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Hartlepool District Performance April - March 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	851	Decreased	-9%
Total Deliberate Fires	696	Decreased	-15%
Deliberate Primary Fires	78	Increased	3%
Deliberate Secondary Fires	618	Decreased	-17%
Accidental Dwelling Fires	37	Increased	16%
Accidental Dwelling Fire Fatalities	1	-	-
Accidental Dwelling Fire Injuries	1	Decreased	-50%

SAFER HOMES

- 64% Coverage across the Hartlepool area
- 2142 visits completed

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

In March, members of CFB attended the Community Connect Cafe at Stranton Primary School.

The aim of the cafe is to help families feel more confident in accessing support by connecting them with the right services early. The focus is on signposting, building supportive networks, and strengthening relationships with the local community.

The event was a great success, and was a great way to bring the community together.

CURRENT AND EMERGING ISSUES

Accidental Dwelling Fires

The number of accidental dwelling fires increased by 16% between April and March 2026 compared to the same period in 2024/25. 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 Q4, the number of deliberate primary fires in the district increased slightly by 3% year on year. 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 March 2026 accumulatively accounted for 64% of fires across the district.
- Rossmere was the highest ward with 147 fires, of which 131 (89%) were deemed as deliberate.

Ward	Number of Fires
Rossmere	147
Manor House	112
De Bruce	102
Headland & Harbour	101
Burn Valley	83

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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