



Arson Control Forum

Topic	Arson
Title	Vehicle Arson
Organisation	Dorset Fire and Rescue Service
Date	2007

Additional Information

Following the initial distribution, further leaflets without vouchers were distributed to raise awareness of the problem in other areas.

Editorials highlighting the issue were inserted in local publications.

Issue

- Need to combat recent substantial increase in car fires in older makes and models
- Need to increase owners' awareness of vehicle safety issues

Actions Taken

- Initiative launched in partnership with the police to increase awareness of vehicle safety and to offer vehicle locks at reduced rates
- Leaflets produced to highlight risk of older cars being stolen and set alight
- Local supplier for locks sourced. Discount voucher for vehicle lock included in each leaflet.
- Leaflets distributed via Police Community Safety Officers

Summary of Benefits Realised

- Substantial reduction in the number of deliberate car fires. From 294 deliberate vehicle fires in 2005/06 – to 204 deliberate vehicle fires in 2008/09, equating to a 30% reduction.

Contact

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