4. FIRE SERVICE PERFORMANCE REPORT

The committee considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service providing an update on the activity within the ward for the period up to 31 March 2017.

Attached to the report at Appendix 1 was a summary report that provided a series of graphs showing details of accidental fire dwellings, fire casualties and fatalities, deliberate fires, fires in non-domestic properties, non-fatal non-fire emergency casualties and unwanted fire alarm signals.

The Fire Officer then provided an update on these graphs noting that wheelie bin fires continued to be a problem in the ward as it did in most other wards in West Lothian and that the Fire Service was reviewing its strategy on working with schools on fire raising and other fire safety matters and trying to adopt a more targeted approach.

It was also noted that there continued to be partnership working between the council and the Fire Service in terms of home safety visits and working with new council tenants.

Members welcomed the positive report and commended the Fire Service on taking a more pro-active approach to fire safety measures.

Decision

To note the contents of the report