

Winter Safe and Warm Campaign

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Aim

- ▶ **MF&RS Mission:**
 - Safer, Stronger Communities; Safe Effective Firefighters
- ▶ **Key Priority:**
 - Reduce fires, deaths and injuries, road traffic collisions and anti-social behaviour

Background

- ▶ Partnership project aimed at reducing ADF's, social isolation, supporting and promoting the health and wellbeing of older and vulnerable people
- ▶ Linking agencies together – promoting partnership referrals and intervention
- ▶ Key Partners: WBC's housing team, Age UK, Magenta Living, Energy Projects Plus
- ▶ Providing equipment, advice and support to help people stay safe, warm and well in Winter

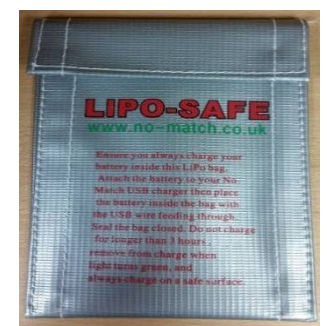
Role of MF&RS

- ▶ £1,500 each provided by Wallasey and Wirral West Constituency Committees
- ▶ ‘Emergency Heating Campaign’
- ▶ Replacing dangerous/inadequate heating equipment for oil filled radiators
- ▶ Launched during electrical safety week with media campaign (Nov 10th)
- ▶ Focus on older residents & the vulnerable
- ▶ Promote messages around how to stay safe and warm in winter

Service Provided

- ▶ Referrals from partner agencies or identified by fire crews
- ▶ Out of Hours Service
 - Evenings/Weekends/Christmas Closedown
- ▶ Operational Staff / British Red Cross
- ▶ Provision of oil filled radiators & winter warmth packs (fleece blankets, flasks, gloves) on fire stations
- ▶ Prevention Team follow-up with tailored Home Fire Safety Check:-
 - Holistic assessment of needs
 - Refer to other agencies where appropriate to deal with longer term issues (e.g. managing fuel bills, adaptations, assistive technology, befriending, health, social services benefits checks, etc.)
 - Provision of further risk reduction equipment, if needed

Equipment Issued



How to make a referral



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HOME FIRE SAFETY CHECK
REFERRAL FORM



Name of client			D.O.B.				
Address							
					Postcode		
Telephone No.	Home:						
	Mobile:						
Alternative Contact Arrangements (For sister, carer etc.)	Tel:						
	Address:						
	Email:						
Source of Referral			Date of Referral				
Contact Name							
Contact No.							
Cross any factors that apply:-							
Over 65	<input type="checkbox"/>	No working smoke alarms	<input type="checkbox"/>	Care Package in place	<input type="checkbox"/>	Home Oxygen Therapy	<input type="checkbox"/>
Smoker	<input type="checkbox"/>	Strong Medication	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dementia	<input type="checkbox"/>	History of fire	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lives Alone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Chip Pan	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mobility Problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hard of Hearing	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mental Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Drugs Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hoarding	<input type="checkbox"/>	Alcohol Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>
Any Other Relevant Information:-							

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Winter Warm Wallasey

- ▶ Between 1.10.14 – 31.3.15
 - 1,000 HFSC's completed in Wallasey area
 - 200 carried out by the Prevention Team
 - 434 HFSC's completed with Over 65 years
 - 1114 Smoke alarms installed
- ▶ 9 urgent 'emergency heating' referrals
- ▶ Fast response
- ▶ Referrals received from healthy homes, fire crews, health & social care professionals

Outcomes

- ▶ Greater awareness of fire & home safety issues
- ▶ Formalised partnership with British Red Cross to provide out of hours service
- ▶ New equipment provided to reduce risk and promote home safety
- ▶ Closer working relationships with key partner agencies
- ▶ Better identification of vulnerable or socially isolated people & linked in with services

For more information

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