

News Release

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Wholetime Firefighter Recruitment Now Open!

Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service are recruiting Wholetime firefighters at a number of stations across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.

Being a firefighter at Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service offers you an exciting and rewarding career with a real opportunity for progression. You may have the perception that the fire and rescue service only put out fires, but this is far from reality. As a firefighter you will respond to incidents, but you will also take part in prevention and protection work in order to help reduce the chances of incidents happening in the first place.



As a firefighter every day is different. You can be involved with: rescues from water and height; animal rescue; road traffic collisions; home fire safety checks; business fire safety checks; school visits and community education; engaging with communities and working with vulnerable people; transport incidents such as railways and airports; threats of terrorism; hazardous material spills; gaining entry to property. The list is endless, but helping to protect society against all of these dangers requires an innovative approach and new kinds of skills and knowledge.

Callum Faint, Chief Fire and Rescue Officer, said: "Safer People, Safer Places is at the heart of everything we do at Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service. Could you make a difference to your community, and help contribute to 'safer people, safer places'?"

“Whether you have aspirations of being a firefighter, or you’re looking to change career, this is the ideal opportunity to make a real difference in your community.”



The recruitment website for applications for Wholetime firefighter vacancies is now open.

The deadline for submitting an application is Wednesday 13 October 2021, so don't delay!

For more information on our recruitment campaign and to apply for a firefighter position, visit www.leics-fire.gov.uk/wholetime and follow the steps taking you through to the recruitment portal.

For more in-depth information to help assist you throughout the recruitment process, visit the [Frequently Asked Questions](#) section on the website.

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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 2019/20, we attended a total of 8,541 emergency incidents, including 2,079 fires and 748 road traffic collisions. A total of 7,274 Home Safety Checks were completed and we fitted 4,720 smoke alarms. 305 schools were visited as part of the Service's schools programme, delivering fire and road safety education to 26,218 pupils. Staff organised or took part in 1,218 community safety activities, totalling over 11,000 hours of time engaging with members of the public.

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 over 30 percent.

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