



News Release

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Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service Intern Wins Intern of the Year

Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service (LFRS) are delighted to share the news that LFRS summer intern, Christina Cooper, was awarded the 'University of Leicester 2023 Intern of the Year' award. Christina stood out for her exceptional contributions to the Corporate Communications and HR Recruitment departments.

Christina joined the Service for a six-week summer internship as part of the University of Leicester's 'Citizens of Change' programme, in which undergraduate students have the opportunity to apply for a range of summer internships with organisations across Leicestershire.

Christina said, "I thoroughly enjoyed my internship; it provided me with invaluable learning opportunities and experiences, as well as having the pleasure of connecting with so many amazing people during my time there.

"I never anticipated being nominated for an award. The awards night was a fantastic chance to connect with fellow interns, employers, and staff at the University, although none of their experiences seemed as cool as mine.

"I felt just having been nominated was incredible but winning brought me great joy. Reading the review was wonderful and provided a deep sense of appreciation, which has motivated me to keep striving for my future goals."

Corporate Communications Manager, Isobel Hall, said: "We are incredibly proud of Christina's fantastic achievement, and seeing her accomplishments recognised by the University of Leicester is a testament to the quality of our internship program and the calibre of individuals we attract."

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Notes to Editors:

Interviews can be arranged through prior arrangement with Corporate Communications on the details below.

About the Service

Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service provides emergency response, prevention and protection services from 20 stations across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. Its headquarters is based in Birstall, Leicester.

During 2021/22, we attended a total of 8,259 emergency incidents, including 1,968 fires and 707 road traffic collisions. A total of 12,938 Home Safety Checks were completed and we fitted 3,546 smoke alarms. 233 schools were visited as part of the Service's schools programme, delivering fire and road safety education to 6,724 pupils.

The Service's prevention, education, enforcement and inspection programmes have resulted in significant reductions in the number of incidents attended.

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