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## Redcar District Performance April - June 2024/25



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Redcar and Cleveland lies to the east of Cleveland Fire Authority area and consists of 24 local wards. These wards range from large built up areas to small rural villages backing onto heavy industry. The current population of this area is 136,616 living in 66,223 dwellings.

Specific risks within the district include: A66, A174, A171, Wilton International Site, Boulby Potash and PD Ports Teesport.

Indicator	2024/25	Direction of Travel 2023/24 - 2024/25	% Change
Total Fires	315	Increased	3%
Total Deliberate Fires	262	Increased	13%
Deliberate Primary Fires	26	Decreased	-10%
Deliberate Secondary Fires	236	Increased	17%
Accidental Dwelling Fires	16	Increased	14%
Accidental Dwelling Fire Fatalities	0	Static	%
Accidental Dwelling Fire Injuries	0	Static	%

### SAFER HOMES

- 65% Coverage across the Brigade area
- 1,215 smoke alarms fitted
- 1,436 visits completed
- In excess of 260 referrals to external agencies for assistance

### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- Multi agency visits were carried out with Neighbourhood Safety Officers for Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council as a result of ongoing problems with deliberate fire setting around Wilton Avenue and Armitage Road. This resulted in 3 separate areas of fly tipping being removed by council cleaning teams and promoted community cohesion through increased visibility of services.
- There was a community skip event in Britannia Place Dormanstown where 4 tons of household refuse were placed into a skip followed by a community litter pick with South Gare litter picking group. This event ensured that litter was removed to improve the local environment and deter deliberate fire setting by removing fuel.

## CURRENT AND EMERGING ISSUES

### Deliberate Secondary Fires

Residents were urged during the Easter and May school breaks to help prevent small fires by reducing litter, choosing picnics over barbeques and reporting any suspicious behaviours.

Between April and June 2024 there was a 17% increase in deliberate secondary fires in Redcar & Cleveland rising from 202 in 2023 to 236.

### Accidental Dwelling Fires

The number of accidental dwelling fires has rose between April and June 2024 when compared to 2023 increasing by 14% from 14 to 16. 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.

## HOTSPOT DATA

- The top 5 wards for all fire incidents between April and June 2024 accumulatively accounted for 59% of fires across the district.
- Grangetown had the highest level of fire incidents with 51 of which 50 (98%) were deliberate.

Ward	Number of Fires
Grangetown	51
South Bank	45
Dormanstown	37
Eston	33
Kirkleatham	21

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:fsi@clevelandfire.gov.uk)

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