



LEICESTERSHIRE FIRE and RESCUE SERVICE

MEDIA OPPORTUNITY

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THE HINCKLEY FIRE STATION RUDOLPH FUND

Tuesday 14 March at 19:00 hours
Hinckley Fire and Rescue Station

The Hinckley Fire Station Rudolph Fund was set up over 30 years ago by firefighters wanting to spread the magic of Christmas to the community of Hinckley and its surrounding villages.

As it is every year, it was welcomed by the local community in 2016 and they helped Hinckley Fire and Rescue Station raise a substantial amount of money, £3,000.

Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service wouldn't have been able to do this without the generosity from the members of our local communities and the commitment from volunteers and staff. The Service wants to say a big thank you – it wouldn't have been possible without you.

Andrew Brodie, Assistant Chief Fire and Rescue Officer, will be presenting the Funds chosen charity, The Fire Fighters Charity, with a cheque at Hinckley Fire and Rescue Station. Marie Eaves from Asda Supermarket will also be present on the day to also handover a cheque to The Fire Fighters Charity on behalf of Asda, whose Hinckley store raised funds via their in store Green Token Scheme.

Andrew Brodie said: "I am touched by the generosity of the residents of Hinckley and its surrounding villages."

"The Hinckley Fire Station Rudolph Fund collection has been going for many years now and, although we never take it for granted, it has been a huge success again."

"We hope these funds will enable The Fire Fighters Charity to continue the vital work they do, supporting beneficiaries through a broad range of services."

Hinckley Fire Station's Rudolph will be back on the roads in December 2017 so make sure you keep a look out for him.

We are looking to both local and national media to help raise the profile of the Hinckley Fire Station Rudolph Fund and we would appreciate your attendance at this cheque presentation.

Where to find Hinckley Fire and Rescue Station:

Leicester Road, Hinckley, Leicestershire, LE10 1IL

If you are planning on attending, can you please confirm your attendance in advance by contacting the Corporate Communications team on the details shown below.

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Notes to editors: Interviews can be arranged via Corporate Communications. If you are unable to attend a selection of images will be available on request. If you are unable to attend, photos will be available on request.

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.

The Service's prevention, education, enforcement and inspection programmes have resulted in significant reductions in the number of incidents. In the last ten years, fire related incidents have reduced by 46 percent.

During 2015/16, the Service attended 666 road traffic collisions, of which 174 were extrications freeing 208 people trapped inside their vehicles and completed 5086 home fire safety checks, fitting almost 4481 smoke alarms. Staff organised or supported almost 1431 events aimed at promoting fire and road safety and arson prevention, whilst also visiting 332 schools to deliver fire and road safety education to pupils.

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