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**2025-26 Q3**

**Scrutiny Report**



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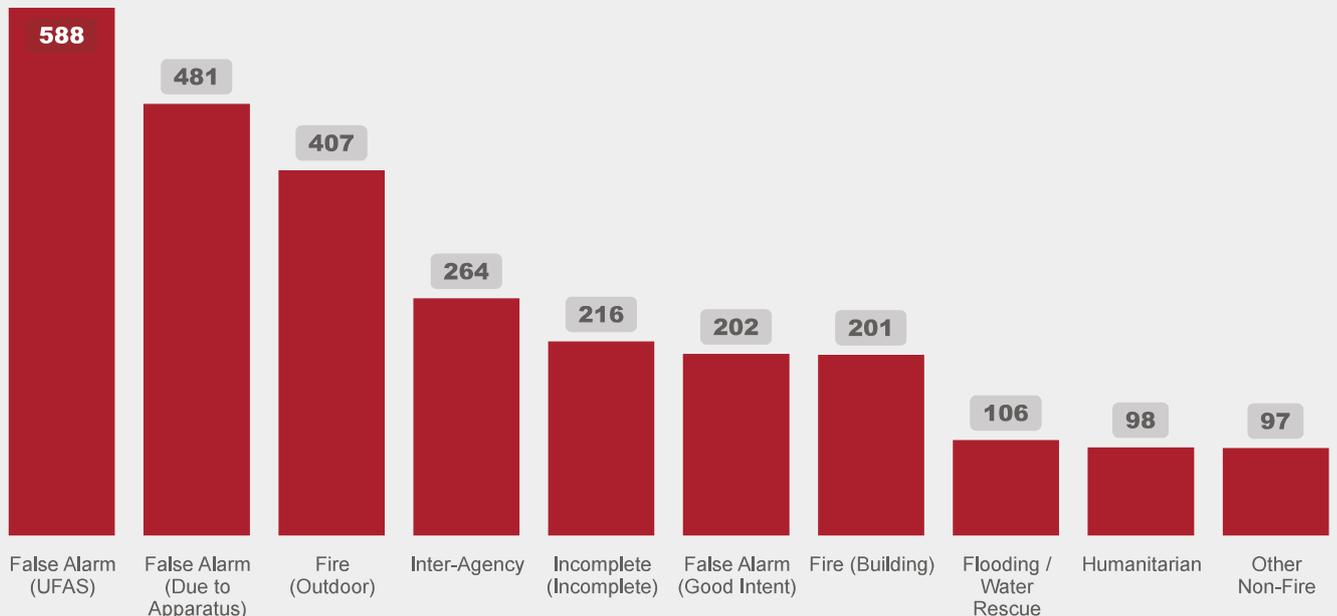
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# 1. Summary

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 <b>2,862</b> Total Incidents (Incl. Incompletes)	 <b>680</b> Fires	 <b>658</b> Non-Fire Incidents	 <b>1,308</b> False Alarms	 <b>588</b> UFAS
 <b>122</b> People Rescued by Firefighters	 <b>16</b> People Receiving First Aid or Hospital Treatment (Fires)	 <b>2</b> Fire Fatalities	 <b>51</b> People Receiving First Aid or Hospital Treatment (Non-Fire)	 <b>9</b> Non-Fire Fatalities
 <b>809</b> Home Fire Safety Visits	 <b>315</b> Fire Safety Audits			

## Top 10 Incident Types

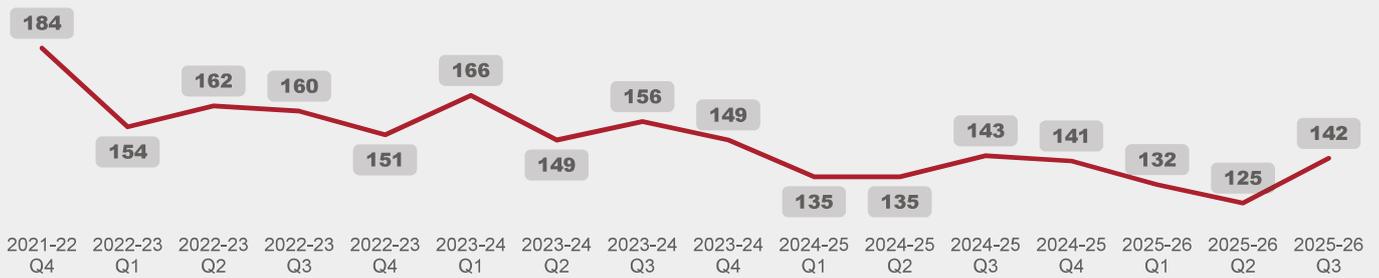


During Quarter 3 of 2025–26, the Glasgow LSO Area experienced a sustained level of operational activity across all incident types, responding to 2,862 total incidents, including 680 fires, 1,308 false alarms, and 588 unwanted fire alarm signals (UFAS). Operational crews also attended 122 non-fire incidents, resulting in 16 rescues, 2 fire related fatalities, 51 non-fire casualties, and 9 non-fire fatalities. While accidental dwelling fire activity remained broadly consistent with long term trends, the Area recorded two tragic fire-related deaths, prompting a learning review and multi-agency engagement through Adult Support and Protection processes. Prevention activity continued at pace, with 809 Home Fire Safety Visits and 315 Fire Safety Audits delivered, ensuring resources remained focused on the most vulnerable within our communities. Overall, Quarter 3 reflects a balanced picture of operational demand, proactive prevention, and targeted partnership work aimed at reducing risk across the Glasgow City area.

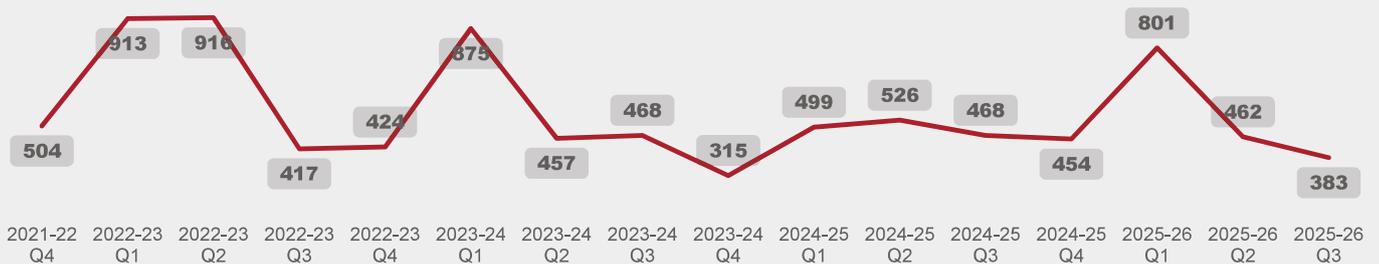
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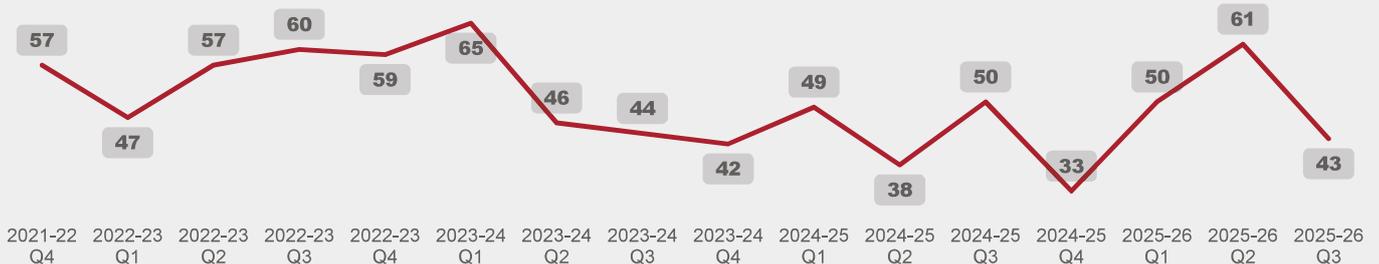
### Accidental Dwelling Fires



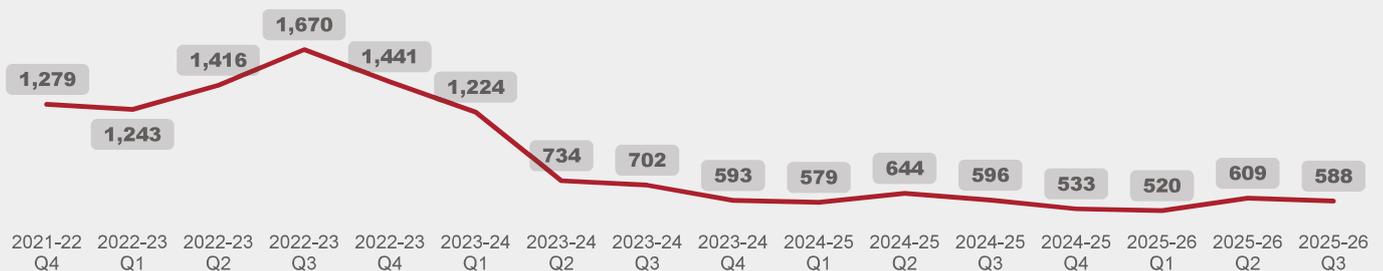
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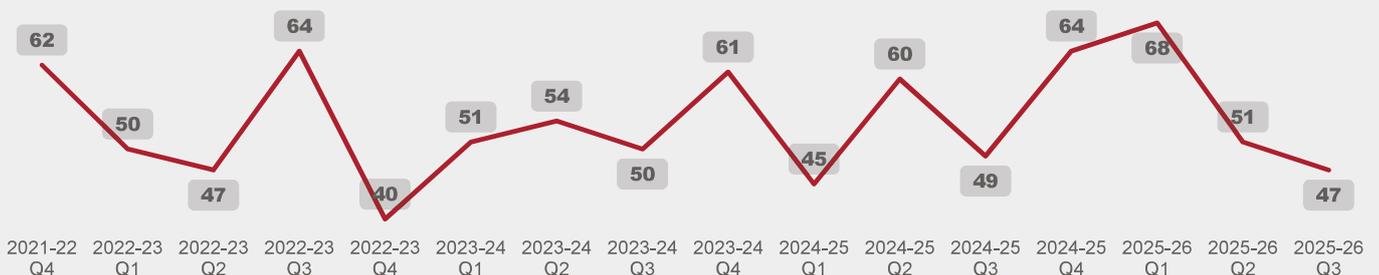
### Non-Domestic Fires



### Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals



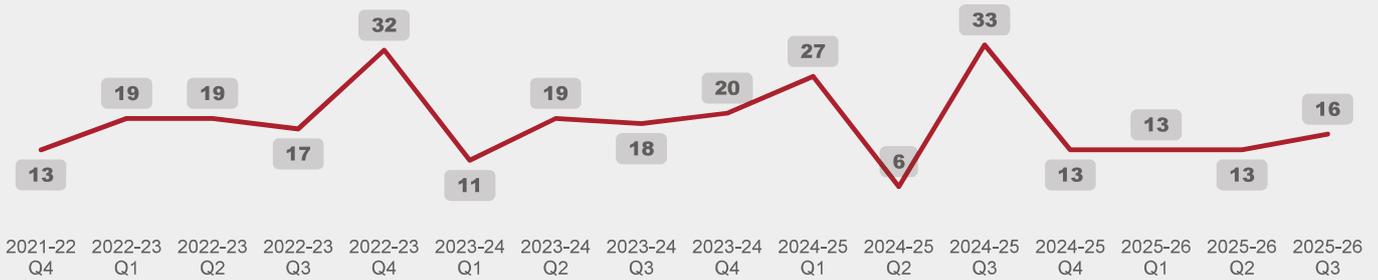
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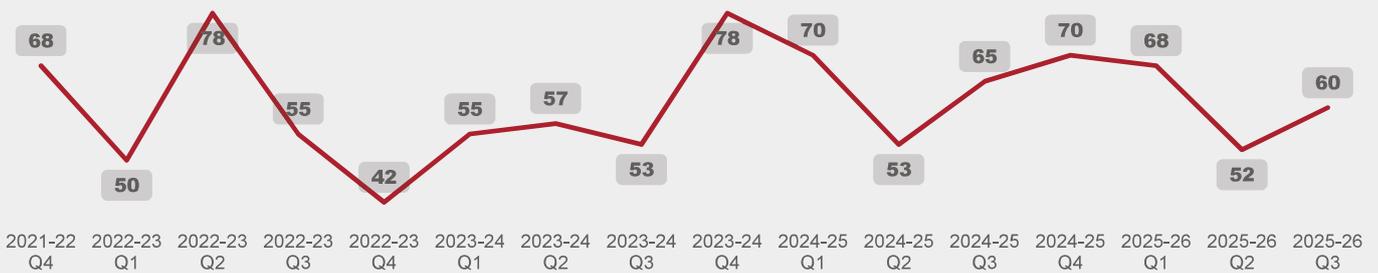
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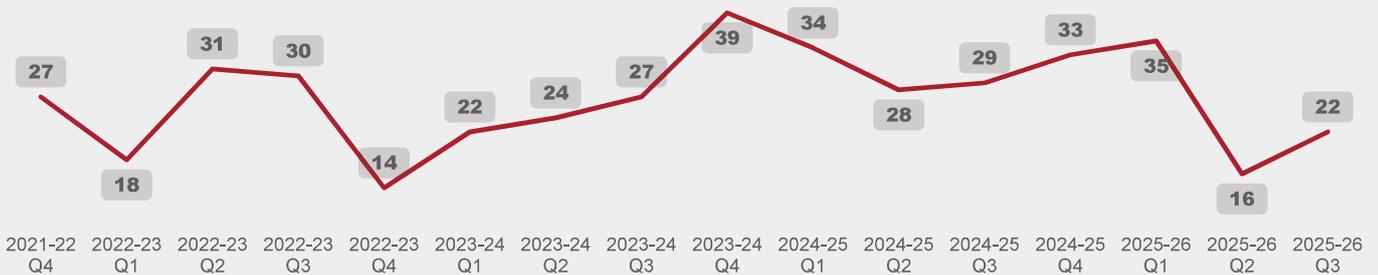
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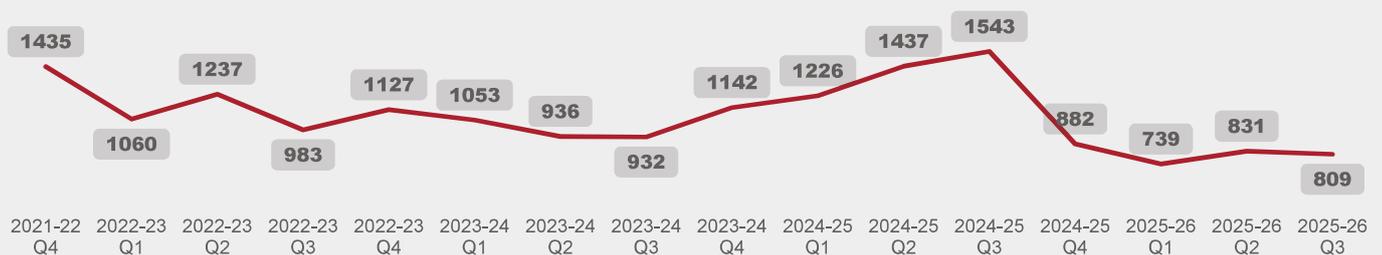
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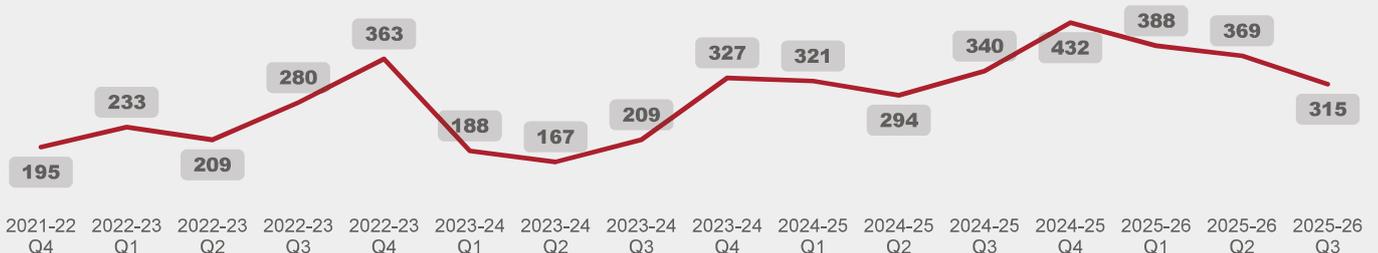
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### Home Fire Safety Visits



### Fire Safety Audits



### 3. Accidental Dwelling Fires

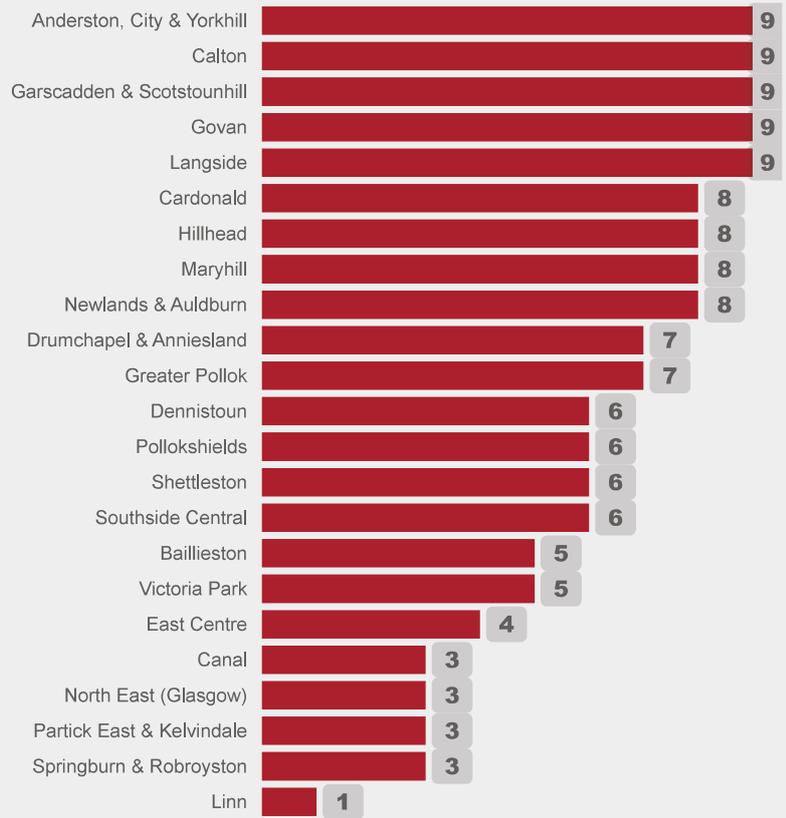
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#### Trend by Quarter (4 years)



Extent of Damage	Incidents
Not applicable	72
Limited to item 1st ignited	46
Limited to room of origin	18
Limited to floor of origin (not whole building)	3
Affecting more than 2 floors (not whole building)	1
Limited to 2 floors (not whole building)	1
Whole building	1

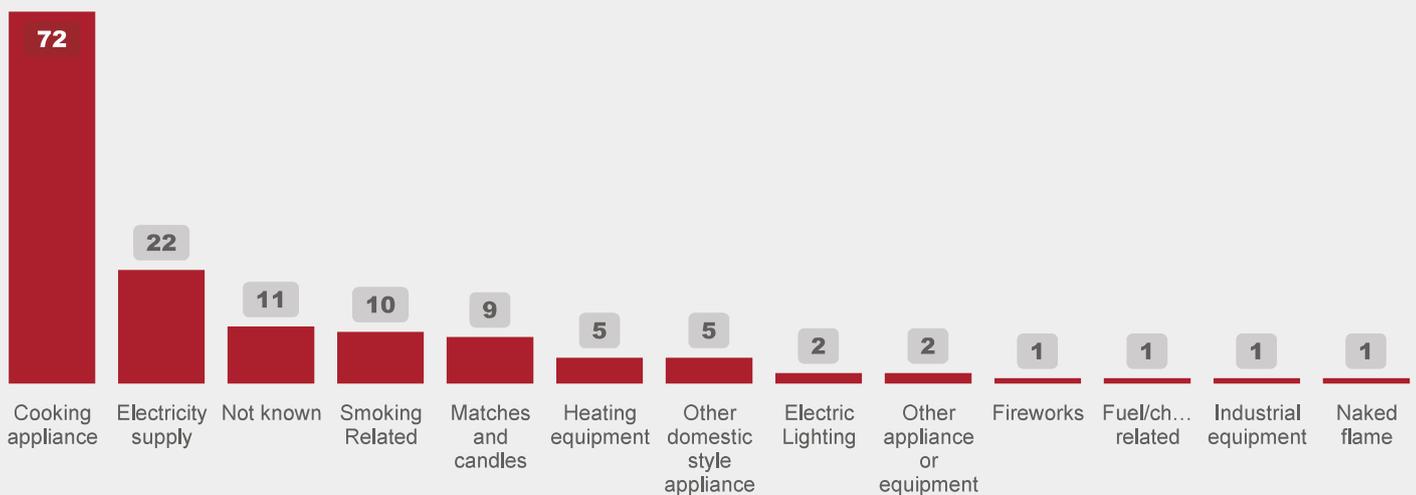
#### Incidents by Ward



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### Accidental Dwelling Fires in this period

#### Source of Ignition (Top 10)

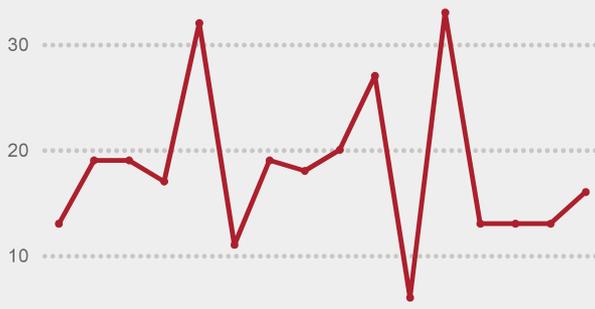


SFRS continues to deliver Home Fire Safety Visits with a targeted focus on those assessed as being at highest risk, ensuring that prevention activity is directed where it can have the greatest impact. This work is further strengthened by the Risk Recognition courses delivered at McGill House by the Community Action Team, which equip individuals with the knowledge and skills to identify hazards and reduce vulnerability. Together, these interventions form a key component of our wider prevention strategy and contribute significantly to ongoing efforts to reduce the incidence of accidental dwelling fires across the area.

# 4. Accidental Dwelling Fire Casualties

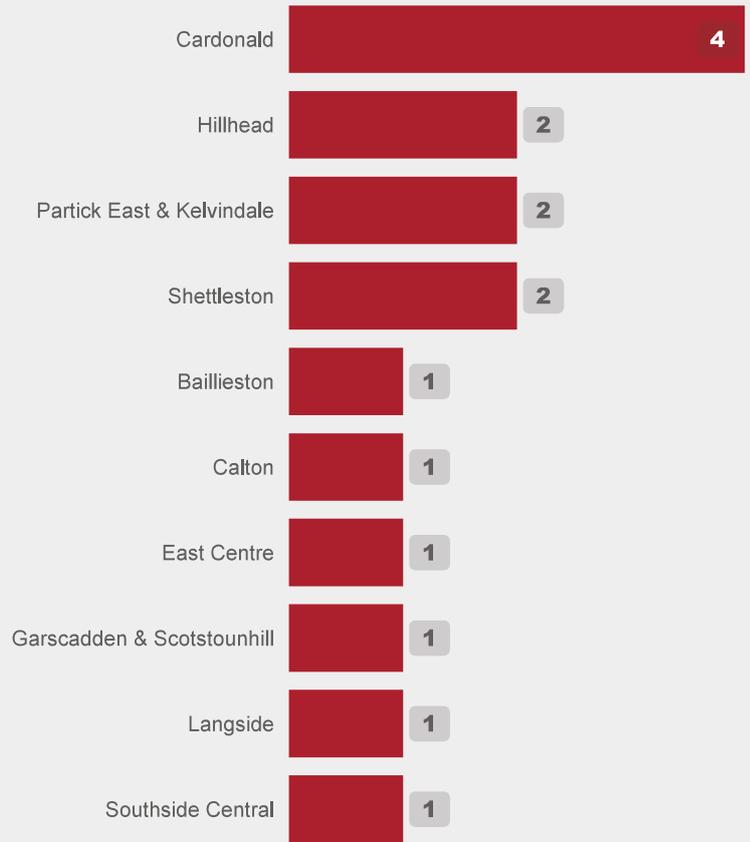
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## Trend by Quarter (4 years)



Nature of Injury/Cause of Death	Casualties
Breathing difficulties (Other than 'Overcome by gas, smoke or toxic fumes, asphyxiation')	6
Overcome by gas, smoke or toxic fumes; asphyxiation	6
Burns - slight	3
Head injury	1

## Casualties by Ward



## Extent of Harm (Non-Fatal)



9

**First Aid Given at Scene**



5

**Hospital Slight Injuries**



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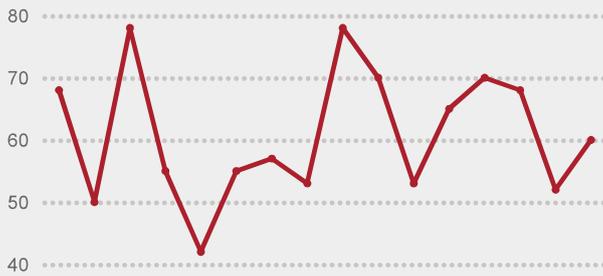
**Hospital Serious Injuries**

Sadly, the Glasgow LSO Area recorded two fire related fatalities during Quarter 3. In response, SFRS undertook a comprehensive learning review and worked closely with partners through Adult Support and Protection (ASP) processes to share relevant information and identify any contributory factors. Structured debriefs have been scheduled to ensure all organisational learning is fully captured and acted upon. In addition, the Post Incident Support Policy was implemented to provide appropriate welfare and wellbeing support to SFRS colleagues involved in these incidents.

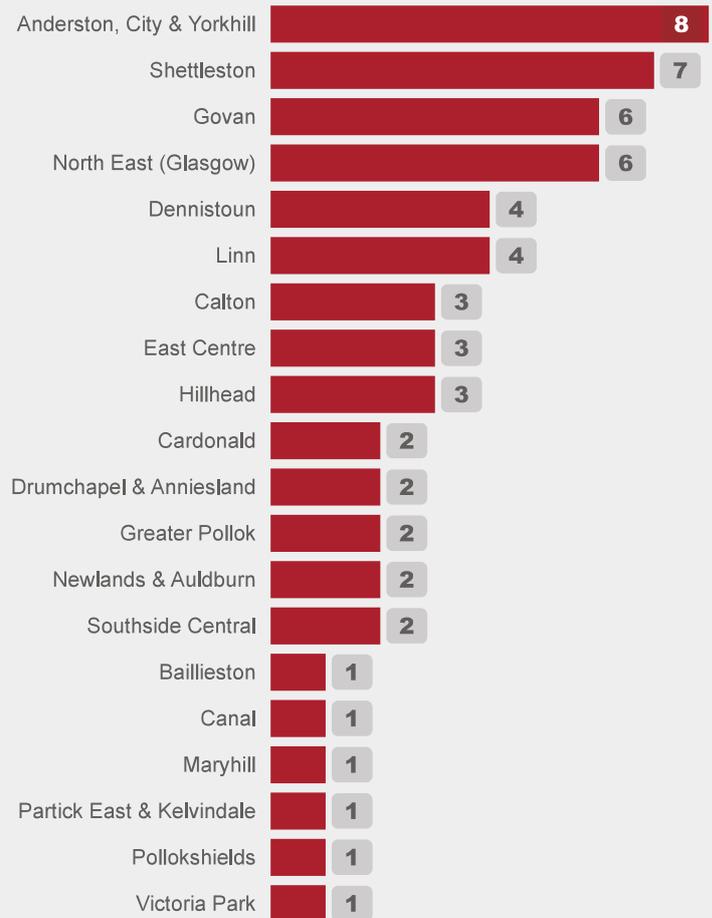
## 5. Non-Fire Casualties

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### Trend by Quarter (4 years)



### Casualties by Ward



Nature of Injury/Cause of Death	Casualties
Back / Neck injury (spinal)	13
Not known	9
Other	6
Other medical condition	6
Head injury	5
Cuts/Lacerations	4
Bruising	3
Fracture	3
Chest / Abdominal injury	2
Chest pain / Heart condition / Cardiac arrest	2
Collapse	2
Hypothermia	2
Unconscious, fitting or unresponsive (no other evident significant injury)	2
Other physical injury	1

51

Non-Fatal  
Casualties

9

Fatal  
Casualties

112

People  
Rescued by  
Firefighters

### Extent of Harm (Non-Fatal)



10

First Aid Given  
at Scene



30

Hospital Slight  
Injuries



11

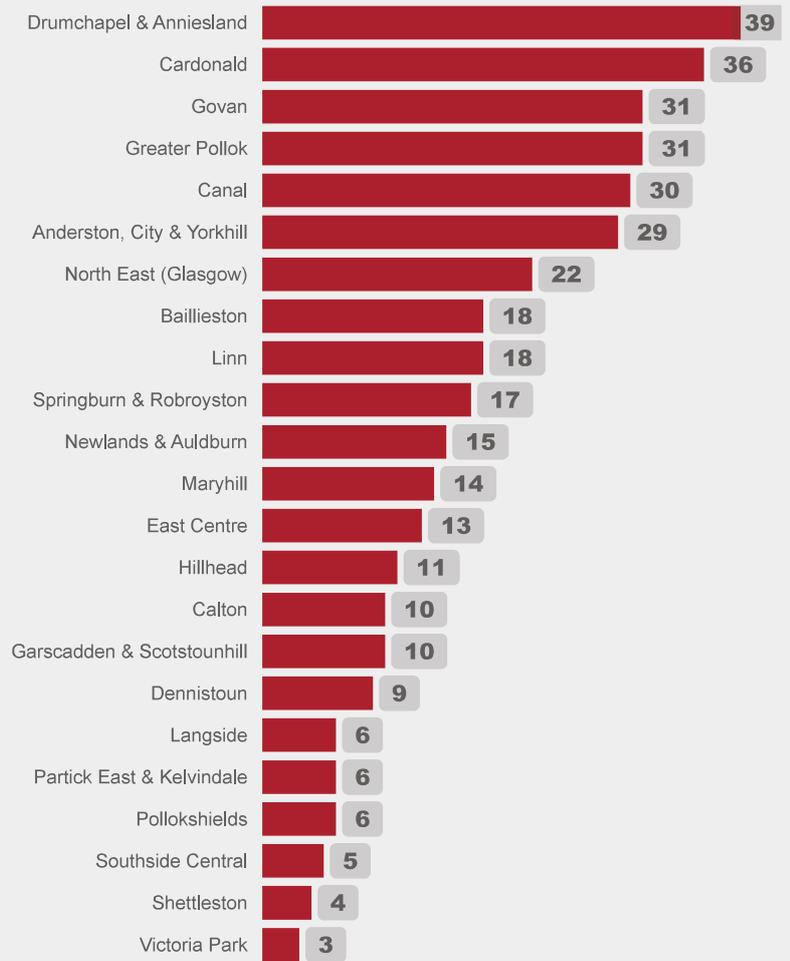
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SFRS continues to respond to a wide range of non-fire emergencies, including road traffic collisions, medical assistance, and supporting partner agencies with effecting entry. During Quarter 3, the Glasgow LSO Area recorded 112 rescues carried out by firefighters. Tragically, 9 fatalities occurred across these incidents, alongside 51 nonfatal casualties. Of those injured, 11 individuals were taken to hospital with serious injuries, while a further 30 were conveyed to hospital with slight injuries. These figures underline the breadth of operational demand placed on local crews and highlight the critical role SFRS plays in delivering an effective multi-agency emergency response.

## Trend by Quarter (4 years)



## Incidents by Ward

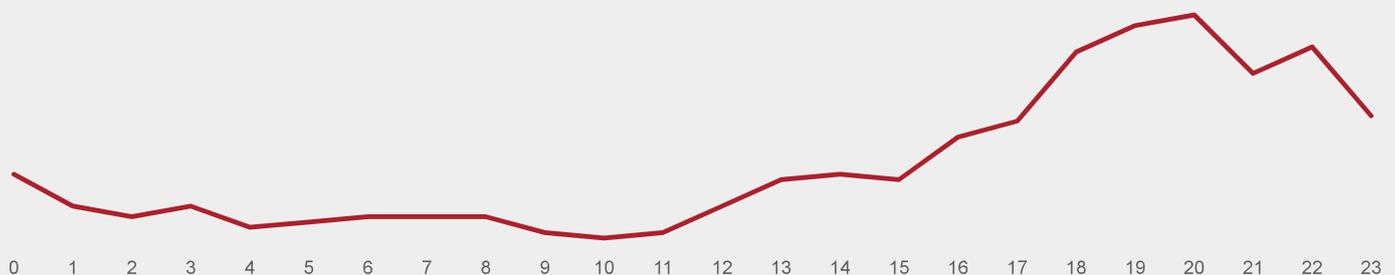


Property Type	Incident
Refuse	234
Other outdoors (including land)	37
Road Vehicle	37
Grassland, woodland and crops	36
Dwelling	13
Non Residential	13
Outdoor structures	9
Other Residential	2
Outdoor equipment and machinery	2

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## Deliberate Fires in this period

## Hour of Day



The Glasgow LSO Area continues to prioritise the reduction of deliberate firesetting across the city, with a targeted and intelligence led approach delivered by both Operational Crews and the Community Action Team. Engagement with communities and partner organisations has focused on identifying local areas of concern and addressing the behaviours and conditions that contribute to deliberate fires. This has included proactive work with schools and youth organisations, alongside the delivery of Fire Skills courses and the PAFS youth engagement programme at McGill House in Pollok. Together, these interventions aim to build awareness, promote responsible decision making among young people, and reduce the likelihood of fire related antisocial behaviour.

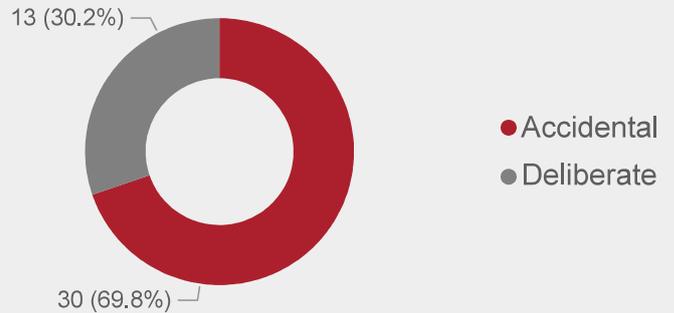
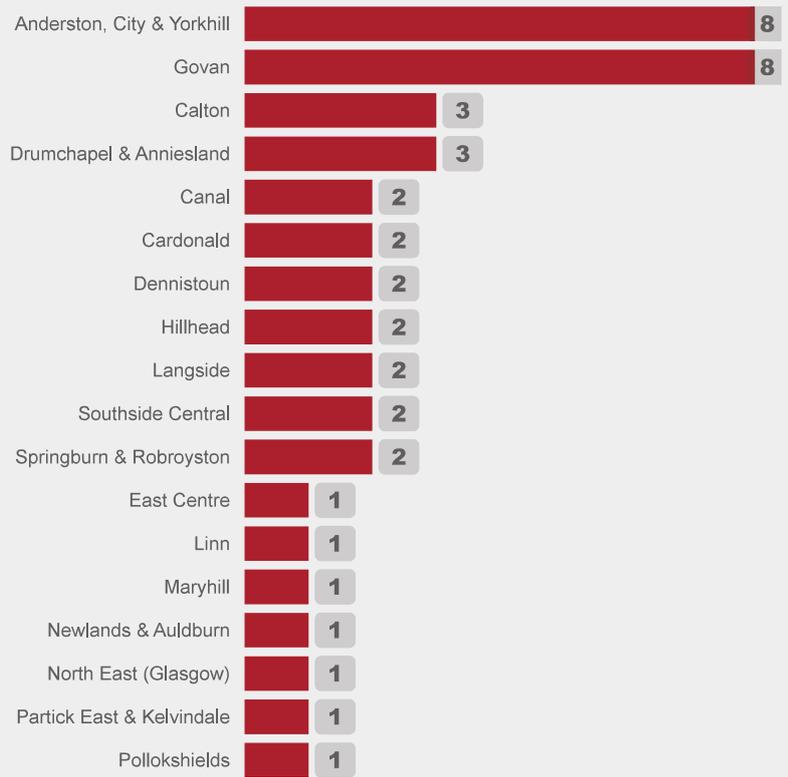
## Trend by Quarter (4 years)



## Top 15 Property Types

Property Type	Incidents
Retail	9
Residential Home	6
Food and Drink	4
Industrial Manufacturing	3
Sheltered Housing - not self contained	3
Car Parks	2
Hospitals and medical care	2
Offices and call centres	2
Religious	2
Student Hall of Residence	2
Warehouses and bulk storage	2
Boarding House/B&B for homeless/asylum seekers	1
Education	1
Entertainment and culture	1
Hotel/motel	1
Other buildings/use not known	1
Vehicle Repair	1

## Incidents by Ward



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## Non-Domestic Fires in this period

## Extent of Damage

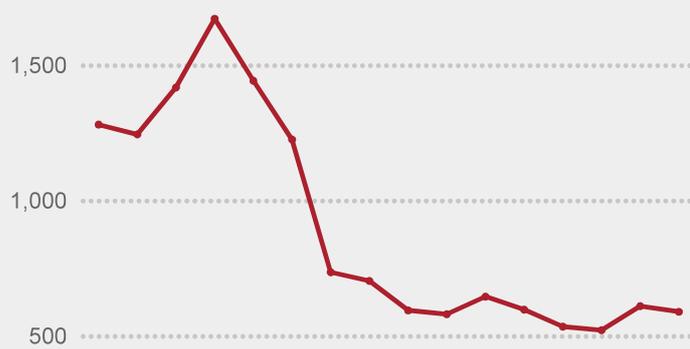


Non-domestic fire activity within the Glasgow LSO Area continues to show that the majority of incidents are effectively contained, either to the item of first ignition or to the room of origin. This level of containment reflects the positive impact of ongoing fire safety engagement with duty holders, as well as the value of robust early detection measures within commercial and public premises. The high rate of limited fire spread demonstrates the effectiveness of preventative work, including Fire Safety Enforcement activity, advisory visits, and wider partnership engagement, all of which contribute to reducing risk and supporting business resilience across the area.

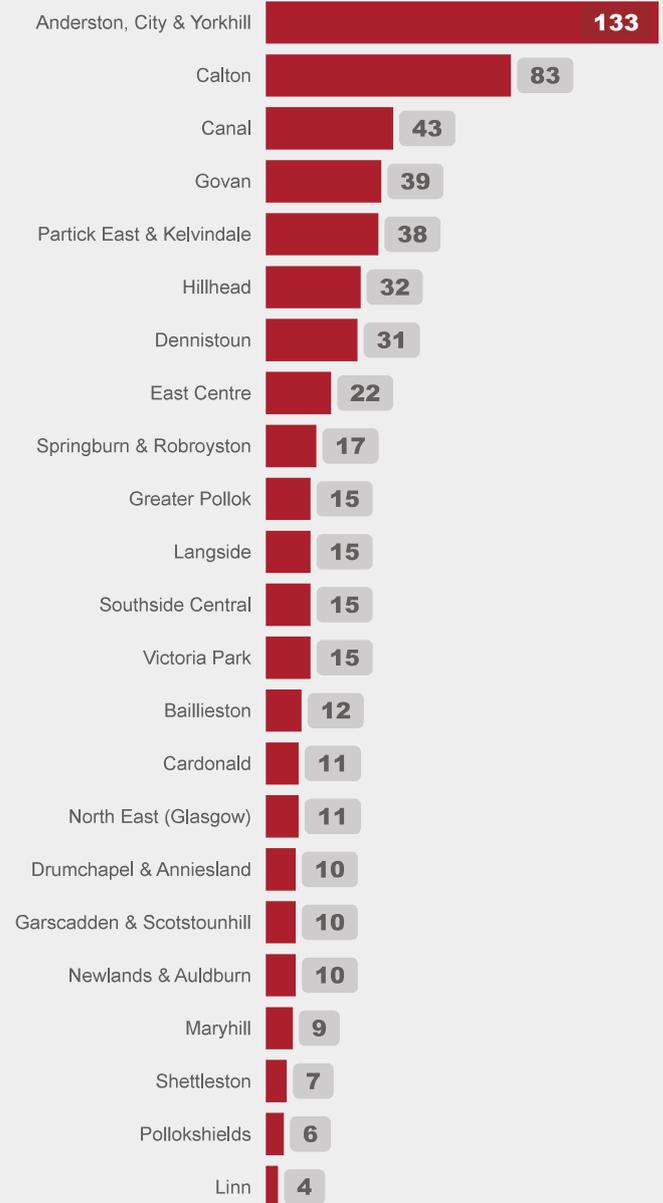
## 8. Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals

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### Trend by Quarter (4 years)



### Incidents by Ward



### Top 15 Property Types

Property Type	Incidents
Student Hall of Residence	167
Residential Home	127
Hospitals and medical care	97
Hotel/motel	52
Sheltered Housing - not self contained	39
Hostel (e.g. for homeless people)	32
Boarding House/B&B for homeless/asylum seekers	16
Offices and call centres	12
Education	9
Retail	9
Entertainment and culture	4
Food and Drink	4
Car Parks	2
Monastery/convent	2
Other buildings/use not known	2
Other Residential Home	2
Public admin, security and safety	2
Religious	2
Youth hostel	2

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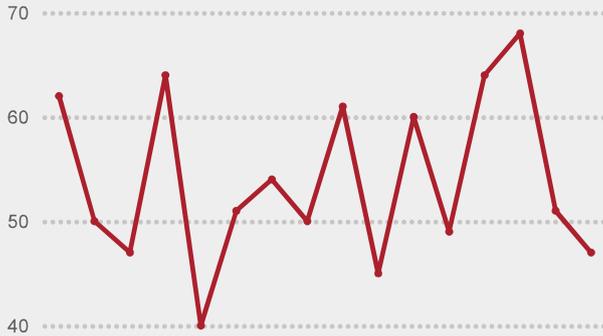
## Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals in this period

Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals (UFAS) within the Glasgow LSO Area have continued to remain low following the introduction of the national UFAS policy. Despite this positive trend, student accommodation, hospitals, and residential care homes remain the most frequent sources of UFAS related mobilisations. Operational Crews undertake regular Care Home visits to support staff in maintaining high fire safety standards, while operational intelligence visits across all hospitals help ensure that risk information is current and response preparedness is continually enhanced. In addition, the Community Action Team continues to work closely with student accommodation providers to deliver targeted fire safety information, promoting safe behaviours and helping to reduce avoidable alarm activations among the student population.

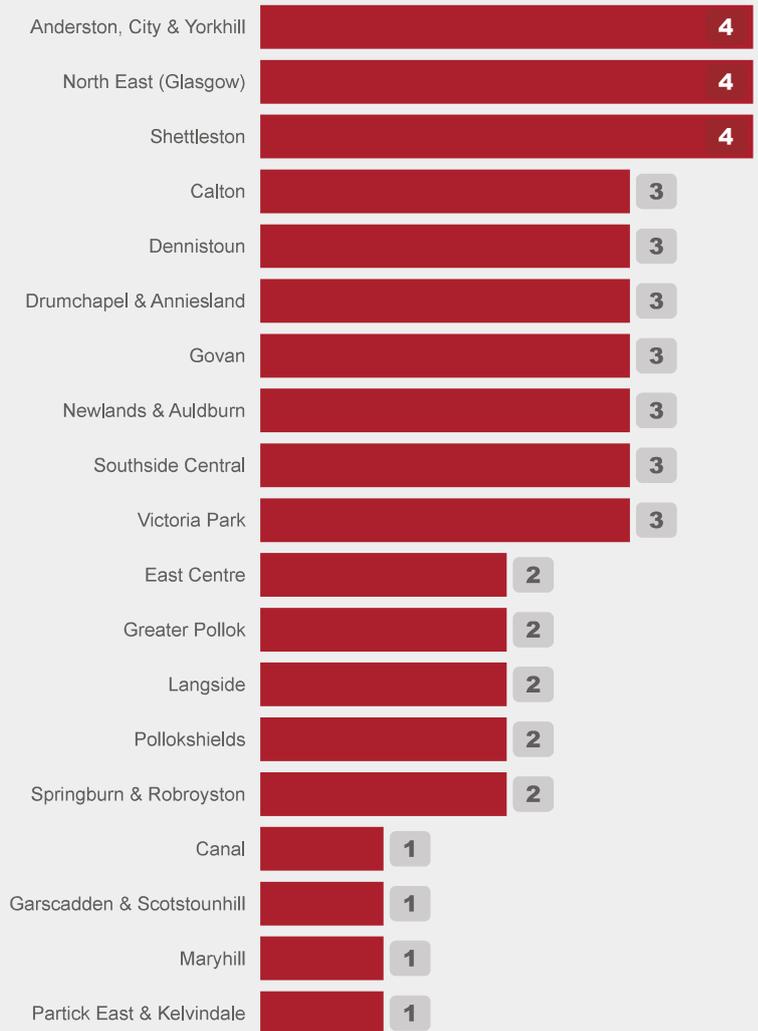
# 9. Road Traffic Collisions

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## Trend by Quarter (4 years)



## Incidents by Ward



**47**

**Road Traffic Collisions in this period**

Property Type	Incidents
Car	42
Lorry/HGV	2
Multiple Vehicles	2
Bicycle	1

Incident Type	Incidents
Vehicle (Non-fire)	46
Fire (Vehicle)	1

**22**

**Non-Fatal Casualties**

**0**

**Fatal Casualties**

**6**

**People Rescued by Firefighters**

## Extent of Harm (Non-Fatal)



**5**

**First Aid Given at Scene**



**16**

**Hospital Slight Injuries**



**1**

**Hospital Serious Injuries**

The Glasgow LSO Area continues to work closely with Police Scotland through the GO Safe Glasgow Road Safety Partnership to deliver consistent and targeted road safety messages across the city. Planning is underway for a series of road safety events to be held in each sector during Quarter 4, aimed at raising awareness and supporting safer road use within local communities. In addition, preparations are being made for Operational Crews to deliver tailored road safety presentations in secondary schools across Glasgow, reinforcing key messages for young drivers and passengers and contributing to the wider partnership effort to reduce road traffic casualties.

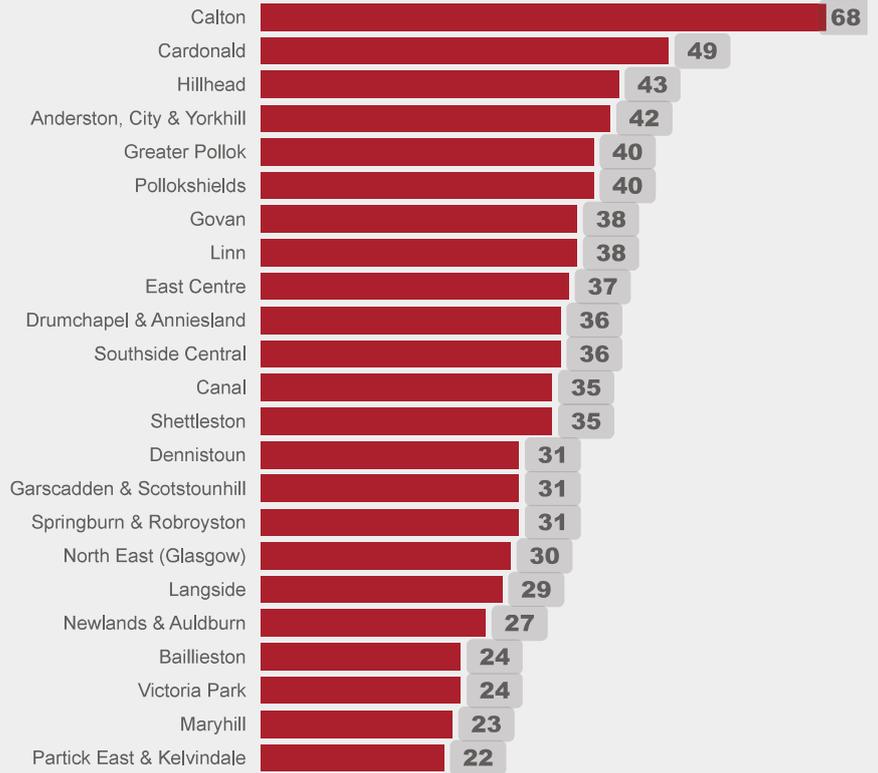
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Home Fire Safety Visits

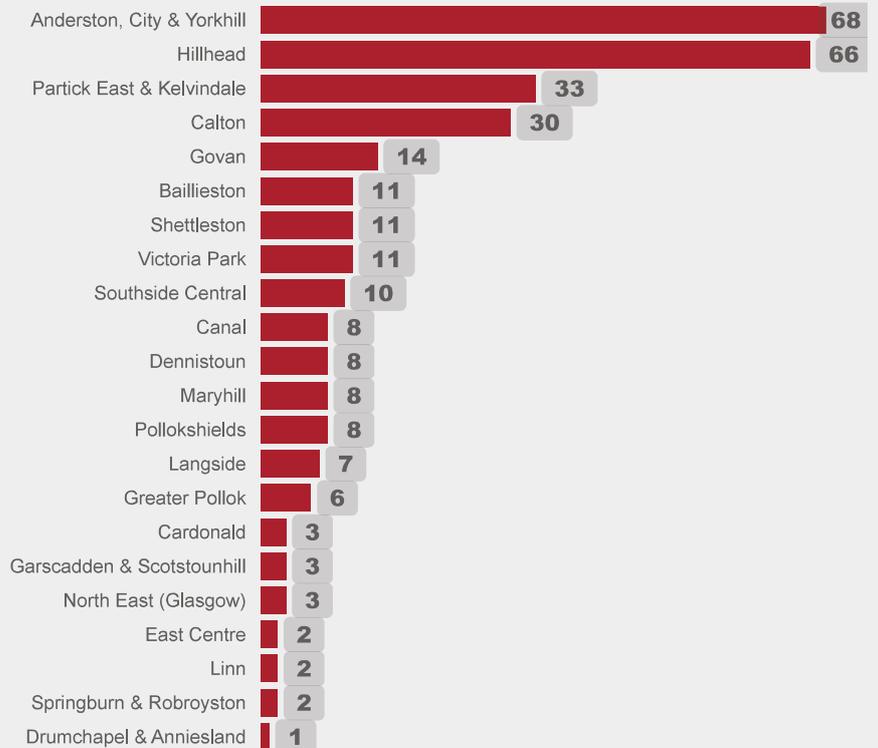
## HFSVs by Ward



# 11. Fire Safety Enforcement

Job Type	Count
Audit	315
Consultation	53
Specific Visit	27
Short Post Fire Audit	7

## Audits by Ward



During Quarter 3, the Glasgow LSO Area carried out 809 Home Fire Safety Visits across the city, with activity targeted towards households assessed as being at highest risk. This focused approach continues to support early intervention and helps reduce the likelihood of accidental dwelling fires among vulnerable individuals. Over the same period, the Fire Safety Enforcement team completed 315 audits, 53 consultations, 27 specific visits, and 7 short post-fire audits across a range of non-domestic premises. This programme of enforcement and advisory work plays a vital role in ensuring compliance with fire safety legislation, improving standards, and reducing risk within commercial and public buildings throughout the area.

The PAFS (Police, Ambulance and Fire Service) youth engagement program has now completed its third rotation, with this cycle delivered in Glasgow's Southside at McGill House, Pollok Fire Station. Over the 10 week program, young people were provided with opportunities to develop a range of practical and personal skills, including first aid, team building, and fitness. This cohort also benefited from enhanced partnership input, with Network Rail delivering a virtual reality workshop focused on the risks and consequences of antisocial behaviour on the rail network. In addition, SFRS personnel delivered dedicated sessions on road safety and water safety, reinforcing key messages and supporting positive decision making among participants.



### Bonfire Period Youth Engagement Summary – Glasgow LSO Area

During the 2025 bonfire period, the Glasgow LSO Area delivered an extensive program of youth engagement and prevention activity. Operational crews visited 136 primary schools, providing early-years safety education across the city. In parallel, the Community Action Team, supported by Campus Police, delivered presentations in 24 secondary schools. In total, these combined efforts resulted in engagement with approximately 14,000 young people across Glasgow.

This proactive approach contributed to a significant reduction in bonfire-related activity requiring SFRS intervention. Incidents decreased from 42 in 2024 to 21 in 2025, representing a 50% reduction year-on-year



### Glasgow LSO – Spirit Aid Christmas Toy Drive

The Glasgow LSO area partnered with Spirit Aid to support their annual Christmas Toy Drive, using 11 fire stations across the city as community drop off points. Members of the public were invited to donate new toys for families who might otherwise not received a gift at Christmas. Across all Glasgow stations, approximately 450 toys were collected and delivered to Spirit Aid for distribution to families. This initiative, combined with our community open days, charity car washes, and wider community engagement events, resulted in the Glasgow LSO raising around £25,000 for charitable causes throughout 2025. These efforts highlight the continued commitment of our staff and communities to supporting those most in need.



## 13. Glossary of Terms

### Term - What it means

#### **ADF**

Accidental Dwelling Fire.

#### **HFSV**

Home Fire Safety Visit.

#### **PDIR**

Post Domestic Incident Response, a term used to indicate actions taken following attendance at a fire or other incident in the home. PDIRs include amongst things the offer of a free follow up home fire safety visit.

#### **RTC**

Road Traffic Collision.

#### **Special Service**

Calls to incidents which are not fires or false alarms such as RTCs, rescues, flooding, incidents involving hazardous materials or the provision of assistance to other agencies.

#### **UFAS**

Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals. When an automatic fire detection and alarm system is activated as a result of anything other than an actual fire the activation is classed as a false alarm. If an attendance is made to such an event by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, then the event is recorded as an UFAS incident.

#### UFAS Policy Change

*In response to COVID, on the 6th May 2020, the SFRS decided to send 1 pump to UFAS premises that did not have their own Predetermined attendance (PDA).*

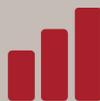
*As of 1st July 2023, the COVID interim 1 pump response was ended and a new UFAS policy was implemented.*

*The new policy is to call challenge all UFAS incidents with the intention of non-attendance. Hospitals, care homes, and sleeping risk premises are all exempt and receive either 2 pumps or their premise specific PDA.*



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