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Background

- 1. The report is structured around the five strands of the LFB sustainable development framework as set out in the 2016–20 strategy and the 10 objectives of the strategy. It has been produced in a more streamlined version to reduce duplication with other reports and within the report, where data is detailed in the Appendix A to the report. The focus is identifying new initiatives and key performance indicators over listing all related activities.
- 2. Indicators included in the Appendix 1 report are the corporate indicators that provide a summary overview of performance in line with our strategy that are found in the publicly available 'Our Performance' reports. Additional indicators that provide a broader view of performance related to the Mayor's London Environment Strategy (LES) as published in May 2018 and the GLA Group Responsible Procurement (RP) policy are included. The London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority supported the actions and targets set out in the LES through the draft strategy consultation response (FEP 2797, 03/11/17).

- 3. The indicators listed in the Summary of Performance chart on page 7 of Appendix 1 are the headlines indicators identified in the strategy. Performance reported for Small-to-Medium sized Enterprises (SME) spend and CO₂ reduction has changed, whereby figures previously reported to the LFC and included in the 'Our Performance report 2017/18' published on our website were provisional, in both cases the final performance figure is near to that reported previously.
- 4. Performance has improved for CO₂ emissions reduction, more people are benefitting from the London Living Wage payment, fires continue to go down and community safety activity has increased. In particular:
 - a. A further reduction of some 5% was achieved on the previous year for CO_2 emissions, with 45.4% reduction from 1990 levels due to a number of factors:
 - i) Grey fleet mileage reduced some 14%, it is unclear whether this is an actual reduction in mileage undertaken or a reduction in claims. Expected tax changes dis-incentivised officers from making mileage claims and there is anecdotal evidence to suggest a drop off in claims. With the recently announced delay to introducing tax changes it is expected that a number of backdated claims will be submitted and the mileage for 2017/18 will be revised with the next performance report. An increase of mileage to the same levels as the previous year would result in a 0.1% change in CO₂ reduction performance.
 - ii) Building energy efficiency improvements continue to deliver steady reductions of some 2.3%
 - iii) Fleet emissions have dropped some 22% on the previous year, indicating this was largely due to the increased vehicle movements with the '150 Years' celebrations.
 - iv) Air travel is down 14%, primarily due to a reduction in travel by the National Operational Guidance (NOG) team, which was the main reason for the spike in the previous year.
 - b) Onsite renewable energy generation is up from 7.25% to 8.25% with four further solar photovoltaic installations during the year.
 - c) Prompt payment of SMEs remains high at 99.6% paid in 10 working days.
- 5. CO₂ emission figures still include emissions from other tenants at headquarters as a robust process for proportioning emissions has not been possible.
- 6. Performance across the summary indicators is down in several areas:
 - a) Spend with SMEs has continued to drop by a further 5% on last year's performance to 12.4%, despite an increase of £470k in direct spend to SMEs. The overriding factor is a substantial increase of some £22m of spend categorised as influenceable in 2017/18 compared to previous years and entering a period of limited major works spend, which has always been a significant contributor to SME spend. A more detailed review of the data is underway.
 - b) The recycling rate has increased marginally to 54.9%, however it remains substantially below target (80%), which was set based on industry expectations of what could be achieved and officers are discussing with the contract managers KBR and the waste collection contractor how to address this. Food waste recycled is up 20%, which may be in part due to changes to food waste recycling bins at Union Street which significantly reduced contamination levels from that site, however this is negligible compared to the total weight of waste collected. To

make progress on achieving the target a focus is needed removing unnecessary disposable items from our waste stream and reducing the amount of recycling going into the waste bins. However this will need to be supported by improvements in the collection service such as the introduction of bin lift weight technology or regular sampling of bin weights to ensure estimates remain appropriate for the Brigade.

- c) Sickness has increased across all staff groups and will be discussed in an attendance report expected to be taken to the Commissioners Board in September.
- d) RIDDOR has increased, primarily due to Grenfell as discussed in the Health and Safety update report on the agenda of the Commissioner's Board for 18/07/2018.
- e) Corporate projects completing a Sustainable Development Impact Assessment has dropped from 82% to 57%

LES Targets

- 7. The LES sets targets for the London Fire Brigade and the other functional bodies of the Greater London Authority covering a number of areas:
 - a. New targets for fleet are a zero emission fleet by 2050, with an interim target of a zero emission capable or fossil fuel free fleet by 2030. The current fleet is 13.2% zero emission capable.
 - b. The LFC waste target is 80% recycling rate by 2021, which exceeds the LES proposed target of 65% by 2030. Performance is off target as noted at paragraph 6.b).
 - c. LFC had set a target for 45% reduction in CO_2 emissions by 2025 from 1990 levels, which has now been achieved as noted at paragraph 4.a). The Mayor's LES sets a further target of 60% reduction by 2025, which future reports will monitor against. Additionally five-year carbon budgets have been proposed through to 2032 to provide an emissions pathway to zero carbon by 2050, this in effect provides additional interim targets of some 50% by 2020, and 68% by 2030.

Projections of grid decarbonisation (through cleaner and more renewable energy supplying the grid) suggest that achieving the first carbon budget will be achieved with limited need for further action from LFB. Achieving the second and third carbon budgets will need either increasing levels of commitment to install energy saving measures or a more balanced and sustained commitment to install measures from now through to 2032. The expected commitment required will be identified through the next budget setting process.

Sustainable Development Strategy

8. The strategy has 46 actions, 17 of which are complete. 22 were proposed for completion in year two of the strategy, of those four actions are complete, two are off target, one is closed and 15 are on target. Actions completed include items referenced against key achievements in the paragraph below. Additionally the strategy objective regarding challenges posed by climate change and our response capabilities, is supported by the subsequent LSP2017 action to review PPE for floods, flood prevention equipment and community safety activities to improve flood awareness.

- 9. On target actions are those where completion timeframes are delayed from that initially proposed, however work has commenced and they are still on track to complete within the life of the strategy. For example:
 - a. Electronic log books and electronic vehicle and equipment checks were piloted in year two, with roll out commencing 1 July in both cases.
 - b. Improving the transparency of capital spending to support implementation of our Whole Life Costing Policy will be achieved through the move to holding data on capital expenditure on the Finance General Ledger system. This will enable wider transparency and access to the data to support decision making and ensure all proposals are properly communicated and assessed. To be completed 2018/19.
- 10. Key achievements for 2017/18 include:
 - a) 14,001 certification achieved to the new standard one year early.
 - b) Rechargeable battery operated equipment has been procured to replace petrol generator powered equipment on pumping appliances, with final roll out expected to be completed during 2018/19.
 - c) The programme of joint LFB and Environment Agency (EA) waste and recycling facility inspections continue with joint work helping to keep the number of high risks sites low compared to the position in 2014 of 18 high risk sites prior to joint working commencing. Due to the recent refusal by China to process some plastic wastes, there is a potential for higher risks from increasingly stockpiled plastic waste and we have prompted the EA to identify the sites in LFB area that process plastic waste to work with them on keeping these stockpiles under scrutiny and recommend prevention measures if appropriate. The LFC waste contractor previously advised that the China plastics ban had little impact on their supply chain.
 - d) Completing REFIT tranche three works at 28 stations, with 28 measures including solar photo voltaics, waterless urinals, heating and lighting upgrades and other water savings measures. Final reports on performance improvements expected are awaited.
- 11. Of the two actions off target, the following actions are uncertain as to whether they will be completed within the life of the strategy:
 - a. To review the Whole Life Costing outcome of key building elements to inform our aims around BREEAM Work has been completed for boilers and lighting, however there is currently insufficient capacity to extend this work further to other key building elements such as fenestration. Opportunities to collaborate on this area with other functional bodies will be explored and is a proposed action of the Central Responsible Procurement Team's implementation plan for the Responsible Procurement policy.
 - b. The Health, Safety and Environment induction is presently made available to new FRS staff, but is not included in the firefighter development induction course. The option to provide this to new recruits when they are posted to a station, when the course content is likely to be more meaningful is being investigated. Completion rates for FRS are low, however this is expected to improve with the inclusion of the course in the new staff induction pack that is in development.

12. The closed action was to establish a forum on waste fires with the Local Government Association to discuss how local authorities can support prevention work. This has been closed with joint work with the Waste Industry Safety and Health (WISH) Forum to update existing guidance to align to national guidance on waste site fire prevention undertaken instead.

Finance comments

1) The Chief Finance Officer has reviewed this report and has no comments.

Workforce comments

2) This report provides a performance update only, therefore staff side consultation has not been carried out.

Legal comments

3) No comment.

Sustainability implications

4) This report sets out the performance against key LFC indicators for sustainable development.

Equalities implications

5) This report includes performance against key LFC summary indicators for equalities.

List of Appendices to this report:

a) Appendix 1: Sustainable Development Annual Report 2017/18.

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Introduction by the London Fire Commissioner



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London Fire Commissioner

1 Introduction

The London Fire Brigade (LFB) is run by the London Fire Commissioner. We are one of the largest firefighting and rescue organisations in the world, employing some 5,712 people. We believe that fighting fires. We know that our prevention work such as smoke alarms save lives and reduce the number of fires and their devastating impacts on the community. Aside from fatalities, injuries and other health impacts they can result in financial loss, pollution, loss of resources, and place our own staff at risk from response to and require considerable resourcing to respond.

Policies and Plans

The <u>London Safety Plan 2017</u> sets out our plans for 2017- 2021 to deliver against our corporate strategic aims: prevention and protection; response and resilience; and people and resources, which are supported by the underlying principles of inclusion, safety, sustainability, accountability and collaboration. Our <u>Sustainable Development Strategy (2016-20)</u> sets out how we intend to deliver on that principle and lead the way on sustainable development within the UK fire and rescue service.

The Brigade's core sustainability policies cover: sustainable development and the three pillars of sustainability: environmental, social and economic; and Responsible Procurement, covering social, economic and environmental issues, including ethical sourcing and whole life costing. We have an overarching environment policy along with procedures covering the specific areas of energy conservation, waste management, pollution prevention and gardens. Previous plans covering waste, travel and biodiversity have been superseded by the Mayor's London Environment Strategy.

Key Achievements for 2017/18

- Exceeded our CO₂ reduction target of 45% reduction from 1990 levels;
- Surpassed our target of 73k Home Fire Safety Visits, delivering some 83k
- ISO 14,001 certification for an Environmental Management System achieved 1 year early
- Ultra low Emission Vehicles make up 13% of the fleet

Our Performance

This report highlights performance against the objectives of our strategy and our sustainable development framework. We are working towards the Global Reporting Initiative's guidelines on sustainability, version 4. More detailed performance data on Inclusion; Community Safety; and Health Safety & Wellbeing is available through Our Performance and the Fire Facts reports on our website.

Our sustainability performance is summarised by 10 indicators on page 6. We are on target for 3 of the 8 core indicators that have targets.

The figures provided in the performance summary chart and the body of this report for sickness, safety and fires are annual performance compared to our 5 year direction of travel (∇ , \triangle , \triangleright) which we consider, to be more appropriate measures to show trends in performance, the remainder are annual trends.

Performance at a Glance



19,535

down from 20,265



83,313

90% to high risk people/places¹

5.45% Operational staff Shifts/Days sickness lost*



82 RIDDOR² events*

up from 71





Trainee firefighters
15.7% BAME,
down from 21%
12.4% Women,

up from 10.5%



12.4~% SME spend *

down from 17.8 %

45.4% CO₂ reduction*

up from 40.5%



54.9% Recycling*

up from 54.1%





176 Contractors staff

paid London Living Wage



4 Apprenticeship starts

1 through our contracts

Comparison figures throughout this report are on a 5 year trend, except for environment and procurement figures which are annual comparisons unless otherwise indicated.

Further information about our performance in 2017/18 and earlier years, including monthly data at borough and ward level is available at www.london-fire.gov.uk

¹ High risk people include those at greater risk of experiencing a fire or with reduced ability to escape a fire such as being over 60, a smoker, disabled, living alone, single parents with young children, living in social housing, drug and alcohol addictions, mental health issues and those living in social care or domiciliary care.

² Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations.

^{*} Corporate indicators

2 Prevention, Protection, Response

Our Objectives

1. Improve the safety and security of Londoners through our prevention and protection activities

*(10 yr average)

Our Performance

✓ Time spent on community safety work by station staff: 12.61% ▲

✓ Home Fire Safety Visits (HFSVs): 83,313
▲

■ All Fires attended: 19,522▼

Primary Fires: fatalities*: 51

✓ Primary Fires: injuries: 966 ▼

Whilst the overall number of incidents we respond to continues to fall as a result of our prevention and protection work, 2017 saw the most significant incident in the Brigade's recent history at Grenfell Tower, significantly affecting fire fatalities. We know that our prevention work such as smoke alarms save lives and reduces the number of fires and their devastating impacts on the community. Prevention, protection and response is the most significant area that we can make an impact on the sustainability of our community, given fires can also result in financial loss and environmental damage.

Key Initiatives

- Following Grenfell a dedicated task force was established to inspect over 500 buildings with ACM cladding, to ensure general fire precautions were acceptable, discuss mitigation measures and prioritise revisits according to risks identified.
- Our fourth Children and Young People's Conference focused on empowering young people to make positive choices in their lives, such as deciding not carry a knife and understanding how the Brigade can help.
- A pilot of fire, safe and well visits began in the boroughs of Waltham Forest, Ealing, Merton,
 Greenwich and Islington to provide advice on wider issues including falls prevention, smoking cessation and social isolation, and referrals to services supporting interventions into fuel poverty.
- Expanding on our Cadets programme we piloted Junior Fire Cadets for 11 to 13 year olds at Dagenham Fire station, helping them to understand hazards in the home; risks and safety control measures; learn what to do during emergencies; basic first aid; an introduction to firefighting; road safety, personal safety, health and wellbeing; and we had our first cadet go on to become a new fire fighter recruit.
- Young people affected by the Grenfell Tower fire were given an opportunity to take part in a LIFE course at Chelsea Fire Station, run alongside the Youth Action Alliance and Grenfell Muslim Response Unit.



Total Recalls campaign success

Nearly one fire a day in London is caused by whitegoods. Channel 5's Do The Right Thing covered our ongoing Total Recalls campaign, highlighting how easy it is to buy dangerous faulty white goods, even after a manufacturers product recall. Campaign success was achieved with a new Office for Product Safety and Standards established to identify consumer risks and manage responses to large-scale product recalls and repairs. One of its first priorities was to establish 'a comprehensive database' of recalled consumer goods, a key campaign objective.

Prevention work in the Boroughs - Local Health Interventions

Health interventions to help reduce fire risk have been a focus of activity across the boroughs:

- Partnering with BREATHE through our safe and well home visits, and hosting a National No Smoking Day event in Islington, with smoking materials the largest cause of accidental fire fatalities, and smoking-related diseases the largest cause of premature death.
- Age UK Croydon hosted its first 'Heathier Lifestyle Hub' at Purley fire station.
- We know vulnerable residents have a higher fire risk and undertook a range of activities including:
 - Many fire stations were opened up to vulnerable residents in their areas for Christmas lunches at 11 stations and tea parties at Acton, Euston and Hillingdon, giving them something to look forward to, helping to combat loneliness and improve mental health and wellbeing.
 - Crews from Bromley, Euston, Chelsea, Norbury, Wembley and Ilford arranged Hospital Visits.
 - Donations to Food Banks were collected from Peckham and Lewisham fire stations prior to Christmas.
 - A hoarding support group was held at Dockhead fire station.





3 Health, Safety & Wellbeing

Our Objectives

2. Protect and promote the health safety and wellbeing of our staff

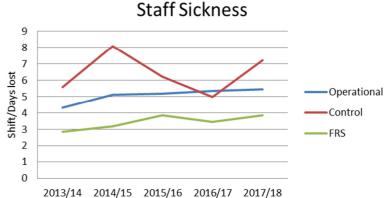
Our Performance

RIDDOR events: 82

Vehicle Events: 465 🔻

Our staff are placed in stressful situations, posing risks to their physical and mental health. Health, safety and wellbeing are very important for us to maintain a productive workforce that can provide a quality service.

- Stress, anxiety and depression (SAD) continues to be the main reason for sickness for FRS and Control staff, and is second after lower limb injuries for operational staff. This includes absences related to the Grenfell Tower incident.
- The increase in RIDDOR events is primarily due to Grenfell.
- Vehicle events continue to drop and are considered low compared to all vehicle movements, the majority continue to occur in non-emergency situations.



HERIXTON MINDFULNESS GARDEN

Key Initiatives

- Having signed the Time to Change pledge to demonstrate our commitment to challenging mental health stigma and the promotion of positive wellbeing within the service, we worked with the mental health charity MIND to set up a Bluelight champions programme. One of those champions started visiting all fire stations to talk to colleagues about mental health problems, resulting in109 Bluelight champions signing up.
- Measures to support staff to maintain a healthy lifestyle and fitness included the reintroduction of mandatory fitness training sessions in watch routines; amending the national fire fighter fitness standard to better reflect London Fire Brigade practice and support from our fitness team for staff.
- Following the tragedy of Grenfell our Counselling and Wellbeing team have supported over 600 staff, with wellbeing checks on the day of the incident, 28 days after, then 3 and 6 months on, with the team increasing in size by a further 4 as a result.
- As part of our focus on engaging staff a short survey of staff was introduced to understand how satisfied they feel about working for us, with the intention of survey updates to keep us informed.
- Our first mindfulness Garden was opened at Brixton Fire Station in recognition of both the stresses that can come with fire fighting activity and the benefits of a peaceful place to rest and focus on other activities.
- 84 premises are know to have asbestos present, with incidences of high risk down to 7 sites, a further 2.5 tonnes were removed through 20 projects, with 5encapsulation projects completed.

4 Equalities and Social Inclusion

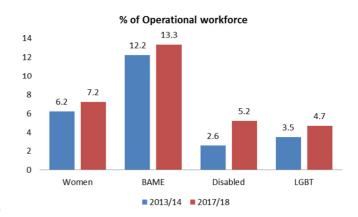
Our Objectives

- 3. Developing a diverse and inclusive workforce, supported by a diverse and inclusive supply chain, serving diverse communities
 - All of our staff groups are continuing to become more diverse, all be it slowly, particularly for our operational staff.
 - Whilst prompt payment to SMEs remains consistently good, spend with SMEs has dropped further as was expected with few major construction projects at present, which previously inflated performance.
 - Key supplier monitoring indicates supply chain spend with SMEs remains consistent, however prompt payment performance is more variable and remains an area of focus.

Our Performance

SME Invoices paid in 10 days: 99.6 %

Spend with SMEs: 12.4 %



Key Initiatives

- We published our 10 year Inclusion strategy Safer Together, which seeks to improve life at work for every single member of staff and deliver a step change in our performance.
- Fire Fighting sexism campaign launched in October 2017 to challenge the use of an outdated term that has not been used in the fire service for some 30 years.
- Firefighters marched alongside London's first rainbow fire engine to show their support for the LGBT+ community.
- Extensive work was undertaken to improve our spend data analysis, which will help us to better understand where the opportunities are to improve our spend with SMEs.







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Recruiting to improve diversity

Launched our recruitment round on International Women's Day, we aimed to break down stereotypes, encouraging applications from women and diverse community members, with a bespoke website, promotional film and targeted digital advertising.

In preparation, our Firefighter Attraction and Outreach Team was re-established, to focus on attracting applications from under-represented groups and to support them to apply. They attended over 100 local events and held 'Attraction Days' at Paddington Fire Station. With an increasing number of women failing physical tests, information on how to prepare and support for personalised fitness plans was put in place.

5 Environment & Climate Change

Our Objectives

- 4. Reduce our CO₂ emissions by 45 per cent from 1990 levels by 2020
- 5. Ensure that we have the capacity to respond to the challenges posed by climate change
- 6. Protect the environment from harm through emergency response and delivery of our service

Our Performance

✓ CO₂ Reduction	45.4% 🔺
✓ Onsite Renewable energy	8.25% 🔺
Water Consumption	127,995 m ³ ▲
Recycling rate	54.9%▲
Zero Emission Capable Fleet	13.2 % 🔺

- Climate change will affect the number of weather related incidents. We attended 402 weather related flooding incidents, a 52% drop from the previous year, however this can vary considerably from year to year. Grass fires continue to represent around 17% of all fires.
- Our travel survey indicated that staff are moving further away from their workplace; and fewer live within reasonable cycling or walking distance, whilst use of public transport for commuting is up (31%) as is business travel by public transport (52 %).

Key Initiatives

- Air Quality: developed an Ultra low Emission Vehicles plan to move toward a zero emission fleet for 2050 and to achieve compliance with the Ultra Low Emission Zone.
- Carbon reduction: a further 4 Solar PV, installed 757.15 kWp across 59 sites to date at, and completed tranche 3 of the RE:FIT works delivering 28 energy and water saving measures such as hearing upgrades, LED lighting and waterless urinals.
- Climate adaptation: Following a review of our critical infrastructure we instigated the procurement of rapid deployment flood barriers to provide protection from flash flooding (e.g. to our control centre).
- Environmental management: held a collaboration day with the Environment Agency, Kent and Surrey fire services focusing on managing environmental incidents and the equipment used.
- Environmental management: Piloted the National Environmental Risk Assessment developed as national guidance to aid in managing environmental risk at incidents.

Degree of Control Stations* Depts.* **Environmental Management System** High 5 Excellent 1 We achieved certification to the new 4 Good 13 14001:2015 ISO Standard in June 2017, a year early, including enhancing the role our top 3 3 Minimum Acceptable management play, demonstrating leadership 2 Λ Poor 0 and commitment. We also identified the important issues that affect our approach to Low Unacceptable 0 0 environmental management and key ISO stakeholders expectations. Our key interested 14001 parties for compliance include the Mayor of Environmental Management London and regulatory bodies (Thames Water, Environment Agency and Natural England). EMS Certificate No. 611954

Further environment and climate data is detailed in $\underline{\mathsf{Appendix}\,\mathsf{A}}$, and relevant environmental regulatory changes and our response are detailed in $\underline{\mathsf{Appendix}\,\mathsf{B}}$

6 Economic Value

Our Objectives

- 7. Support skills and employment for Londoners through the provision of apprenticeship opportunities
- 8. Support businesses in understanding the economic impact and risks of fire and encourage businesses to undertake contingency planning
- 9. Continually improve the social value obtained from the public money we spend

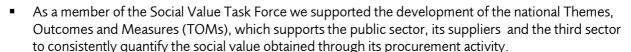
Our Performance



- 3 LFB apprenticeships
- 1 through contracts
- 0 Job starts through contracts
- 176 Contractors staff paid the London Living Wage
- ✓ Mayor's financial savings target: 7.6 m
- We continue to meet the Living Wage Employer terms that all our contractors staff working on our premises are paid the London Livings Wage or better.

Key Initiatives

- Hillingdon Fire Station held its first careers day with partners for 150 students in years 11, 12 and 13 from local schools and colleagues.
- We updated our Responsible Procurement
 Policy to define our approach to delivering
 social value, ensuring it reflects the current challenges facing London and represents best practice.



- All 3 business administration apprentices in the Brigade were offered ongoing employment, with 2 taking up the offer. Work also commenced on expanding the apprenticeship programme to include fire safety roles in future years.
- Our joint work with the Environment Agency to reduce fires in the waste and recycling sector has helped to keep the number of sites considered high risk low when compared to the 18 high risks sites in 2014 when the joint initiative commenced.
- Working with partners we developed national apprenticeship standards for fire fighters, control and fire safety advisors to develop individuals and attract a more diverse range of applicants to these roles.









7 Ensuring that sustainability runs through all our activities

Our Objectives

10. Support our staff to ensure that sustainability runs through all our activities

Our Performance

A level projects² completing SDIAs:
 57.1%▼

Policies completing SDIAs³: 99.8% V

Green Champions: 345

Our Sustainable Development Impact Assessment (SDIA) process provides assurance that the Brigade
is meeting its legal obligations, and complying with Brigade and Mayoral targets, policies and
strategies to reduce environmental impact. This forms part of the controls of our EMS. Whilst high
levels of compliance area achieved for policies performance for corporate projects has dropped
considerably.

Key Initiatives

- 54 stations from 5 Fire Services participated in the first National Energy Savers competition, running through winter to Earth hour in March. London's Eltham Fire Station won with 35% energy saving by switching off lights and turning down radiators.
- Our staff communications survey supported a 28% reduction in the annual print runs of our 2 main publications Operational News and Shout.
- Putting fire stations at the heat of their community we hosted public Blood donor sessions at Shadwell Fire Station and our Headquarters.
- The Ride to Work scheme continued, supporting our staff to cycle to work and we introduced events at stations including Lambeth to support the public to ride safer.
- Cutting back on single use coffee cups, a discount on reusable mugs at our canteen was introduced and we offered LFB Green Travel mugs to all staff making the pledge to cut out disposables.
- We returned to Braidwood Forest established as part of our 150 years celebrations for a Green Champions action day, where staff helped to restock the forest and planted a red oak avenue.





Brigade in Bloom

Our second annual garden competition followed on from offers of wildflower seeds, spring bulbs and bedding plants to stations, highlighting how station and office gardens can support wildlife, food growing and provide health and wellbeing benefits.

Overall winners Brixton created a mindfulness garden, helping fire fighters to manage the stress of challenging incidents, with

the involvement of all 4 watches. All six shortlisted sites received garden vouchers, helping them to continue enhancing their garden spaces.

² Strategic projects with an A level governance

³ Sustainable Development Impact Assessments

Appendix A: Environmental Data Summary

Buildings Resource Use Data	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18
Actual cost of energy (£m)	2.2	2.1	1.9	1.3	2.1
Total energy consumption (GWh)	40.9	38.3	34.9	38.2	38.0
Total floor area (m²)	189,544	186,764	185,565	181,652	177.4 ⁱ
Total energy intensity (kWh/m²)	215.8	205.2	188.3	210.5	214.2
Electricity (GWh)	13.1	12.8	9.2	13.0	12.2
Gas (GWh)	27.8	25.5	22.9	25.2	25.8
Water Consumption (m ³)	119,385	105,906	94,849	94,277	127,995 ⁱⁱ
CO ₂ (t)	11,441	11,064	9,802	10,165	9,927
Onsite renewable energy %	4.2	5.6	6.9	7.2	8.2
Onsite renewable energy kWh				731.9	757.1
CO_2 reduction from buildings from 1990 $\%^{ii}$	-38.1	-38.6	-45.6	-43.7 ^{iv}	-45.6
Building Energy Ratings	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18
Α	0	0	2	1	1
В	6	8	9	13	16
С	60	61	56	54	60
D	35	21	27	31	25
E	10	10	9	7	5
F	2	3	3	3	1
G	3	2	1	1	1
Not rated	0	0	0	2	0
Fleet Data	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18
Total No. LFEPA vehicles	518	514	508	467	433 ^v
Diesel fuel frontline fleet (Mlitres)	1,312	1,143	1,158	1,563	1,165
Petrol fuel frontline fleet (Mlitres	-	-	-	-	10.5
% non road vehicles	3.5	1.6	1.6	3.9	1.9
% Pre-Euro to Euro II ^{vi}	4.1	4.5	4.5	0.9	0.9
% Euro III	66.2	66.3	66.0	61.2	49.6
% Euro IV	23.5	22.2	22.4	9.2	9.5
% Euro V	2.7	5.4	5.5	9.0	9.7
% Euro VI				3.6	15.2
% Zero Emission Capable				12.2	13.2
Frontline fleet CO_2 Emissions (t)	3,532	2,988	2,985	4,071	3,147
Fleet Cars EV charging CO ₂ (t)				14.0	15.1
Grey fleet miles	1,037,351	684,561	617,963	688,459	602,704
Grey fleet CO_2 emissions (t)	306	202.3	183.6	203.6	175.3
Air Travel	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18
Miles Travelled	480,747	302,653	329,169	839,669	501,898
CO ₂ from Air Travel (t)	173	75	86	112	94
Total CO2	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18
Total CO ₂ (t) ^{)vii}	15,452	14,352	13,057	14,566	13,359
Total CO ₂ reduction from 1990 %	-36.9	-39.4	-46.7	-40.5	-45.4

Waste & Recycling	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18
Mixed recycling (t)	1,233	1,038	671.6	422.1	408.5
Food waste recycled (t)	19.87	14.13	12.00	80.0	95.5
Waste to energy (t) viii	12.40	19.89	16.30	424.0	414.2
Waste to landfill (t) ^{ix}	0	0	2.99	2.8	0
Batteries recycled (t)	1.57	1.66	2.6	2.0	0.97
Textiles recycled (t)	2.32	4.08	1.20	1.98	1.62
Mobile phones recycled (volume)	0	0	925	0	0 ^x
Toner cartridges (volume)	1572	0	1775	995	O ^{xi}
Hose recycled (t)	3.7	3.9	3.6	5.9	6.0
Recycling rate (%) ^{xii}	99.01	98.22	95.6	54.1	54.9
Total Waste produced (tonnes) ^{xiii}	1,273	1,082	722.3	929.0	926.8
Fire Fighter Charity Donations (£k)	13.7	14.9	21.6	22	4.1 ^{xiv}
Environmental Incidents	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18
Suspected Hazmat incidents	4852	4707	5101	5409	5659
HMEPO incident attendance	639	499	596	526	573
Weather related flooding ^{xv}	-	-	466	832	402
Grass fires	3539	2802	3589	3480	3284
Significant Spills at our premises	0	0	0	0	0
Near misses recorded at our premises ^{xvi}	4	0	0	2	1
Compliments and Complaints	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18
Corporate Compliments ^{xvii}	0	0	0	0	0
Corporate Complaints	0	0	0	0	0

ⁱ Floor spaced reduced due to the sale of Southwark Training Centre and increased tenant space

x Old phones have been stored for recycling as part of the next phone replacement.

ii New supplier estimated readings (considered high) takes actual readings every 2 years, improved meter reading will form part of the next tender

iii CO₂ emissions are reported as absolute figures.

iv Amended from error of -44.58% in 2016/17 report published.

^v Vehicle reductions are due to a review of requirements for support vehicles, London resilience vehicles, and previously approved reductions of pumping appliances and specialist vehicles.

vi Figures are based on engine standard on registration only and do not reflect any modifications.

vii We report direct and indirect emissions from our buildings, fleet and air travel in line with the Greenhouse Gas Protocol (GGP) and the Mayors Climate Change Mitigation and Energy Strategy.

viii Our contractor during 13/14 to 15/16 operated a dirty Material Recovery Facility, significantly increasing materials recycled.

^{ix} Waste and recycling for our Control centre was managed under a separate contract to our other sites from 15/16 to 16/17, with waste landfilled, data for this site was only identified for inclusion from 15/16.

xi Used toner cartridges were stored for recycling during 2017/18 as the collection volume was too low.

xii Our recycling rate refers to tonnes recycled through waste and recycling contracts for our premises, tonnes of other items recycled e.g. batteries are considered too low to include.

xiii Total waste produced includes all materials for which we have weight based data.

xiv Yet to include textile recycling, EAKO undertook business investment to provide a more sustainable long term footing including additional employees, reducing profits and therefore donation, which are expected to increase in future years.

^{xv} Weather related flooding was introduced as a category in our incidents recording system from June 2014.

xvi A near miss recorded on our premises is were a minor spill occurred and was contained

xvii Specific to the environment theme.

Appendix B: Sustainability Legislation Changes

Below are details of the changes to legislation for 2017/18 with relevance to sustainable development and the Brigade.

Legislation	Action taken
The Fluorinated Greenhouse Gases (Amendment) Regulations 2018	
These Regulations introduce a new civil penalties scheme to replace the existing criminal penalty regime for infringements of the EU Fluorinated Greenhouse Gases Regulation	LFB is required to keep records of applications which contain 3kg or more F-gases
Operators of applications containing 3kg or more F-gases must keep records of the quantity and type of F-gases installed. Failure to produce a document or record when required to do so is now subject to civil penalties.	9