

# North Wales Fire and Rescue Service



Gwasanaeth Tân ac Achub  
Fire and Rescue Service

The Service continued its commitment to focus on community involvement during the year by;

- The Campaign Steering Group continued to promote campaigns aimed at monitoring the safety of the public, as well as promoting our own fire prevention work, and
- reviewing the On-Call operational firefighter duty system to improve recruitment, training and retention

## Incident Data

Where shown percentage figures are a comparison against the previous financial year

Emergency Calls Handled **13,224** (up 6.1%)

Emergency Incidents Attended **5,896** (up 10.1%)

Fires Attended **2,011** (up 7.0%)

Primary 854, Secondary 1,037, Chimney 120

Non Fire Emergency Incidents Attended **1,211** (up 26.4%)

RTCs 234, Flooding & Water Rescue 68, Other 909

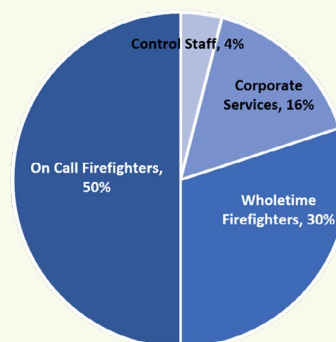
False Alarm Incidents Attended **2,674** (up 6.2%)

Automatic Fire Alarm 1,535, Malicious 52, those made with good intent 1,087

**380** Dwelling Fires Attended of which **344** were started accidentally, and of those **88** were cooking related

**55** Wildfires, of which **14** were started deliberately

## Workforce and Resources



**Workforce Establishment**  
(as at 31st March 2023)

**84%** of staff have some Welsh Language Skills, with **37%** being fluent Welsh Speakers

**Front Line Emergency Vehicles**

**54** Fire Engines; **3** Aerial Ladder Platforms and **36** Other Appliances, such as Foam Carriers and Boats

**Fire Stations and Crewing Information**

**3 Wholtime 24 hour stations** - Staff on duty 24 hours a day working shifts

**5 Day crewed stations** - Staff on duty between 12:00 and 22:00 hours and operate an on-call model outside these hours

**36 On-call stations** working the retained duty system (RDS) - part time staff who have primary employment elsewhere and are available to respond via alerter at all times

**2022-23  
Summary**

## Budget and Spending

A budget for 2022-23 was agreed by the Fire Authority

Revenue budget **£39.412m**

Expenditure **£39.452m**

Capital Plan **£3.321m**

Capital expenditure **£3.366m**

## Prevention and Protection

**18,052** Number of Safe and Well Checks Completed, of which;

- **32%** were undertaken in response to a referral from a partner agency, and
- **6,162** were classified as 'High' priority

A total of **575** Fire Safety audits were recorded, resulting in the issue of **6** Enforcement Notices and **9** Prosecution Notices and **1** Prosecution.

Work continued to ensure the safety of high rise properties following the Grenfell Fire Investigation

**169** safety talks with children and young people; with an audience totalling **18,001**

Collaborative work continued throughout the year with other Welsh fire and rescue services, North Wales Police, Natural Resources Wales, Local Authorities, British Red Cross and Public Health Wales, to name a few.

Building partnership agreements allows us to reach a wider audience and ensure widespread promotion of safety messages.