



## Press Release

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### **BAMFORD MOORLAND FIRE: APPEAL TO KEEP AWAY**

Firefighters who returned at first light to a moorland fire at Bamford Moor are appealing to members of the public to stay away from the area.

Speaking at the scene, Station Manager Paul Smith said: "Cyclists, walkers and cars are flocking to the area and are blocking the way for emergency service vehicles to access the moorland safely.

"People are also coming to have a look at the fire and forgetting current government advice to stay at least 2 meters apart from each other.

"While we deal with the moorland fire, the added complication of accessing the site safely and managing members of the public is something we could do without. Please stay away!"

New Road Bamford remains closed while the fire is ongoing.

Five fire engines remain at the scene from Whaley Bridge, Glossop, Dronfield, Matlock and Chapel-en-le-Frith.

Firefighters continue to work with local farmers, landowners, gamekeepers and Peak Park Rangers to contain and extinguish the fire. The police drone unit is also supporting the incident.

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