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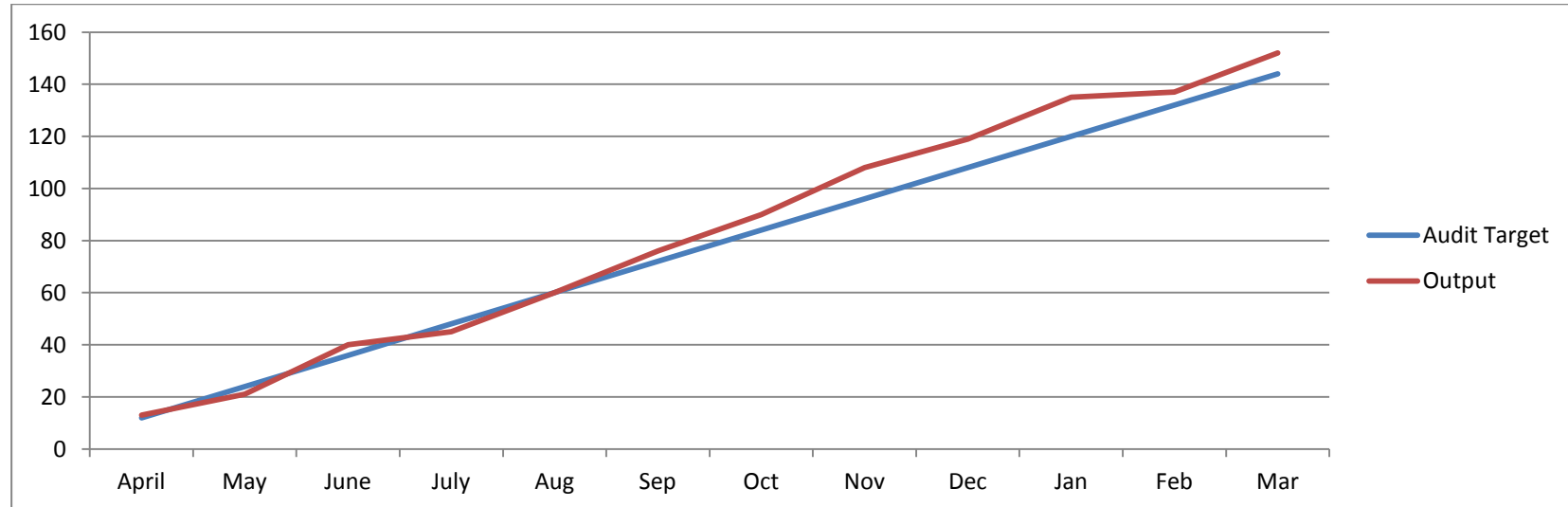
East Lothian Q4 2015-16

Prevention & Protection Activities

Fire Safety Enforcement Audits

The figures represent the audit workloads delivered by the East Lothian Fire Safety Enforcement Officer (FSEO). Following the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) Enforcement Framework, local deployment ensures compliance for relevant premises in terms of the Fire Scotland Act (2005) and associated Fire Safety Regulations. This end of year report highlights that the annual target has been exceeded with **152 audits** being delivered in premises across East Lothian.

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Target:	12	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	108	120	132	144	144
Completed:	13	21	40	45	60	76	90	108	119	135	137	152	152

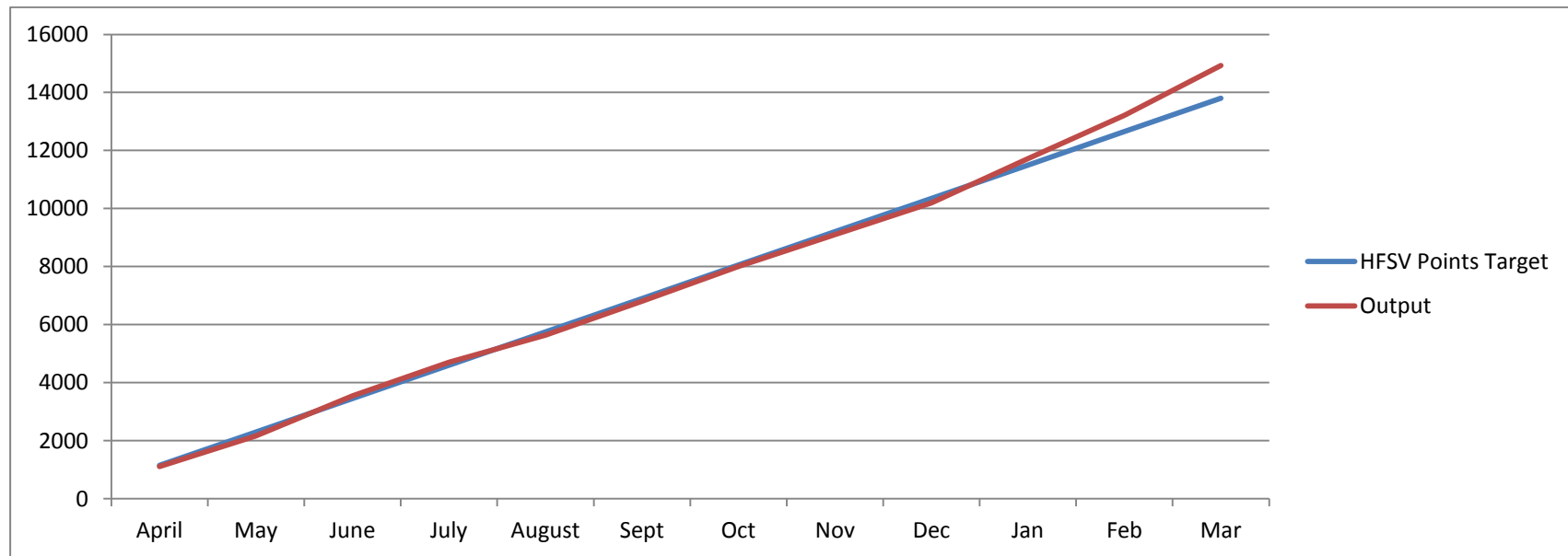


Home Fire Safety Visits

The delivery of Home Fire Safety Visits (HFSVs) is the corner stone of the SFRS Community Safety Engagement Framework. By visiting households and providing fire safety advice and smoke alarms the numbers of dwelling fires and casualties will be reduced. To target the highest risk households across East Lothian, a points allocation based on risk and associated target has been set (24 points per high, 8 per medium, 4 per low risk visit). This will ensure valuable resources are put to use with greatest effect.

This quarter has seen our points total for visits being exceeded (as shown below) and in **East Lothian for 2015/16 a total of 1419 visits have been delivered.**

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Target	1150	2300	3450	4600	5750	6900	8050	9200	10350	11500	12650	13800	13800
Completed	1108	2164	3548	4700	5636	6804	8000	9104	10196	11716	13216	14924	14924



Total Number Of Home Fire Safety Visits By Risk Category

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
High	25	27	29	29	24	20	25	23	29	24	46	55
Medium	51	41	70	46	39	60	65	61	42	61	52	53
Low	21	28	45	47	22	41	38	40	27	35	30	24

Total Number Of Smoke Detectors Fitted By Risk Category

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
High	15	16	13	12	14	16	16	15	15	15	18	32
Medium	31	18	30	28	14	40	41	30	25	38	37	30
Low	10	7	12	9	5	12	13	17	9	11	11	9

Partnership Working

The pilot prevention initiative in East Lothian, reported at the last scrutiny meeting, has been a focus within the area in terms of partnership working in quarter 4. The pilot is focusing on the over 65s and under 5s and will look at improving home safety for these target groups, importantly not just from a fire risk perspective.

- The contact team at Penston House have had input and are registered on the SFRS Community Safety Engagement Toolkit (CSET) which allows them to make direct referrals into the system. This allows the SFRS to allocate resources on a risk basis based on information provided.
- A falls screening form has been drafted for use by SFRS staff when at risk person is identified during HFSV i.e. person 65+ or person with mobility issues.
- Falls assessment training for SFRS has now been planned to commence at the end of May beginning of June and will involve Musselburgh in the first instance.
- A referral pathway will be established where SFRS will refer persons at risk of falls or who have fallen to the appropriate health care professionals for more detailed /tailored assessment, it is planned that this will improve response and intervention and reduce unintentional harm in the home.
- During quarter 4 a number of aids and adaptations were purchased by the SFRS to support the initiative. E.g. bath mats, walking stick ferrules, plug pullers, cupboard locks, blind cleats, corner protectors, plug protectors, etc.
- Funding provided by the SFRS to enable the pilot project has been used and a more sustainable funding stream will have to be considered should it continue or expand.

The Spring thematic action plan delivered for East Lothian in quarter 4 had a focus on reduction of deliberate fires as the nights became lighter and in the lead up to the Easter holidays. 19 activities were delivered across the area with a focus on young people which involved firefighters visiting schools and nurseries to provide advice on fire safety and the potential consequences of playing with fire or starting deliberate fires.

During February and March a spate of fires in the Musselburgh area caused significant concern and damage. Ranging from vehicle fires and fishing boats to a common storage area in flats these 19 incidents involved a number of agencies, predominantly SFRS, Police Scotland and East Lothian Council. SFRS resources from Musselburgh Community Fire Station dealt with the fire incidents but also deployed in the area providing community re-assurance and advice. This was tailored to minimise the risk of deliberate fires, particularly where people or property were involved.