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Hartlepool District Performance April - December 2024/25



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Hartlepool lies to the north of Cleveland Fire Authority area and consists of 12 local wards. These wards range from areas of high social deprivation to areas of executive housing. The current population of this area is 93,861 living in 45,337 dwellings.

Specific risks within the District include: A19, Hartlepool Power Station, Marina Development, Retail Parks and Light Engineering, Middleton Grange Shopping Centre, Dock Area and University of Hartlepool Hospital.

Indicator	2024/25	Direction of Travel 2023/24 - 2024/25	% Change
Total Fires	736	Increased	3%
Total Deliberate Fires	634	Increased	2%
Deliberate Primary Fires	55	Decreased	-21%
Deliberate Secondary Fires	579	Increased	5%
Accidental Dwelling Fires	25	Increased	25%
Accidental Dwelling Fire Fatalities	0	Static	-
Accidental Dwelling Fire Injuries	2	Increased	100%

SAFER HOMES

- 62% Coverage across the Hartlepool area
- 808 smoke alarms fitted
- 2,405 visits completed April to December 2024
- 379 referrals to external agencies for support

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- The Brigade Road and Water Safety Officer attended the crucial crew event in Hartlepool, where they engaged with approximately 450 Year 5 and Year 6 Primary school students from across the Hartlepool area.
- As part of World Mental Health Day, our community advocate in Hartlepool delivered prevention advice to 50 attendees at the Centre for Independent Living. The event was also attended by social services to ensure that we are providing equality of access for these hard to reach members of the community.

CURRENT AND EMERGING ISSUES

Accidental Dwelling Fires

The number of accidental dwelling fires has risen 25% between April and December 2024 when compared to 2023 increasing from 20 to 25. The safety of all residents is the Brigades top priority and measures are in place to tackle this issue including targeted Safer Homes Visits and tailored education.

Accidental Dwelling Fire Injuries

The number of accidental dwelling fire injuries in Hartlepool District increased from 0 in 2023 (April to December) to 2 in 2024. Work continues to make residents as safe as possible in their homes and the Brigade have stringent attendance times which ensure that all house fires have an appliance in attendance within 7 minutes to minimize any damages including injury.

HOTSPOT DATA

- The top 5 wards in Hartlepool for all fire incidents between April and December 2024 accumulatively accounted for 68% of fires across the district.
- De Bruce was the highest ward with 112 fires of which 102 (91%) were deemed as deliberate.

Ward	Number of Fires
De Bruce	112
Burn Valley	109
Rossmere	101
Headland and Harbour	91
Manor House	85

SERVICE INFORMATION

Safer Homes

We offer Safer Homes Visits face to face, over the phone or virtual via TEAMS/ZOOM. For more details contact 01429 874063.

Advocates

We have a team of advocates and Home Safety Officers with special training to support vulnerable adults in our community. To find out more email advocates@clevelandfire.gov.uk

Fire Education

Our fire education team work with youngsters who are at risk of starting fires to educate them about the dangers and consequences of fires. To find out more email fsi@clevelandfire.gov.uk

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