

# Do you know what your children are doing?



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FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE



***PREVENTING PROTECTING RESPONDING***

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## Have you noticed an increase in the number of fire engines and fires around your neighbourhood lately?

- ⚠️ Firefighters and fire engines are sometimes attacked in our communities
- ⚠️ Motor vehicles are set on fire deliberately, leading to danger of explosion and the release of toxic smoke and fumes
- ⚠️ Outdoor fires are being started deliberately
- ⚠️ Wheelie bins are often set on fire deliberately
- ⚠️ Sometimes hoax calls are made from your community

## Often young people are responsible. Are your children involved?

If you suspect they are, or they are involved with those responsible, please explain to them the possible results of their actions

- ⚠️ A fire engine cannot be in two places at the same time
- ⚠️ When our firefighters are attending a hoax call, they cannot be at a real emergency
- ⚠️ A hoax call is a **CRIME** and could lead to prosecution
- ⚠️ Starting a fire deliberately could result in a £5,000 fine or 6 months imprisonment
- ⚠️ Endangering life by deliberately starting a fire could lead to life imprisonment

## Lives are being put at risk!

- ⚠️ Next time it could be your family or friends that need our help
- ⚠️ Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service have a free, confidential programme offering education and advice to anyone aged 17 years and under, who may be exhibiting signs of fire setting behaviour. If you are concerned about a young person who is involved in fire setting behaviour and would like to refer them onto the programme call 0800 555 815

Speak out anonymously about crime in your community by contacting



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