

## **Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted.**

**7** There was submitted and noted a report by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) regarding the current issues, incidents and work being carried out in the ward for Quarter 3, from 1st September to 31st December 2024, advising the Partnership that

- (1) the Service had attended 810 incidents in the North East area, these being 256 fires, 176 special services and 382 false alarms;
- (2) Q3 of 24/25 saw an overall reduction of 4% in incidents attended in the North East compared to last year's Q3 total
- (3) the changes to Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals (UFAS) response from 1st July 2023 had seen a 20% decrease in the number of false alarm incidents attended by operation crews;
- (4) the figure of 138 Deliberate Fires in Q3 2024/25 shows an increase from last year's quarter however remains below the 5-year average: and
- (5) overall, there were 3 fire casualties in total, all of which were a result of accidental dwelling fires and there were no fire fatalities which was the lowest number recorded during this quarter since SFRS records began in 2013.