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BEARS called out to serious Road Traffic Crash in Chelmsford

BEARS Chair Paramedic Paul Gates was called out by East of England Ambulance NHS Trust last Sunday night (4th March) at 6.42pm to a very serious Road Traffic Crash on the A130 near Chelmsford.

Paul, who has undergone additional pre hospital training to that of his paramedic training, responded from his home address in Rayleigh. On his arrival he found two cars that appeared to have collided at high speed. One of the drivers had unfortunately been killed in the collision while the other was out of his vehicle.

Working with the Ambulance crews on scene Paul assessed the live casualty and found them to have a serious leg injuries. The patient was immobilised fully while pain relief was being given. The patient was then transported to Broomfield Hospital.

BEARS is a charity in Essex formed from the merger of North East Essex Doctors Emergency Service (NEEDES) and Mid Essex Doctors Immediate Care scheme (MEDICS). The scheme is called out by The East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust to patients that need an enhanced level of care following serious injury or illness. All the members are volunteer Doctors and Paramedics who have undergone additional training in Immediate Medical Care. Each member is equipped purely through donations at a cost of between £20-25,000.

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