

## Appendix 1

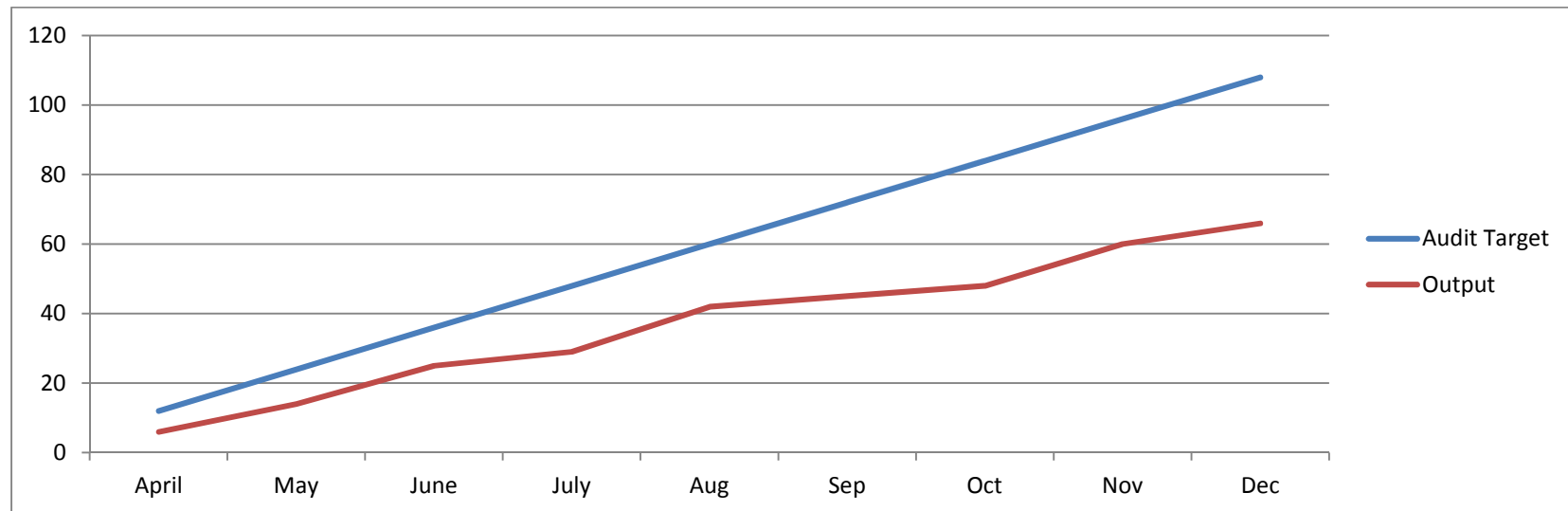
# Midlothian Prevention & Protection Activities

Quarter 3: 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017 - 30<sup>th</sup> December 2017

## Fire Safety Enforcement Audits

The figures represent the audit workloads delivered by the Midlothian Fire Safety Enforcement Officer (FSEO). Following the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) Enforcement Framework, local deployment ensures compliance for relevant premises in terms of the Fire Scotland Act (2005) and associated Fire Safety Regulations. In line with the SFRS enforcement framework all of the area high risk sleeping premises receive an annual audit and this includes hospitals, care homes, houses of multiple occupation, hostels and hotels. The audits carried out in quarter three have all been either broadly compliant or had minor deficiencies.

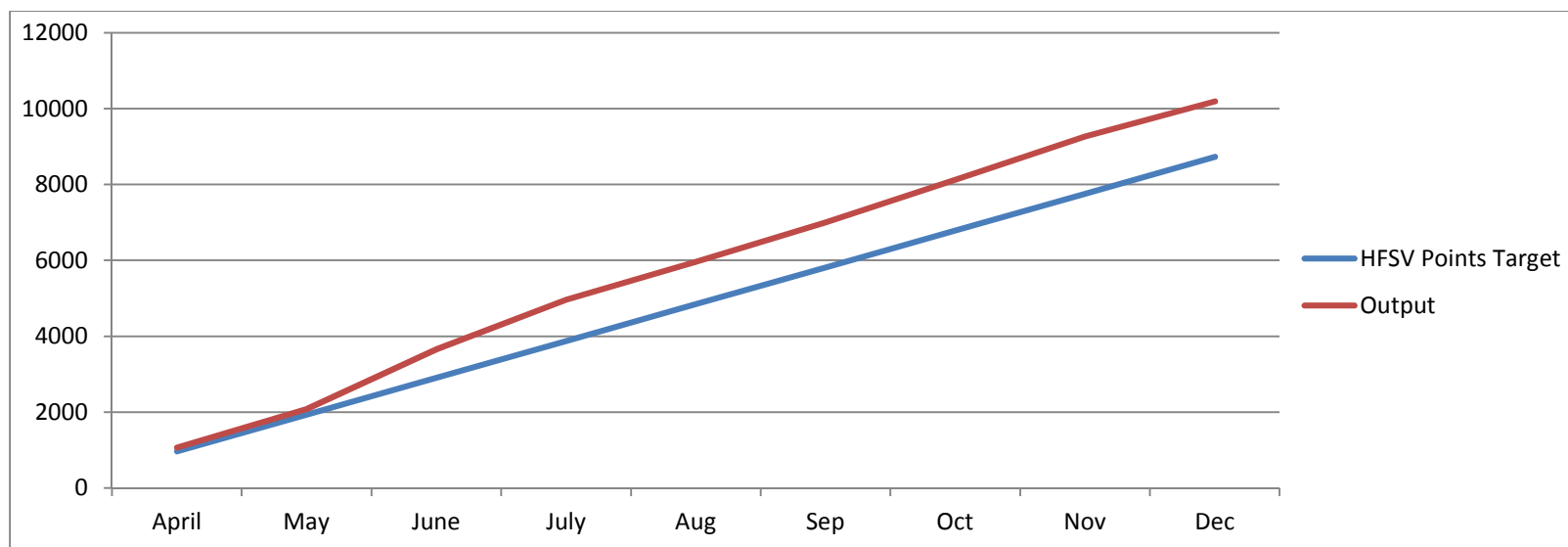
	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Target:	12	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	108	120	132	144	<b>144</b>
Completed:	6	14	25	29	42	45	48	60	66				



## Home Fire Safety Visits

The delivery of Home Fire Safety Visits (HFSVs) is the corner stone of the SFRS Community Safety Engagement framework. By visiting households and providing fire safety advice and smoke alarms the numbers of dwelling fires and casualties will be reduced. To target the highest risk households across Midlothian a points allocation based on risk and associated target has been set (24 points per high, 8 per medium, 4 per low risk visit). The output is above target which is very positive but will continue to be monitored through our internal performance framework and work will centre on referral routes for higher risk visits. **A total of 258 HFSVs were delivered in Midlothian in Q3 with 90 free smoke alarms being fitted.**

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Target	970	1940	2910	3880	4850	5820	6790	7760	8730	9700	10670	11640	11640
Completed	1068	2084	3660	4968	5968	7008	8130	9274	10194				



**Total visits delivered by ward area 2017/18:**

The following table gives a good indication of the coverage across Midlothian where the SFRS delivers Home Fire Safety Visits.

<b>Ward Area</b>	<b>Visits delivered in Q1 2017/18</b>	<b>Visits delivered in Q2 2017/18</b>	<b>Visits delivered in Q3 2017/18</b>
Bonnyrigg	46	46	36
Dalkeith	60	45	35
Midlothian East	48	54	47
Midlothian South	35	19	40
Midlothian West	35	30	62
Penicuik	48	43	38
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>258</b>

## Partnership Working

### Youth Engagement

During this reporting period, the Community Action Team (CAT) have supported and engaged with the following youth engagement programmes,

Polmont Young Offenders Institute

Midlothian Tomorrows Driver **24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>** October

Risk Factory, CAT provided **3** weeks of cover during reporting period

The Midlothian Community Firefighter has facilitated **5** Fire setter Interventions during this reporting period.

Our CAT provided staffing support as the Phoenix programme was brought to a close, with Local Senior Officer, Steve Gourlay attending the final display to present certificates

### Safeguarding

During this period our teams continued to identify and refer adults at risk of harm and/or in need of support. This has resulted in **4** referrals being processed to Social Services.

CAT have completed **6** home safety visits to vulnerable adults.

The Local Authority Liaison Officer (LALO) continues to attend or provide information relevant to Fires for the monthly Multi Agency Risk Conference (MARAC).

### Referrals

Our strong relationship with external partners continue to assist with **Home Fire Safety Visit (HFSV)** referrals:

British Red Cross = **4**

East & Mid Public Protection Office = **2**

Midlothian Contact Team = **8**

Midlothian Council Housing = **1**

NHS = **3**

**159** self-referrals were received via our Community Safety Engagement Toolkit (**CSET**) system with local crews completing **258** home safety visits during this quarter.

Living Safely in the Home (LSITH) pilot project has generated **24** referrals to the Midlothian Falls team.

Our LALO has developed a link with Melville Housing who are based in Dalkeith. The housing association raised concerns regarding tenants storing materials in common stairs. After discussions, a Stair Aware Initiative has been set up with crews from Dalkeith targeting flats in Midlothian. This initiative is still ongoing.

## **Other Work Completed or In Progress**

As you can see, the LALO and our Community Action Team play a pivotal role in supporting achievement of our local and national objectives. The relationship between SFRS and external partners continues to prosper due to these roles. The following initiatives and projects give a flavour of the aforementioned relationships:

Our Community Action Team continues to support both Whole time and RDS Stations within the MELSB area with the Seasonal Thematic Action Plans.

The Local Authority Liaison Officer attends the weekly TACG meetings in East and Midlothian and also continues to facilitate LSITH refresher training for all watches at Dalkeith. The training for this very successful initiative was delivered by Katrina McIntosh Occupational Therapist Falls Practitioner. Some other important pieces of work include:

- Provision of fire safety advice and recommendations as part of a neighbourhood dispute working with East/Midlothian Resolution Services Coordinator.
- Attendance at the Strengthening Engagement Project – Midlothian Collaborative CJ Event. The project, which the Criminal Justice Voluntary Sector Forum has run with Scottish Government funding since summer 2015, seeks to establish and strengthen relationships between the third sector and statutory partners
- CSET Referral Pathway training to Midlothian Council Housing Officers.
- Ongoing support both Whole time and RDS Stations within the Midlothian area in the facilitation of the Autumn/Winter Thematic Action Plan and the forthcoming Spring Thematic Action Plan, which address local and national priorities.
- East and Midlothian Violence Against Women and Girls Practice and Training Delivery Group and Public Protection Learning and Practice Development Sub Group' meetings were also attended by SFRS

In relation to our Public Protection duties and partnership approach, SFRS delivered Adult Support and Protection Level 2 training session at the Brunton Hall, Musselburgh for staff from East and Midlothian councils. Our training and presentation highlights lessons to be learned from a fatal fire in East Lothian.