006 Finish April 2007
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**STATION PLAN
INITIATION PRO-FORMA**

Station Name _____ No _____ Area _____
 Initiative _____ Subject _____
 Date _____

<u>Reason for Initiative</u>		
<u>Number of Incidents</u> (Statistical data if applicable)	Data Period	
e.g.	From:	To:
MIS Wizard Data:-		
FSEC Risk Data :-		
Station Log Data:-		
Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) Data:-		
Other Relevant Evidence:-		

<u>Plan for Implementing Initiative</u>				
		Target Period	Print Name	Completed Date
STAGE 1	(eg pre-planning)			
STAGE 2	(eg practical implementation)			
STAGE 3	(eg evaluation, Audit, Reporting)			

<u>Resources Required</u>	Availability Confirmed

STATION PLAN
EVALUATION / MONITORING PRO-FORMA

Station Name _____ No _____ Area _____

Initiative Name _____ Subject _____

Initiative Date From _____ To _____ Evaluation Date _____

Reason for Initiative

<u>Number of Incidents</u> (Statistical data at end of evaluation period)	Data Period	
e.g.	From:	To:
MIS Wizard Data:-		
FSEC Risk Data :-		
Station Log Data:-		
Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation:-		
Other Relevant Evidence:-		

Outcomes of Initiative

Positive Outcomes:

Negative Outcomes:

<u>Plan Result</u>	(tick appropriate box(es))		
Successful (completed)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Successful & Continue	<input type="checkbox"/>
Successful & use again	<input type="checkbox"/>	Part successful	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recommend to others	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unsuccessful	<input type="checkbox"/>

Station Evaluation	Print Name	Date
Area Evaluation	Print Name	Date
Service Evaluation	Print Name	Date

This form is part of the Plan Evaluation / Audit Procedure *