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Dear Vanessa

Official Information Request - F2232690: Awatere Valley Rd, Marlborough

I refer to your official information request which was received on 08 June 2017. In accordance with the provisions of the Official Information Act 1982 I enclose our Incident Report, part of the information you requested.

Fire Risk Management Officer Rob Dalton will be preparing a Fire Investigation Report in due course. Once this has been completed, I will email a copy on to you.

Yours sincerely

Steve Turek
Fire Region Manager

SMS Incident Report

12/06/2017 08:11:13

Summary

CAD Number F2232690 **Status** Closed

Station Seddon Volunteer Fire Brigade

Incident Started 24/01/2017 20:23:02 **Incident Ended** 25/01/2017 01:15:20

Incident Type 1101: Structure fire with damage

Common Name BLACK BIRCH HOMESTEAD

Address / 1827 Awatere Valley Road Awatere Valley

Alarm Method 111 Telephone **Alarm Level** 1

PFA Number

Zone 322914

Map Grid E 1674444 **Map Grid N** 5381211

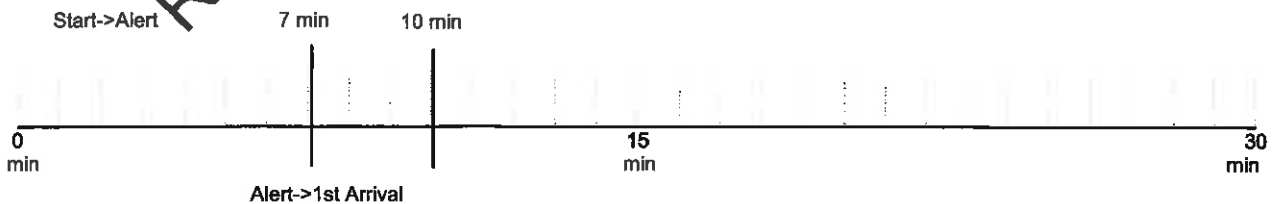
First Caller [REDACTED] **First Caller Contact** [REDACTED]

Incident Closed 25/01/2017 01:15:20

Report Completed 10:59, Wed 08 Feb 2017 [REDACTED]

Responses

Call Sign	Type	Station Alert	Enroute Time	Arrival Time	Departed
AWAT2976	WT	20:23:48 24 Jan 2017	20:34:52 24 Jan 2017	20:52:33 24 Jan 2017	00:22:13 25 Jan 2017
AWAT2971	RP	20:23:49 24 Jan 2017	20:32:52 24 Jan 2017	20:54:54 24 Jan 2017	22:32:24 24 Jan 2017
BLEN242	P2	20:29:32 24 Jan 2017	20:34:40 24 Jan 2017	21:03:07 24 Jan 2017	23:09:52 24 Jan 2017
SEDD297	PR	20:24:00 24 Jan 2017	20:29:00 24 Jan 2017	21:07:53 24 Jan 2017	00:15:29 25 Jan 2017
BLEN0975	WT	20:36:56 24 Jan 2017	20:48:48 24 Jan 2017	21:27:24 24 Jan 2017	23:09:48 24 Jan 2017
WARD2811	WT	20:39:34 24 Jan 2017	20:52:13 24 Jan 2017	21:31:30 24 Jan 2017	00:11:00 25 Jan 2017
VSOTASMAL3	ESG	22:07:55 24 Jan 2017	22:25:59 24 Jan 2017	23:41:16 24 Jan 2017	00:36:55 25 Jan 2017
RURALMARL1	RFO	20:23:47 24 Jan 2017			20:39:46 24 Jan 2017
RURALMARL2	RFO				20:39:47 24 Jan 2017



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Elapsed Times

Call Sign	Start To Alert	Alert To Arrival	Start To Arrival	Start To Departed
AWAT2976	00:00:46	00:28:45	00:29:31	03:59:11
AWAT2971	00:00:47	00:31:05	00:31:52	02:09:22
BLEN242	00:06:30	00:33:35	00:40:05	02:46:50
SEDD297	00:01:04	00:43:47	00:44:51	03:52:27
BLEN0975	00:13:54	00:50:28	01:04:22	02:47:46
WARD2811	00:16:32	00:51:56	01:08:28	03:47:58
VSOTASMAL3	01:44:53	01:33:21	03:18:14	04:13:53
RURALMARL1	00:00:45			00:16:44
RURALMARL2				00:16:45

Notifications

Date	Time	Party Notified
24 Jan 2017	20:26:42	MY CALLER THINKS ITS A HOUSE FIRE BUT LOOKING THROUGH BINOCULARS
24 Jan 2017	20:27:36	RFO JOHN FOLLEY ACK'D
24 Jan 2017	20:33:20	MARLBOROUGH LINES
24 Jan 2017	21:11:04	RFO UPDATED WITH SITREP
24 Jan 2017	21:12:06	PAGED ON CALL FI DAN GREEN
24 Jan 2017	21:15:15	VSO PAGED
24 Jan 2017	21:19:01	DAN GREENE CALLED - UNABLE TO CONTACT SEDD297
24 Jan 2017	21:19:55	CFO SEDDON NOT LISTED IN PAGER
24 Jan 2017	21:35:28	FI DAN GREENE CALLED THROUGH AGAIN - UNABLE TO CALL SEDD297 - PHONE NUMBER
24 Jan 2017	21:37:36	VSO JONES UPDATED
24 Jan 2017	22:00:18	PAGED ON CAL VSO MARLB/TASM TO CONTACT FIRECOM RE CYLINDERS
24 Jan 2017	22:07:12	VSO JONES ACK - WILL HAVE TO RETURN HOME FOR HIS VEHICLE

Message Log

Time	Message
20:23:31	INC INFO: RUBBISH FIRE
20:23:34	** LOI search completed at 24/01/17 20:23:34
20:23:38	** Recommended unit RURALMARL1 for requirement RFO (>16.8 km)
20:23:38	** Recommended unit AWAT2976 for requirement TANKER (>5.2 km)
20:23:38	** Recommended unit AWAT2971 for requirement RPUMP (>5.2 km)
20:23:38	** Recommended unit SEDD297 for requirement PUMP (>5.2 km)
20:23:46	18K UP TOWARDS MOLESWORTH.
20:24:00	BLACKBIRCH HOMESTEAD
20:24:12	RUBBISH FIRE GOT IN TO VEGETATION

20:24:24	WX CALM.
20:25:19	.
20:25:34	T/O SELCAL FAILED FOR SEDDON, ADHOC FAILED, BACKUP FAILED, PAGING SUCCEEDED
20:25:35	.
20:26:00	** Event Location changed from "AWATERE VALLEY RD,SEDDON,MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT"
20:26:00	to "NULL,AWATERE VALLEY,MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT: @BLACK BIRCH HOMESTEAD" at:
20:26:00	24/01/17 20:26:00
20:26:10	** LOI search completed at 24/01/17 20:26:10
20:26:13	INC INFO: HOUSE FIRE NEAR BLACK BIRCH STREAM
20:26:13	Duplicate Event:Location = AWATERE VALLEY RD,AWATERE VALLEY,MARLBOROUGH
20:26:13	DISTRICT, Type = STRU - STRUCTURE FIRE, Caller Ph Number = [REDACTED], Call
20:26:13	Source = 111Inc InfoHOUSE FIRE NEAR BLACK BIRCH STREAM, Event Source = Fire 111
20:26:13	End of Duplicate Event data
20:27:10	//GREEN//
20:27:14	AL: PAGING ACK TIMED OUT FOR STATION: 3229 at 24/01/17 20:27:14
20:27:16	AL: PAGING ACK TIMED OUT FOR STATION: 3229 at 24/01/17 20:27:16
20:27:16	AL: PAGING ACK TIMED OUT FOR STATION: 3229 at 24/01/17 20:27:16
20:27:17	Unit SEDD297 [KP : PRIORITY MESSAGE]
20:28:05	Unit RURALMARL1 [K22-1 : UNIT AVAILABLE FOR A FURTHER EVENT]
20:28:14	Duplicate Event:Location = AWATERE VALLEY RD,AWATERE VALLEY,MARLBOROUGH
20:28:14	INC INFO: FIRE - POSSIBLY HOUSE
20:28:14	DISTRICT, Type = VEG - VEGETATION FIRE, Caller Ph Number = [REDACTED], Call
20:28:14	Source = 111Inc InfoFIRE - POSSIBLY HOUSE, Event Source = Fire 111
20:28:14	End of Duplicate Event data
20:28:15	Unit SEDD297 [COMCEN COM : MESSAGE] TURNOUT PASSED
20:29:00	Duplicate Event:Location = AWATERE VALLEY RD,AWATERE VALLEY,MARLBOROUGH
20:29:00	Unit SEDD297 [KM : PROCEEDING TO INCIDENT]
20:29:00	INC INFO: HOUSE FIRE NEAREST RIVER
20:29:00	DISTRICT, Type = STRU - STRUCTURE FIRE, Caller Ph Number = [REDACTED] Call
20:29:00	Source = 111Inc InfoHOUSE FIRE NEAREST RIVER, Event Source = Fire 111
20:29:00	End of Duplicate Event data
20:29:13	** Event Type changed from VEG to STRU at: 24/01/17 20:29:13
20:29:13	** Event Priority changed from 2 to 1 at: 24/01/17 20:29:13
20:29:13	INC INFO: HOUSE FIRE
20:29:18	** Recommended unit BLEN242 for requirement PUMP (>23.4 km)
20:29:42	AL: PAGING ACK RECEIVED FROM STATION 3224 at 24/01/17 20:29:42
20:29:59	CONFIRMED IT WAS A HOUSE FIRE JUST UP THE ROAD FROM BLACK BIRCH BRIDGE
20:31:08	Unit SEDD297 [COMCEN COM : MESSAGE] FURTHER INFO PASSED (RESPOND BLENHEIM)
20:31:08	AFFIRM, TURNED OUT
20:32:14	Unit SEDD297 [KC : UNIT CALLING]

20:32:25	Unit SEDD297 [KC : UNIT CALLING]
20:32:49	Unit SEDD297 [K11E : ELECTRICAL AUTHORITY REQUIRED]
20:32:52	Unit AWAT2971 [K1 : PROCEEDING TO INCIDENT]
20:34:41	Unit BLEN242 [K1 : PROCEEDING TO INCIDENT]
20:34:47	Unit BLEN242 [K1 : PROCEEDING TO INCIDENT]
20:34:53	Unit AWAT2976 [K1 : PROCEEDING TO INCIDENT]
20:35:48	Unit SEDD297 [KC : UNIT CALLING]
20:35:59	Unit BLEN242 [K1 : PROCEEDING TO INCIDENT]
20:36:33	Duplicate Event:Location = AWATERE VALLEY RD,AWATERE VALLEY,MARLBOROUGH
20:36:33	DISTRICT, Type = STRU - STRUCTURE FIRE, Caller Name = [REDACTED], Caller Ph
20:36:33	Number = [REDACTED] Caller Address = [REDACTED]
20:36:33	[REDACTED] Call Source = 111Inc InfoDARK GREY SMOKE, Event Source = Fire 111
20:36:34	INC INFO: DARK GREY SMOKE
20:36:34	End of Duplicate Event data
20:36:43	Unit SEDD297 [SITREP :] VISUAL ON SMOKE , 20KM UP VALLEY, MAKE TANKERS 2
20:36:48	** Requirement TORT added for alarm level 1
20:36:51	** Recommended unit BLEN0975 for requirement ADHOC TORT (>20.1 km)
20:37:00	[REDACTED] CALLER RANG BACK. IT IS THE BLACK BIRCH HOMESTEAD THAT IS ON FIRE AND
20:37:00	Duplicate Event:Location = AWATERE VALLEY RD,AWATERE VALLEY,MARLBOROUGH
20:37:00	DISTRICT, Type = STRU - STRUCTURE FIRE, Caller Name = [REDACTED] Caller Ph
20:37:00	IT'S ALL BUT ON THE DECK
20:37:00	Number = [REDACTED] Caller Address = [REDACTED]
20:37:00	INC INFO:
20:37:00	DISTRICT, Call Source = 111, Event Source = Fire 111
20:37:00	End of Duplicate Event data
20:38:20	Unit SEDD297 [CONCEN COM : MESSAGE] CONFIRMED IT IS BLACK BIRCH HOMESTEAD, WELL
20:38:20	INVOLVED (DISPATCH WARD)
20:38:40	** Requirement PUMP added for alarm level 1
20:39:47	Unit RURALMARL1 [K6 : ON TELEPAGER]
20:39:48	Unit RURALMARL2 [K6 : ON TELEPAGER]
20:40:17	CALL PAGING ACK TIMED OUT FOR STATION: 3209 at 24/01/17 20:40:17
20:48:49	Unit BLEN0975 [K1 : PROCEEDING TO INCIDENT]
20:48:52	.
20:49:27	WARD281 K1 ESMD, CALLED BY PHONE TO ADV TANKER ONLY REQUIRED
20:49:29	.
20:52:13	Unit WARD2811 [K1 : PROCEEDING TO INCIDENT]
20:52:33	Unit AWAT2976 [K2 : IN ATTENDANCE AT INCIDENT]
20:54:54	Unit AWAT2971 [K2 : IN ATTENDANCE AT INCIDENT]
20:55:03	UNABLE TO CONTACT POWERNET - NO ANSWER ON ALL NUMBERS LISTED
20:58:36	DISREGARD RE POWERNET, WRONG EVENT

20:58:37	.
21:03:08	Unit BLEN242 [K2 : IN ATTENDANCE AT INCIDENT]
21:07:53	Unit SEDD297 [K99 : PROPERTY FIRE WELL INV]
21:10:22	Unit SEDD297 [SITREP :] SINGLE STORIED HOUSE 2HPHR AND 2 BA TEAMS. MAINLY
21:10:22	DEFENSIVE ATTACK. DO HAVE AN INTERNAL CUTOFF WHERE ITS SAFE FOR THE BA TEAM TO
21:10:22	GO IN. SUSPICIOUS FIRE. TENNANTS HAVE BEEN EVICTED FROM THE SOUNDS. DONOT
21:10:22	NEED
21:10:22	ANY FURTHER BA RESOURCES.
21:11:18	Unit SEDD297 [K11F : FIRE SAFETY REQUIRED]
21:17:11	ALL PERSONS ACCOUNTED FOR MAYBE A LITTLE 1C
21:22:35	Unit BLEN242 [K2 : IN ATTENDANCE AT INCIDENT]
21:27:24	Unit BLEN0975 [K2 : IN ATTENDANCE AT INCIDENT]
21:30:46	Unit SEDD297 [SITREP :] STILL AWAITING WATER (TANKER JUST ARRIVED)
21:31:30	Unit WARD2811 [K2 : IN ATTENDANCE AT INCIDENT]
21:35:28	FOR DAN GREENE - [REDACTED]
21:59:27	Unit SEDD297 [SITREP :] VSO TO BRING UP 20 BA CYLINDERS TO SCENE
22:23:24	Unit SEDD297 [SITREP :] DOING OVERHAUL, 2 TEAMS IN BA WITH HR, 20 BA
22:23:24	CYLINDERS COMING THROUGH FROM BLENHEIM (LEWIS JONES ADVISED ONLY 8 CYLINDERS
22:23:24	COMING, WILL PUT YOU THROUGH TO FI DAN GREENE ALSO)
22:25:59	Unit VSOTASMAL3 [K1 : PROCEEDING TO INCIDENT]
22:28:03	FI DAN GREENE ADVISED HE HAS ASKED THAT SEDD297 REQUEST A SECENE GUARD, A FI
22:28:03	WILL ATTEND IN THE MORNING, UNSURE WHICH FI AT THIS STAGE
22:32:26	Unit AWAT2971 [K4 : ON RT INSIDE NORMAL TURNOUT AREA]
23:04:54	Unit VSOTASMAL3 [K1 : PROCEEDING TO INCIDENT]
23:09:42	Unit BLEN0975 [K2 : IN ATTENDANCE AT INCIDENT]
23:09:49	Unit BLEN0975 [K4 : ON RT INSIDE NORMAL TURNOUT AREA]
23:09:53	Unit BLEN242 [K3 : ON RT OUTSIDE NORMAL TURNOUT AREA]
23:41:17	Unit VSOTASMAL3 [K2 : IN ATTENDANCE AT INCIDENT]
23:41:23	Unit VSOTASMAL3 [K2 : IN ATTENDANCE AT INCIDENT]
00:09:54	Unit WARD2811 [KC : UNIT CALLING]
00:10:47	Unit WARD2811 [SITREP :] JUST PUTTING IN A STOP MESSAGE, WE HAVE BEEN STOOD
00:10:47	DOWN, HEADING HOME
00:11:01	Unit WARD2811 [K4 : ON RT INSIDE NORMAL TURNOUT AREA] ENTERED BY FIRECOM
00:12:46	Unit SEDD297 [STOP : MESSAGE] WE HAVE PACKED UP, ON OUR WAY BACK HOME, HAVE
00:12:46	LEFT IN HANDS OF POL, THEY ARE STAYING THERE OVERNIGHT
00:14:24	Unit AWAT2976 [K2 : IN ATTENDANCE AT INCIDENT]
00:14:30	Unit AWAT2976 [K2 : IN ATTENDANCE AT INCIDENT]
00:15:31	Unit SEDD297 [K4 : ON RT INSIDE NORMAL TURNOUT AREA]
00:22:14	Unit AWAT2976 [K4 : ON RT INSIDE NORMAL TURNOUT AREA]
00:36:56	Unit VSOTASMAL3 [K4 : ON RT INSIDE NORMAL TURNOUT AREA]

01:15:19	** Assigned Result Code: STRU, Detailed Event Type: 1100, Qualifier 1: Q1,
01:15:19	Qualifier 2:

Incident

CAD Number F2232690
 Incident Reporter [REDACTED]
 Incident Controller [REDACTED]
 Distance Travelled (km) 22
 Delay In Receiving Call

Property Details

Occupant [REDACTED]
 Building Owner Owner occupied
 General Property Use Single house
 Special Property Use Single house
 Purpose Group

Actions

Persons Reported Trapped No
 Evacuation Status Not occupied at time of incident
 Action Prior 1
 Action Prior 2
 Action Taken Extinguishment, salvage and ventilation

Civilians

Civilians Rescued 0
 Civilians Extricated 0
 Civilians Assisted 0
 Civilians Evacuated

Origin

Location Unable to classify
 Level Ground level

Equipment Used

Quantity	Equipment
2	Hose reel, high pressure delivery
4	Handheld Radio (or Cellphone)
1	Ladder

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3	Rural fire appliance
1	Portable pump - large - output over 7 litres/sec
1	Lighting/lights/lighting apparatus
1	Hand tools - Crowbar, Saw, Hammer, Mop, Broom, Misc small gear
8	BA set
2	Scene protection equipment (eg. signs, tarps, lighting, safety wands etc)

Equipment Involved

Equipment Involved

Year

Make

Model

Fire

Arrival Condition Totally involved fire

Heat Source Unable to classify

Termination Stage Unable to classify

First Object Ignited Unknown

First Object Material Unable to classify

Second Object Ignited

Second Object Material

Indicated Cause Undetermined

Certainty of Cause Low

Age of Person Unknown

Ethnicity Unknown

Gender

FAIP Service Offered No FAIP Service Accepted No

Structure

Area of One Floor 250

Age of Building 1970 - 1991

Structural Frame Type Brick, Blocks etc

Number of Floors 1

Number of Basements 0

Internal Wall Lining Plywood, Particle board, Fibre board, Hardboard, Customwood

Ceiling Lining Gypsum board (e.g. Gib board, Elephant board)

Material Generating Most Flame Particle board, Hardboard, Fibreboard

Material Generating Most Smoke Particle board, Hardboard, Fibreboard

Avenue of Flame Travel Stored material

Avenue of Smoke Travel Unable to classify

Extent of Flame Damage	Extended beyond structure of origin	
Area of Flame Damage		150
Extent of Smoke Damage	Extended beyond structure of origin	
Area of Smoke Damage		100
Extent of Water Damage	Extended beyond structure of origin	
Area of Water Damage		100
Extent of Fire Control Damage	Extended beyond structure of origin	
Area of Fire Control Damage		150

Comments

2/8/2017 10:59:12 AM

Reporter Comments

House was fully involved when we arrived about 30 minutes after the fire had started. Part of the house was not touched by fire (lounge area) It was water and smoke damaged. Some concrete block was still standing in the north/east side of the building which was knocked down for safety reasons. Unable to determine cause of fire at this point it is under investigation by NZFS.

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