

Joint Durham & Darlington

Bonfire Delivery Plan

DATA GATHERING

TOOL 2021

Safest People, Safest Places



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1.0 Publicity & Communications	Action allocations start / concluded dates
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	Activity	Actioned by	Notes	Outcomes and Lessons Learned
1.1	Keep in the Know – key Safety and Arson Reduction messages to be delivered on this platform.	Police, DCC, DBC & CDDFRS	Partner agencies to utilize social media platforms to maintain a 'fresh and updated feel' to safety messages.	<p>Key safety / arson reduction messages were made into online graphics to be delivered on social media. These graphics were also shared with partners.</p> <p>Videos of these graphics were created for schools for the ART.</p> <p>The Bonfire code was also made into 2 videos from crews and a leaflet was provided to the ART for schools.</p> <p>https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=594604641689951</p> <p>https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=255148283302545</p> <p>https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=683883889186675 – We published our bonfire stats on the 8th of November to keep people in the know. It was also closed with Firestoppers messaging.</p>
1.2	DCC, DBC, Police and CDDFRS Comms Teams to liaise on coordinated common publicity, safety messages and daily updates across the Bonfire period. Social media, radio & newspapers.	Police, DCC, DBC & CDDFRS Comms Teams	Comms to include distribution to AAP reps, Housing Associations &	<p>After liaising with both councils and police comms team, we refreshed our bonfire graphics and added all logos onto them. These were then sent to partners for them to distribute accordingly. The same thing was done for the joint press release > https://www.ddfire.gov.uk/news/patrols-are-being-</p>

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			MAPS. AR Team for inclusion in Schools Comms.	<p>launched-protect-lives-and-property-across-county-durham-and-darlington-run</p> <p>It was agreed CDDFRS would lead on content and partners were to share messaging they felt was appropriate for their organisation.</p> <p>We shared all images we received from our crews including joint patrols between us and the police – on socials https://business.facebook.com/245498638943/posts/10159856302148944/</p>
1.3	Encourage safety communications via Authorized (fireworks) Retailers to provide safety leaflet with every sale of fireworks.	Ian Pringle	Partners to try to get business on board with this approach.	1000 leaflets distributed via TS interaction with licensed suppliers.
1.4	Possibility to have fireworks safety leaflet delivered by Tesco.com delivery system.	Lee Aspery	LPA has arranged this with Gary Ewart (Tesco)	5000 leaflets distributed via the Tesco.Com
1.5	Communications with Durham University to share fireworks safety message, (consider digital message context)	Lee Aspery / Rebecca Eves	Business Fire Safety contact with Durham Uni / CDDFRS Comms Team	The strategy was circulated to Rebecca Eves Community Liaison Manager PVC Colleges & Student Experience Office Palatine Centre, Durham University, Stockton Road, Durham, DH1 3LE rebecca.eves@durham.ac.uk
1.6	Utilise leaflet with partners' logo warning of the dangers of bonfires/fireworks for general distribution.	Lee Aspery	CDDFRS will provide a leaflet / digital poster design bearing	2000 leaflets distributed via ER crews in Peterlee, Seaham & Wheatley Hill area.

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			fireworks code.	
1.7	<p>DCC, DBC & CDDFRS websites to have a homepage Bonfire message and a link to advice for:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchasing and safe use of fireworks. • Trading Standards 'Hotline' • Process on removal of illegal bonfires, http://www.durham.gov.uk/fireworks 	DCC, DBC & CDDFRS	<p>Confirm TS hotline number.</p> <p>DCC Do It Online</p> <p>doitonline - Durham</p>	<p>DCC TS attended 100% of licensed suppliers.</p> <p>Retail sales were low for 2021. Covid-19 has impacted supply as retailers normally purchase 12mths in advance.</p> <p>2 x reports of illegal sales were investigated. One was malicious & the other a young person via Snapchat, (parents spoken to).</p>
1.8	<p>DCC, DBC & CDDFRS websites to have a homepage Bonfire message and a link to advice for:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Firework & Bonfire Safety in the home. • Pet safety (use Woodie the fire dog). • Guidance on what not to do – purchasing Illegal Fireworks. • 'Bring your bin in' safety advice. • DCC & DBC Bulky Waste removal booking advice. • Firestoppers anonymous call line number. 	DCC, DBC & CDDFRS	<p>Firestoppers number</p> <p>0800 169 5558</p>	<p>Firestoppers number circulated in press releases and via leaflets.</p> <p>Fireworks guidance on purchasing, home fireworks parties circulated through press.</p> <p>Bins in back streets on East coast were collected in by CDDFRS and Neighborhood Wardens on the 5th November to mitigate the theft of bins for fuel.</p>

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2.0 Coordination Between Agencies	Action allocations start / concluded dates
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2.1	<p>Combined Bonfire Management Meeting (TEAMS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Aim: the organization of the different elements of the arson reduction activity to enable partners to work together effectively. ❖ Activity and Intelligence led. ❖ 11:00hrs – 11:30hrs Dailey ❖ CDDFRS will arrange Teams from Monday 25th Oct 2021 	DCC, DBC & CDDFRS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Focused on maximizing effort & reduction of duplication. ▪ Oversight not 'practitioner' led approach. <p>Police, CDDFRS, DCC & DBC Waste Management, Community Warden / CEO supervision.</p>	<p>This was difficult to arrange given the disparate nature of shifts and duty staff.</p> <p>Is this approach warranted given the clear and active lines of communication between agencies?</p>

3.0 Trading Standards	Action allocations start / concluded dates
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3.1 TS Officers of DCC and DBC to supply safety leaflets to Authorised (firework) Retailers	TS of DCC & DBC	TS Officers to encourage business to provide a safety leaflet to each customer who purchases fireworks. 1000 leaflets distributed via TS interaction with licensed suppliers.
3.2 Illegal sale of Fireworks, (also see page 13): TS enforcement of illegal sales of fireworks:- DCC Trading Standards: Ian Pringle (ian.pringle@durham.gov.uk) and, Graham Blount (graham.blount@durham.gov.uk) More detailed guidance on fireworks can be found on:- https://www.businesscompanion.info/en/quick-guides/product-safety/fireworks	TS of DCC & DBC	TS: To report any fireworks related issues to DCC TS :- Tel: 03000 261016 email: ehcp@durham.gov.uk The date DCC TS would start carrying out enforcement for illegal fireworks will be determined by when TS receive complaints or intelligence relating to the illegal sales of fireworks. Historically this will happen before the commencement of the legal sale period, (15/10/21 to 10/11/2021). TS are to supply data on any operations / seizures during the target period to support Level 1 Evaluation on outcomes. DCC TS attended 100% of authorised / licensed retailers. 2021 had seen Retailers suffer from supply chain (wholesale) issues with limited volume, (orders for fireworks are normally placed 12mths in advance – Covid may have reduced the capacity for production). 2 x referrals to DCC TS, (see 1.7, page 4)

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3.3	<p>DBC Trading Standards:</p> <p>Trading Standards will conduct visits to all licenced premises in the lead up to bonfire night.</p> <p>Email: tradingstandards@darlington.gov.uk</p>	TS of DCC & DBC	Comms will be sent out requesting members of the public to report any unlicensed firework sellers.	DBC TS have conducted visits to licenced retailers.
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4.0 Joint Divisional based activities	Action allocations start / concluded dates
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4.1	<p>CDDFRS DIVISION RESOURCES</p> <p>Joint patrols between Police PCSO and CDDFRS crews using non-firefighting marked vehicles or TRV where trained crewing is available.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ford Ranger • Marked CDDFRS vehicles • TRV, (where trained RDS is available) • Stations to utilize station audit & Power Bi <p>District Managers to confer with Station WM's on local intelligence, ASB hot spots to discuss High Visibility patrol routes.</p>	Divisional managers	<p>Joint patrols to look for:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stored / buildup of waste for use in bonfires. • Hi visibility patrols through areas of known ASB & firesetting in hot spot locations. • Support to fire incidents / hot strikes, leaflet drops & AR signage in local area of incident. • General EVA patrols. <p>CDDFRS ER are to supply data on any operations / joint patrols during the target period to support Level 1 Evaluation on outcomes.</p>	<p>Over the short run-up to the Bonfire period, (4th to the 6th of November), CDDFRS conducted joint patrols out of Peterlee and Seaham stations over the three nights.</p> <p>Joint patrols were conducted in partnership with Police and Neighbourhood Wardens.</p>

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				<p>Peterlee conducted 48 EVA, 31 x Blue Routes patrols in high-risk areas, 9 x Fly tipping referrals as well as Firestoppers leaflet drops.</p> <p>Seaham conducted regular EVA's and blue runs conducted during bonfire period. Interestingly, there were no flytipping incidents reported by the Seaham crew during their enhanced Eva patrols.</p>
4.2	<p>Dynamic RA: Joint CDDFRS & Partner EVA patrols</p> <p>During foot and non-firefighting vehicle patrols with Community Wardens / Community Enforcement Officers in areas where ASB /deliberate secondary fires have been recorded in recent time; ER Crews to maintain a Dynamic RA mindset with regards to deliberate attempts to ambush patrols, (see page 16).</p>	Divisional Managers	Attacks on FF and / or adverse safety events to be recorded as Violence at Work on OSHENS.	Conducted by CDDFRS staff during EVA's.

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	<p>DBC: CEO Officers will be available to carry out any joint patrols with partner agencies</p> <p>Email CivicEnforcement@darlington.gov.uk the email is available on officers mobile telephones.</p>			<p>Joint Patrols were conducted by CEO's and CDDFRS in back lanes and hot spot areas.</p>
4.3	<p>ASB Intelligence gathered by CDDFRS</p> <p>Where names of individuals are identified pass information onto Deborah Hatfield (ASB Team/CEO Managers), & 'Operation MAARS' email process.</p>	<p>Divisional managers, Information services & AR Team</p>	<p><u>Partners - Intelligence reporting email</u></p> <p>Email: Force.Intelligence@durham.police.uk</p> <p><u>Intelligence relating to;</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arson • Deliberate fires • Arson related ASB <p>Please put the following in Subject heading: Operation MAARS</p>	<p>CDDFRS provided 2 x ASB reports.</p> <p>ASB Manager has provided feedback to improve the reporting process moving forward.</p>
4.4	<p>CDDFRS: ER Fire Service Crews to promote firework safety messages at suitable venues / when in contact with the public.</p>	<p>ER Ops Crews</p>	<p>ER Operational crews visits to local Primary Schools. AR Team to visit secondary Schools.</p>	<p>2000 leaflets (fireworks code & Firestoppers handed out by Operational staff)</p>

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	<p>DBC Civil Enforcement Officers & Street Scene services to be informed of ASB / fire incidents within 'hot spot' areas on a day-to-day basis, (MAPS / Police / CDDFRS).</p> <p>This information will be provided by Streetscene/Julie Cuthbert by the required date</p>		<p>Agencies within DBC to share intelligence on ASB in known 'Hot Spot' locations during the Bonfire Period.</p> <p>DBC Agencies are to supply data on bonfire removal to support Level 1 Evaluation on outcomes & reporting to CDDFRS.</p>	<p>CEO Officers carried out joint patrols with partner agencies, (CDDFRS / Police)</p>
5.3	<p align="center">DCC & DBC- Private Landlords</p> <p>DCC & DBC provide guidance to Private Landlords in relation to risks associated in the Bonfire period from accumulations of flammable waste / materials were found within Private Landlord property land, (accessible gardens, rear yards etc).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Page 17 for contact details 		<p>DCC & DBC to contact Housing associations within territorial areas;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Believe Housing • Benicia Homes • Livin Homes • Accent <p>Carbon Homes</p>	<p>Information was passed to HA for circulation to residents.</p>
5.6	<p align="center">DCC – East Coast / Horden N&S Wards</p> <p>The Refuse collection service to be looked at within the hotspot areas to see if an extra collection is feasible to remove all potential combustibles.</p> <p>Community Wardens to maintain oversight & report to Clean & Green.</p>	Ian Hoult	<p>Horden has daily street cleansing and refuse collection, (side waste), on collection already.</p>	<p>DCC Wardens and CDDFRS Ops personnel removed wheelie bins from back lanes in Horden to prevent use on bonfires.</p> <p>No information provided by DDC for the deadline date of 12/11/21 or by the evaluation production date of 13th December 21.</p>

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5.7	<p>Level 1 Evaluation</p> <p>CDDFRS Arson Reduction Team will collate all data in relation to Bonfire Removal activities</p>	Lee Aspery	<p>The aim of a L1 Evaluation is to understand the:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • activities were conducted • quantities of materials removed • number of EVA / Patrols • number of joint patrols • number of attacks on FF • ASB incidents recorded during the target period <p>TS operations / seizures</p>	<p>To be conducted by the 14th December by CDDFRS Arson Reduction Team.</p> <p>The statistical information for the list in the left hand column is contained in the PowerPoint briefing for DCC by Jon Bell, (less DCC Clean & Green data).</p>

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7.0 Education & Schools	Action allocations start / concluded dates
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7.1	<p>CDDFRS Arson Reduction Team & ER Operational Crews</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Targeted Secondary / Junior schools in hot spot areas to receive bonfire/firework safety talk from AR Team & ER Operational crews. Junior School Head Teachers have agreed to forward Bonfire Safety message to all Parent's via email addresses. (DCC Schools). CDDFRS ER Ops Crews are reminded to focus their Fireworks Awareness presentations on Years 5 & 6 (Primary school) in their station area. 	ER Ops & AR Team	<p>Secondary Schools booked in with AR Team for presentations in October/ November.</p> <p>Fun & Food groups to receive AR / Fireworks presentations from ER Ops Crews, (run-up to Bonfire period), 22/10/21 to 01/11/21 2021.</p> <p>Fireworks awareness PowerPoint created by AR Team for Children & Young People, (available to all agencies from 29/09/21).</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Secondary Schools across DCC & DBC areas received direct input / presentations from the AR Team in October and early November. 2. Targeted Secondary / Junior schools in known hot-spot areas received bonfire/firework safety talks from AR Team & ER Operational crews in October and November. 3. Junior School Head Teachers shared CDDFRS Bonfire Safety messages via Parent's email messages, (200+ Schools). 4. CDDFRS ER Ops Crews provided Bonfire Period / Fireworks Awareness presentations to Years 5 & 6 (Primary school years), within their station (low risk), areas. 5. CDDFRS presented Bonfire safety messages and education to 3,210 children & Young People.

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7.2	<p>Change of legislation on UK Fireworks marking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See page 13 for new guidance on UK standard of marking on legal fireworks. 	Information for all agencies		Information circulated.