

## **Incidents of fire in premises insured by Derbyshire County Council**

The council's property insurers must be informed of every incident of fire that occurs **within seven days of the incident occurring**. This applies no matter how small or insignificant you consider it to be and even where you will not be making an insurance claim. To report incidents please telephone the insurance section on 01629 538888 or 539237. Where appropriate, a claim form will be sent to you for completion. Please note that you should continue to report incidents of fire to county property.

In the case of arson, the council's risk manager may contact you to discuss possible risk management measures and the insurers may also wish to visit the establishment.

The council supports the line the insurers are taking because evidence from fires nationally indicates that major fires often occur following a series of minor incidents.