



**LONDON FIRE  
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PLANNING AUTHORITY**

# **London Safety Plan Strategic Issues**

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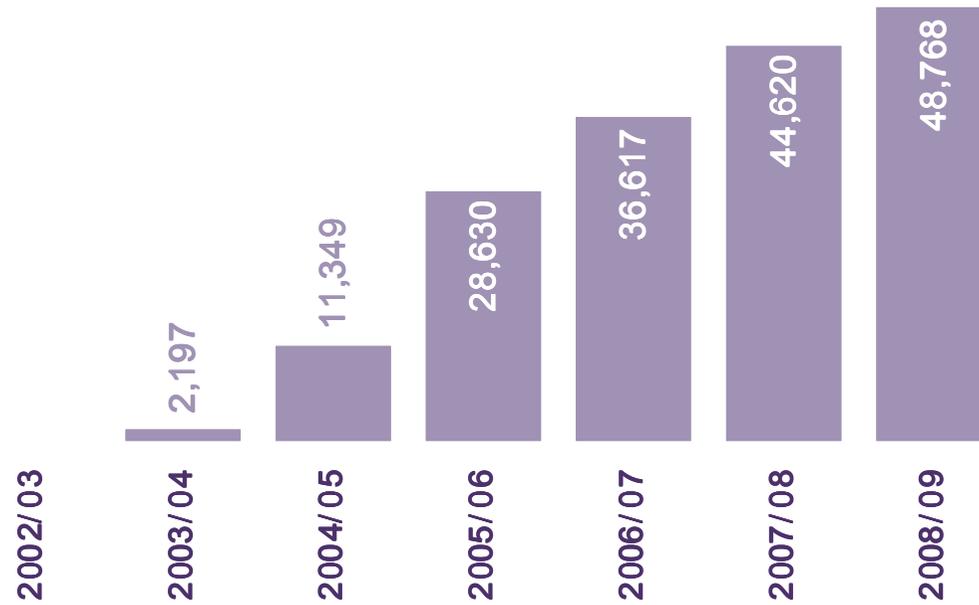
# London Safety Plan 4

- Key priorities and targets for London Fire Brigade April 2010-April 2013
- Draft document available for consultation from November 2009
- Input needed on some of the ideas that might be included

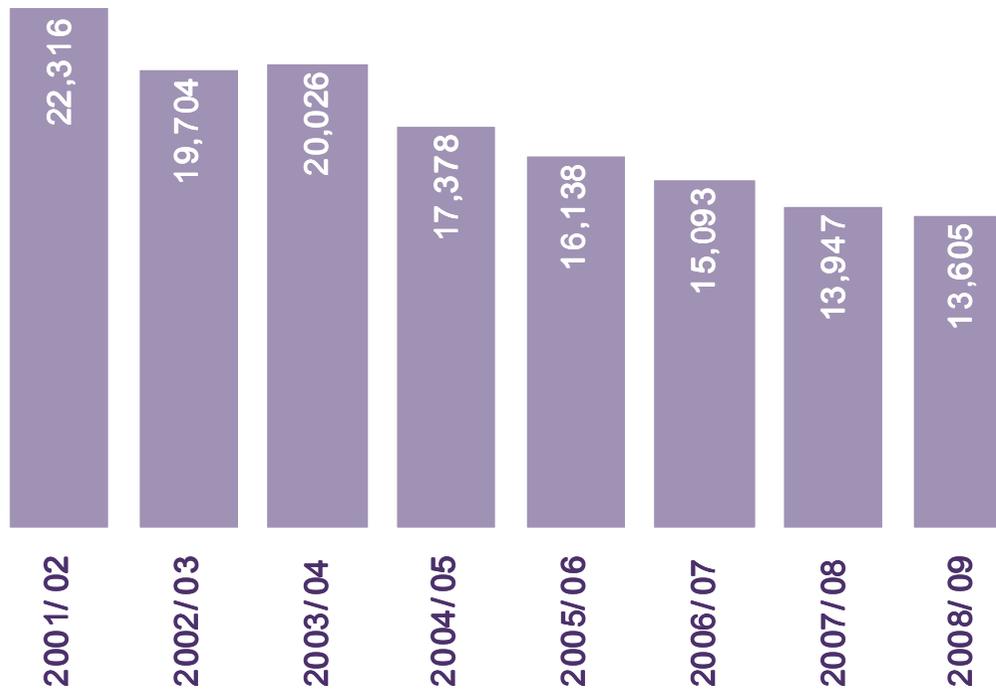
# Lowest rate of fires in London for at least 40 years

London has 4.37 fires a year per  
1,000 – **the lowest in the UK**

# ....an increase in Home Fire Safety Visits



# ...a decrease in serious fires



# Financial performance of LFEPA

- Exceeded targets – achieved saving of £33 million in CSR 2004 period
- By end of CSR 2007 period £20m savings will be made

# Pressures on the Fire Service

*“Fire and Rescue Service could save up to £ 200 million without compromising safety”*

Audit Commission, December 2008

## Where next...

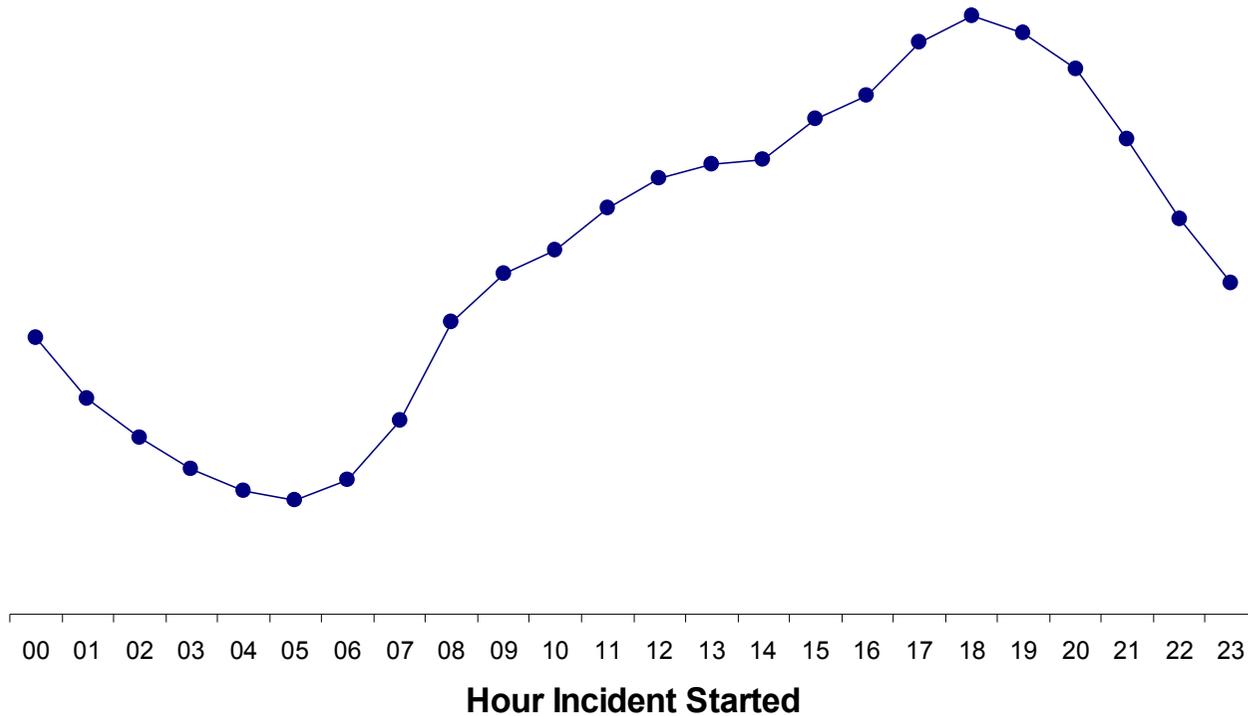
- Continued focus on community safety and fire prevention
- Greater efficiency and effectiveness
- A different, more efficient, deployment of emergency resources
- Further, more challenging performance targets
- A greater role in emergency planning

# **Future efficiency and effectiveness**

- Significant savings needed to make budget sustainable
- Efficiency a core part of our future
- Aim to keep council tax low

# Incident rates over a day

number of incidents that commence during each hour



# Change resourcing patterns?

- 24/7 – full time cover by over 240 appliances
- Lower incidence of fire, particularly at night
- Differing levels of deployment over the daily cycle could improve efficiency

# Our role in emergency planning

- Already have responsibility for coordinating borough planning
- Provide emergency planning training run exercises
- Key partner in London's overall resilience
- London Local Authority Coordination Centre (LLACC)

# LLACC in action – 7 July example

- Activated the Borough Emergency Control Centres (BECCs)
- Managed 24 hour Local Authority Gold cover and continuity
- Handled over 3,000 calls between 7 and 15 July 2005
- Collated information on local authority expenditure

## Developing this role

- Snow in February 2009
- Swine 'flu
- Role is widening
- Recognition of the role is needed

# What you can do to help shape LSP4 and future of fire service in London

- Dedicated issue of LFEPA update
- Draft LSP4 published in November for public consultation
- Your Borough Commander available to discuss these or any other issues with you