

News Release

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Fatal House Fire in Kirby Muxloe

Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service received a call at 03:29 this morning (Friday 5 April) to a property fire in Church Road, Kirby Muxloe.

Fire appliances from Leicester's Southern, Western, and Central Fire Stations, as well as the Command Support Vehicle and the Aerial Ladder Platform attended the incident and were supported by Leicestershire Police and East Midlands Ambulance Service.

The incident was dealt with quickly by firefighters, however, two occupants of the property were located and sadly pronounced dead at the scene. This is a terrible tragedy and our thoughts are with the family, friends and acquaintances of the deceased.

The cause of the fire is being jointly investigated by Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service and Leicestershire Police.

Further information will be released once we have concluded our investigations.

A wide range of tips on how to keep yourself and your home safe from fire are available on Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Services website which can be found by visiting leics-fire.gov.uk.

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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.

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 43 percent.

During 2016/17, the Service attended 694 road traffic collisions, of which 148 were extrications from vehicles, in addition to 2,259 fires. 272 schools were visited as part of the Service's schools programme, delivering fire and road safety education to pupils. Staff organised or took part in 1,613 community safety events, promoting fire and road safety and arson prevention, and 145 Virtual Fatal Four (VF4) events as part of the Service's young drivers' road safety project.

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