## **QUARTER**



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## Hartlepool District Performance April - June 2025/26



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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	2025/26	Direction of Travel 2024/25 - 2025/26	% Change
Total Fires	365	Increased	65%
Total Deliberate Fires	305	Increased	65%
Deliberate Primary Fires	27	Increased	93%
Deliberate Secondary Fires	278	Increased	63%
Accidental Dwelling Fires	13	Increased	86%
Accidental Dwelling Fire Fatalities	0	-	-
Accidental Dwelling Fire Injuries	1	-	-

### **SAFER HOMES**

- 62% Coverage across the Hartlepool area
- 113 smoke alarms fitted
- 722 visits completed April to June 2025.
- 89 referrals to external agencies for support

### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

In April, our Hartlepool crews took the opportunity to get involved with local Easter Fayres.

Hartlepool White Watch had the chance to speak with children and teenagers about the dangers of starting fires, and how this impacts not just the fire service, but the whole community.

We look forward to continuing to work with our local partners, FC Hartlepool, on more of this important engagement work which helps keep our community safe.

### **CURRENT AND EMERGING ISSUES**

### **Accidental Dwelling Fires**

The number of accidental dwelling fires increased by 86% between April and June 2025 compared to the same period in 2024/25, rising from 7 to 13 incidents. Ensuring the safety of all residents remains the Brigade's top priority. In response, targeted Safer Homes Visits and tailored educational initiatives have been implemented to address this issue and help prevent future incidents.

### **Deliberate Primary Fires**

During Q1, the number of deliberate primary fires in the district increased by 93% year on year, rising from 14 incidents in this quarter of 2024/25 to 27 in 2025/26. The Brigade remains committed to addressing this issue through targeted prevention efforts and community engagement.

### **HOTSPOT DATA**

- The top 5 wards in Hartlepool for all fire incidents between April and June 2025 accumulatively accounted for 63% of fires across the district.
- Headland & Harbour was the highest ward with 59 fires, of which 51 (86%) were deemed as deliberate.

Ward	Number of Fires
Headland & Harbour	59
Rossmere	58
De Bruce	45
Manor House	37
Fens & Greatham	31

### **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