

# THE FIRE BRIGADES UNION

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## FIRE BRIGADES UNION REACTION TO WARWICKSHIRE ARRESTS

FBU general secretary Matt Wrack said: “If that terrible fire was started deliberately then the whole community and firefighters everywhere will want to see those responsible punished. Arson is a very dangerous crime. We welcome any progress the police are making, but strongly caution against prejudging any of those arrested. Everyone has the right to a fair trial and proper legal process.

“The union is also aware that the Health and Safety Executive is conducting a joint investigation with the police. Firefighters must have safe systems of work in place no matter what caused the fire and we await the result of that investigation.

“A fire which may be started deliberately is tackled in the same way as a fire started accidentally. We often don’t know the causes of a fire for many months or even years afterwards.

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