



## South Tyneside Council

Dear Parent/Carer

As the Darker nights approach in particular 5<sup>th</sup> of November with fireworks and bonfires, we need to ensure our communities, are a safe place to be for everyone.

We recognise for some children and young people there are immense pressures to engage in behaviours viewed as fun, however some of these behaviours carry risks which can lead to difficult and sometimes dangerous situations with fireworks and unregulated bonfires.

Aside from the obvious serious risk of harm and injury to individuals, we need to ensure everyone feels safe in our communities and are made aware of the dangers of unregulated fires.

We urge Parents/carers to talk to their children regarding large gatherings and the associated risks around unregulated bonfires and fireworks, collaborating with us in ensuring our communities and estates are a safe place for everyone to enjoy fireworks safely.

if you are a parent/carers and are worried about unregulated bonfires please contact South Tyneside Council on the following numbers:

8am and 4pm : 0191 424 7104

After 4pm , 0191 427 7000

Yours sincerely,

Donald Wade

Community Safety Team

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