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Eight assaults a day on emergency workers - Please work with us, not against us this festive season South Wales Police December 2021

- Eight assaults were committed against Welsh emergency workers every day during the first six months of this year, new figures have revealed.
- More than 1,360 assaults were committed in the six-month period from 01 January 2021 – 30 June 2021.
- They included kicking, slapping, head-butting and verbal abuse, and ranged from common assault to serious premeditated attacks involving grievous bodily harm.

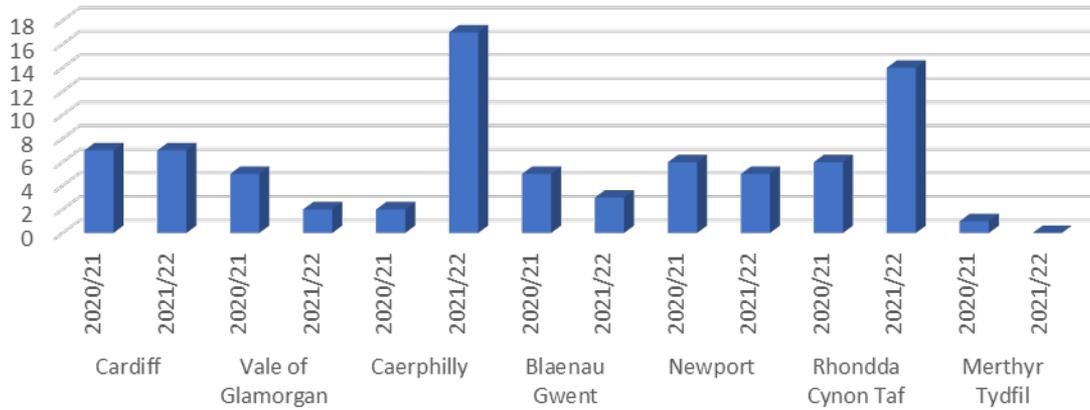
“This type of behaviour is, of course, carried out by a very small minority, and we once again thank our communities for their continued support in working with us this festive season to stay safe.” CFO Jakeway

#WithUsNotAgainstUs or #GydaNiNidYnEinHerbyn.

National Fire Chiefs Council (NFCC)

- The latest Home Office statistics show attacks on firefighters in England & Wales rose to 934 attacks in the last year up from 899.
- 18 per cent of these attacks involved objects being thrown at firefighters or appliances (167 incidents).
- Attacks resulted in 54 injuries
- Increase during the run up to Bonfire night- SWFRS 50% of attacks
- Zero tolerance approach to attacks of our staff

SWFRS Attack on crews 2021/2022



80

2021/2022

Vale of Glamorgan 2021/2022

	Financial Year	Objects thrown		Other acts of aggression			Type of attack unknown	Injuries	Total Attacks	2 Year Total
		Verbal abuse	Physical abuse	Harassment	Other acts of aggression					
Vale of Glamorgan	2020/21	1	2	0	1	1	0	0	5	7
	2021/22	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	

South Wales Firefighters are the first in Wales to trial body-worn video cameras

NEWS / SOUTH WALES FIREFIGHTERS ARE THE FIRST IN WALES TO TRIAL BODY-WORN VIDEO CAMERAS

The pilot scheme will see Firefighters using the devices to capture footage from live incidents for training, incident analysis, and fire investigation.



- The Assaults on Emergency Workers (Offences) Act 2018
- The Emergency Workers (Obstruction) Act 2006
- Working closely with South Wales and Gwent Police
- Investigating incidents and prosecution

- CCTV on all front line fire appliances
- Born Worn cameras on trial for fire-fighters
- Fire Control- video enabled technology