

## Resident Experience Board Thursday 2 February 2017

# Surrey Fire and Rescue Service Fire and Road Traffic Collison Prevention

**Purpose of the report:** To outline the activities of the Surrey Fire and Rescue Service Prevention activity relating to Road Traffic Collisions.

## Introduction:

- 1. Surrey Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) has a statutory requirement under the Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004 to advise and educate the public to prevent fire and other emergencies from occurring.
- 2. SFRS Prevention (Community Safety) work with as part of the <u>Drive</u>
  <u>Smart</u> and other <u>multi-agency</u> partnerships to improve community safety awareness and reduce road traffic collision incidents.
- 3. The SFRS prevention team works to developing and implementing youth engagement and road traffic community safety activities supported by other prevention staff, multi-agency partners, volunteers and operations staff on fire stations.
- 4. SFRS Prevention teams work regionally with other fire and rescue service colleagues and partner agencies to deliver the Chief Fire Officers Association (CFOA) and national campaigns objectives.

## Risk profile and mitigation

- 5. Surrey has a growing and aging population. <u>Census</u> data indicates a population of just under 1.2 million with 18% over 65, 62% between the ages of 16 and 64 and 20% under 16.
- 6. Surrey has <u>3452 miles</u> of road network that carry approximately twice the national average number of vehicles.
- 7. <u>Surreyi</u> indicates that there are approximately 69,000 active businesses contributing to the Surrey economic value of £37.5 billion, which is 16% of the total South East economy which is supported by the road network.

- 8. The Surreyi statistics indicate that there are 679 <u>killed</u> or seriously injured casualties on surreys road network in 2015.(Data) (KSI Definition)
- 9. Working nationally, regionally and locally in line with Government prevention campaigns, the Prevention teams meet the needs of the Surrey community while delivering the national community safety objectives.

## **Prevention (Community Safety)**

- 10. SFRS work with the Drive Smart board and other multi-agency partners to improve road safety in surrey.
- 11. <u>Safe Drive Stay Alive</u> has seen 126,000 potential young drivers over the last 10 years and been recognised with national awards.
- 12. The academic studies by University of Swansea and has indicated the effectiveness of influencing attendee's behaviour's in relation to driving.
- 13. An independent evaluation of Safe Drive Stay Alive by Road Safety Analysis show a positive change in potential young driver's behaviour and attitude to safer driving.
- 14. Ride it Right focusses on the growing issue of two wheel vehicle accidents.
- 15. Biker Down, started in 2015, focusses on two wheel vehicle accidents and the management of the scene and providing emergency care at the scene to other motor bike riders.
- 16. Local support for road safety awareness days is managed by the commanders in the boroughs, e.g. speed awareness days.
- 17. Prevention activity is substantially financed by sponsorship raised by managers from corporate, public sector and private donations.
  - 17.1 Safe Drive Stay Alive £1.04 million (2005 to date)

#### **Conclusions:**

- 18. The staff within the protection team provide road safety prevention as part of a wide range of services to approximately 1.2 million residents and 69,000 businesses in Surrey across a diverse spectrum of risk.
- The teams are risk focused using data and multi-agency partnership working to deliver targeted prevention services to those most in need or at risk.
- 20. Sponsorship funding streams are a key part of maintaining the service provision to the community.

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21. Multi agency working continues to be an essential part of Making Every

Contact Count when delivering Prevention services.

## Recommendations:

- 22. The Resident Experience Board continue to support the activities of the prevention team to;
  - a) Deliver the Drive Smart partnership objectives
  - b) Work in line with the national campaigns, Fire as a Health Asset and CFOA prevention guidance in multi-agency partnerships to improve community safety and wellbeing in Surrey. (<u>Safe Drive Stay Alive</u>, Ride It Right, Biker Down)
  - c) Continue to work nationally and regionally to inform best practice that reduces risks to the community and fire fighters
  - d) Continue to work regionally to improve efficiencies through resource sharing and collaboration with partner and voluntary agencies
  - e) Continue to advise and educate the community, partners and stakeholders based on identified best practice and data analysis.
  - f) Generate sponsorship income to support the delivery of Prevention services to the community
  - g) Continually review prevention resources to ensure effective and efficient service is delivered to meet changing community safety and wellbeing need

## Next steps:

To provide updates to the Resident Experience Board as required.

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## Sources/background papers - relevant legislation:

- 1. Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004
- 2. The Localism Act 2011
- 3. Data Protection Act 1998
- 4. Public Safety Plan 2016-2025

- 5. Community Risk Profile
- 6. Sir Ken Knight report facing the future: Findings from the review of efficiencies and operations in fire and rescue authorities in England May 2013
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- 8. Public Safety Plan 2011-20209. <u>Draft-PSP-2016-2025</u>
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