

Alert over 'air crash'

Firemen rushed to South Milford, near Leeds, last night after a report that a "ball of flame" plunging from the sky could be a crashing aircraft.

But their search was in vain . . . for it was later revealed that the mystery object which lit up the sky in Yorkshire was a spectacular meteorite.

North Yorkshire police said today they had calls from all over the county about a "bright object falling to earth in flames."

It was spotted over Stockton-on-Tees, Darlington, Linton-on-Ouse, Bedale, Harrogate and Sherburn-in-Elmet.