

Regeneration, Community and Culture Overview and Scrutiny Committee

BRIEFING NOTE – No. 01/13

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Briefing paper to: All Members of the Regeneration, Community and Culture Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Purpose: To provide a detailed analysis of the combined record of incidents as requested at the meeting on 12 December 2013

Medway incidents

This note (see appendix also circulated) summarises all incidents in Medway in the last three years. The categories of incidents used are:

Fires: any incident involving fire, at any scale. We have shown on a separate table the number of accidental dwelling fires.

Special Services: Predominantly road traffic collisions, but this category also includes any incident we attend that doesn't involve fire, such as rescues from water, lifts, lock-outs etc.

False alarms: these are predominantly from automatic fire alarms in commercial premises, but also includes false alarm/good intent [e.g. a report of fire which turns out to be a bonfire], and hoax calls [although the number of hoax calls are very low these days].

Medway is served by the following fire engines predominantly, but larger incidents will bring in fire engines from neighbouring areas:

Fire station	Current	Proposed [April 2014 onwards]
Medway	two full-time fire engines and one on-call resilience fire engine	One full-time fire engine
Rochester	n/a	One full-time fire engine
Strood	One full-time fire engine	One full-time fire engine
Rainham	One part-time fire engine	One part-time fire engine
Hoo	One part-time fire engine	One part-time fire engine
Cliffe	One part-time fire engine	One part-time fire engine
Grain	One part-time fire engine	One part-time fire engine

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