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# District Council Emergency Planning



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# Who are we?

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# Civil Contingencies Act (CCA) 2004



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“An event or situation which threatens serious damage to human welfare in a place in the UK, an event or situation which threatens serious damage to the environment of a place in the United Kingdom or war, or terrorism which threatens serious damage to the security of the United Kingdom”.

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Part 1 – local arrangements for civil protection

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Part 2 – emergency powers

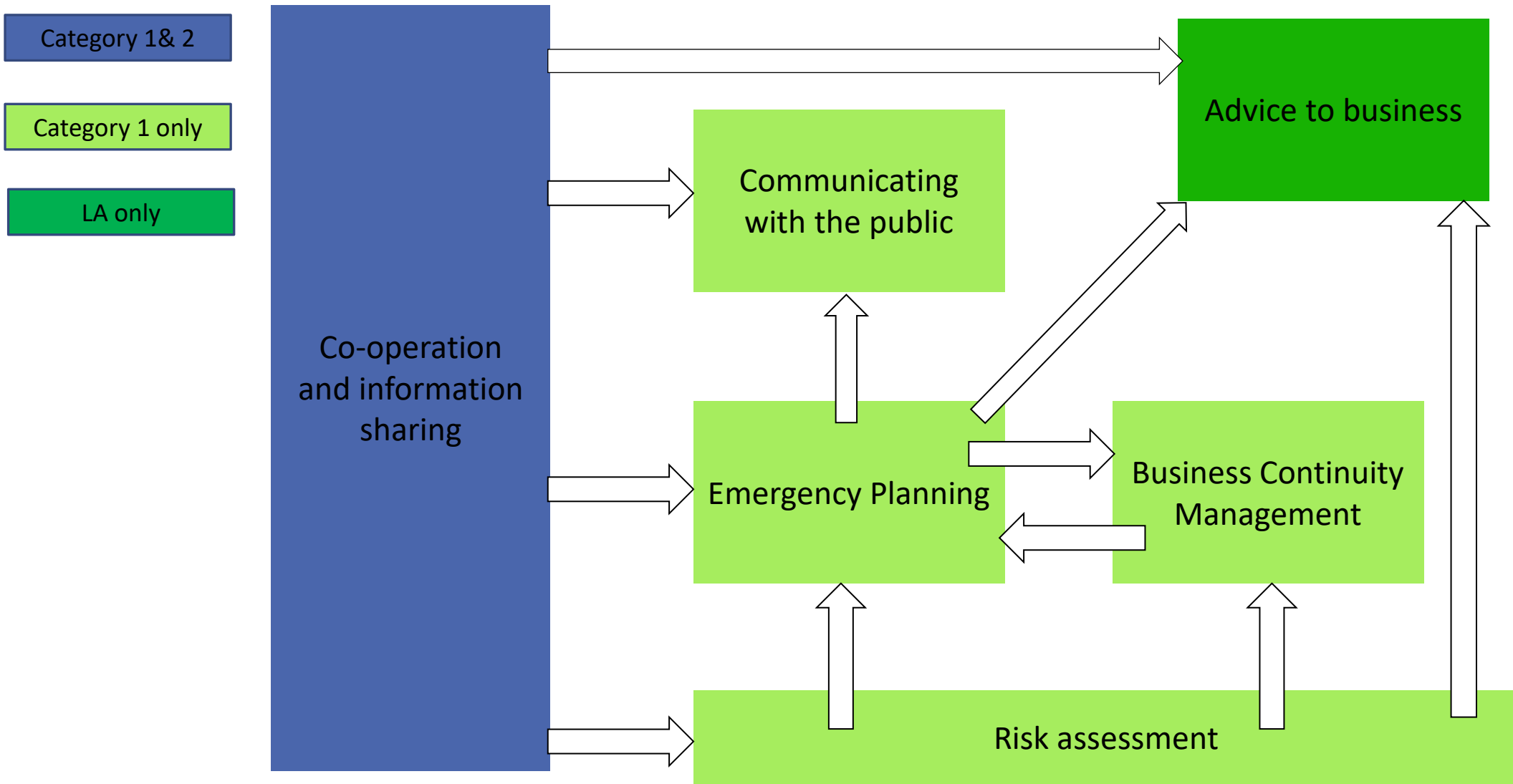
## Category 1 Responders



## Category 2 Responders



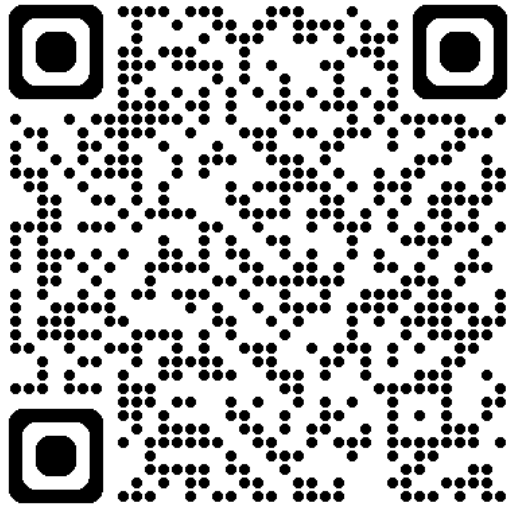
# CCA responsibilities



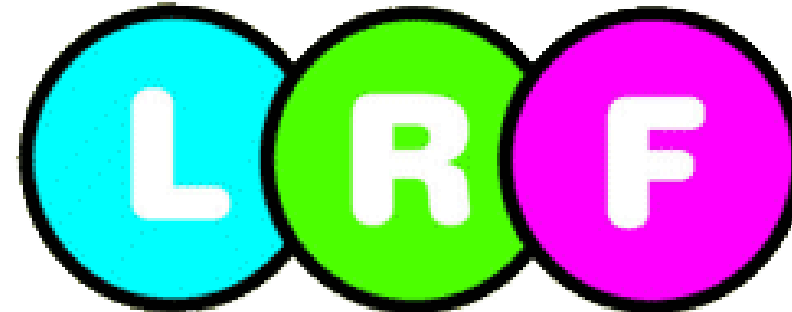
# Local Resilience Forum

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Devon Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly Local Responders Forum



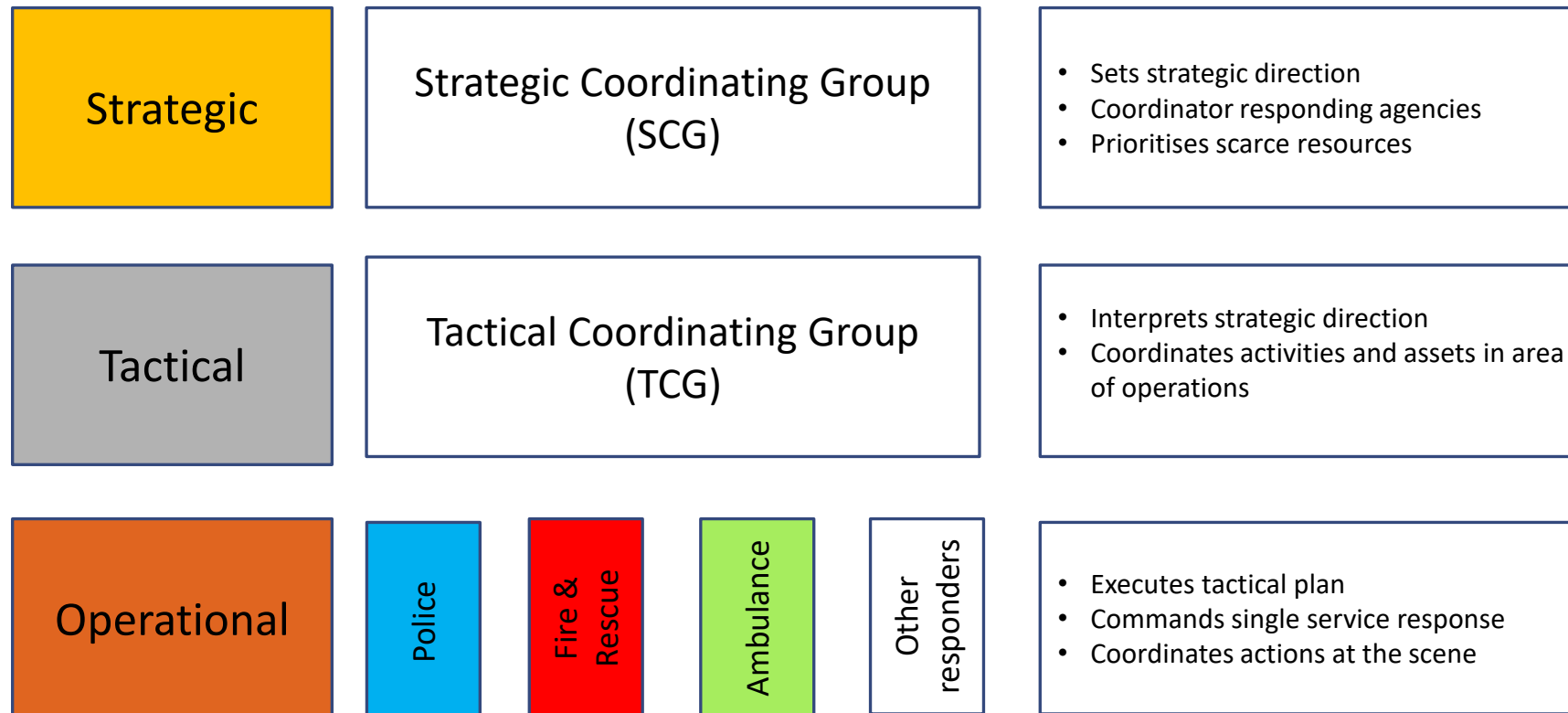
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[Local Resilience Forum \(dcisprepared.org.uk\)](https://dcisprepared.org.uk)

# Command and Control



# Phases of an emergency

01

**Emergency preparedness and planning** (anticipation, assessment, prevention, preparedness)

02

**Emergency response** (dealing with the immediate effects of an emergency)

03

**Emergency recovery** (process of rebuilding and restoring)



# Our Responsibilities

## 01

### Preplanning

- Rest centres
- Risk assessments
- Plans & policies
- Comms strategy
- Warning & Informing
- Sandbag policy
- Community engagement

## 02

### Response

- Co-operation with emergency services
- Provision of staff to RC
- Warning and informing
- Mutual aid to other LA.
- Helpline for public.
- Temporary accommodation.
- Bellwin scheme distribution.

## 03

### Recovery

- Building control
- Consultation with EHO affected areas.
- temporary/longer term accommodation.
- Assisting with removal of damaged furniture and goods and cleanup of mud/debris
- Provision of advice.
- Community engagement.

# District Emergency Planning

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## Plans

- Response Plan
- Recovery Plan
- Rest Centre Plan
- Fuel Shortage Plan
- Coastal Pollution Plan
- Business Continuity Plans

## North Devon & Torrige Council Arrangements

- Both Councils Operate a 24/7 rota of senior managers trained to either tactical or strategic level.
- Supported by the Emergency Planning Officer and Communications Team



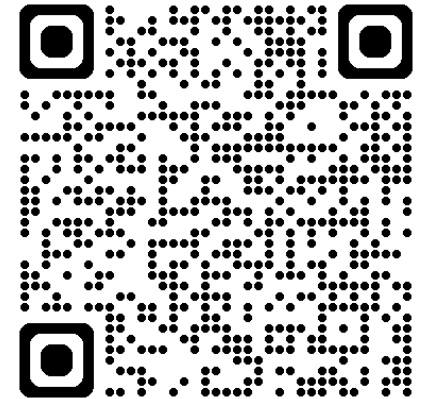
# Devon Emergency Planning Partnership (DEPP)



In Devon we also have the Devon Emergency Planning Partnership (DEPP)

DEPP includes all district and county emergency planners

1. Consistent plans
2. Training
3. Mutual aid



[Home - DEPP](#)

The logo for the Devon Emergency Planning Partnership (DEPP), with "DE" in green, "PP" in blue, and "PP" in dark blue.

# Recovery

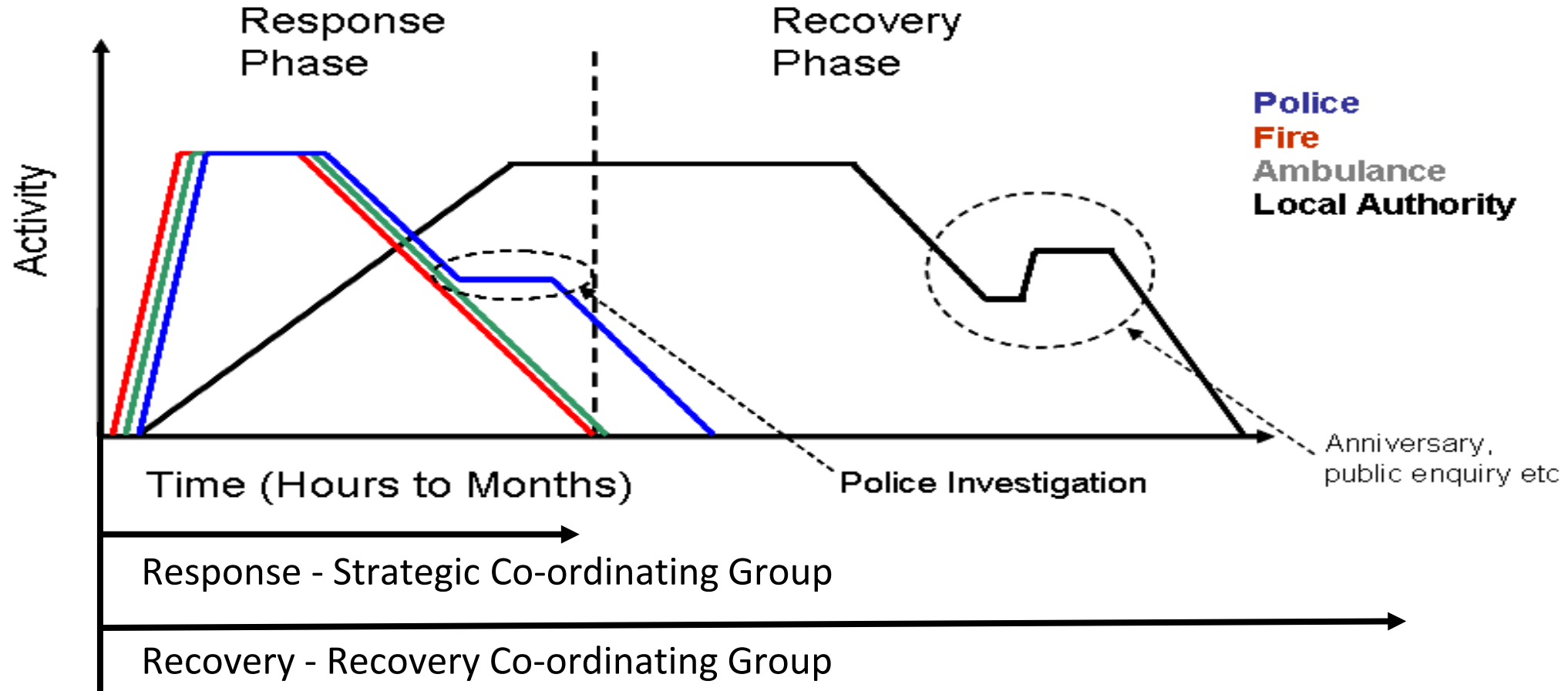
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“Recovery is defined as a process of rebuilding, restoring and rehabilitating the community following an emergency. Although distinct from the response phase, recovery should be an integral part of the response from the very beginning, as actions taken during the response phase can influence the longer-term outcomes for a community.”



# When does Recovery Start

“At the earliest opportunity following the onset of an emergency often running in tandem with the response”



# What can you do?

## Be Informed

- Be informed about the risks in your local area

## Sign up

- sign up for alerts and warnings

## Find out

- find out if you are eligible to sign up to a priority services register
- Find out what actions you should take in an emergency

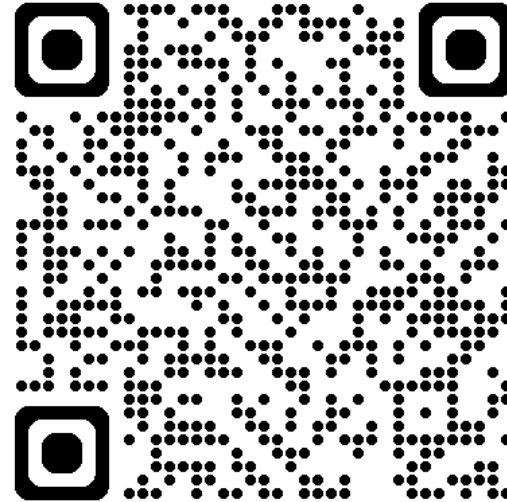
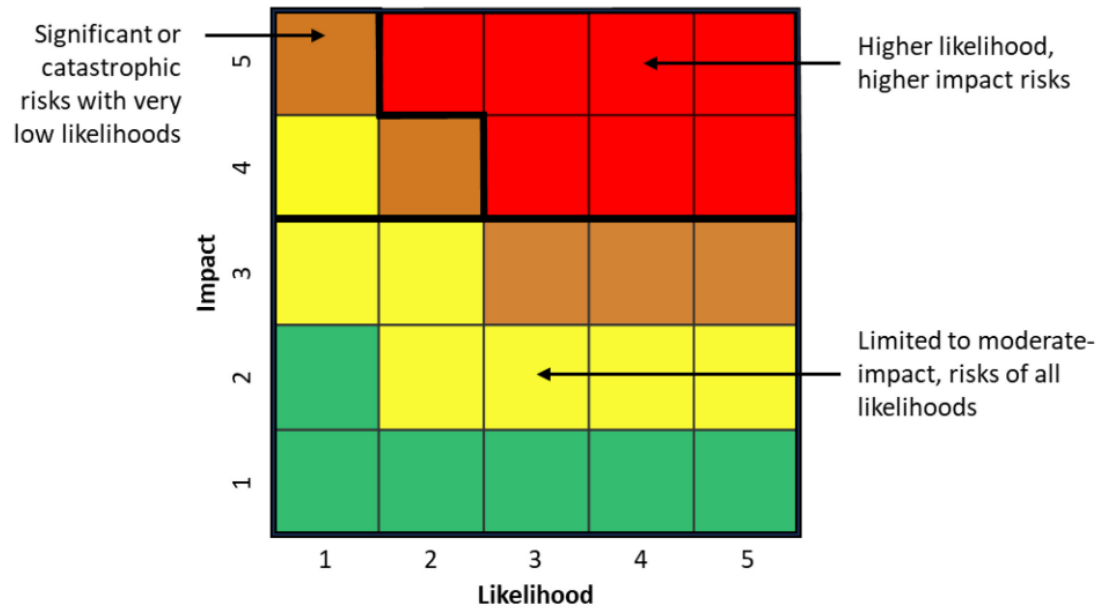
## Prepare

- Have a household emergency plan
- Have an emergency kit – sandbags, torches, first aid kit.
- Support your community with a community emergency plan

## Check in

- Check in on friends, family and neighbors. Some may have additional needs during an emergency.

# Be Informed



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[Local Risks - Devon, Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly Local Resilience Forum](#)

## Sign up

### Met Office – Weather alerts and warnings

[Subscribe to email alerts, warnings and newsletters - Met Office](#)

### Sign up to flood warnings

[Sign up for flood warnings - GOV.UK](#)

If you're in England, Scotland or Wales you can register, update your details or cancel your account by calling Floodline.

#### Floodline

Telephone: 0345 988 1188




Textphone: 0345 602 6340

24-hour service



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#### Flood warnings

-  Severe flood warning
  -  Flood warning
  -  Flood alert
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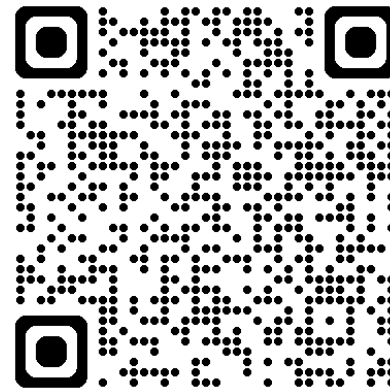


# Find out

## Priority Services Register

[The PSR - The Priority Services Register \(PSR\) is a free UK wide service which provides extra advice and support, including when there's an interruption to your electricity or gas supply - PSR](#)

Visit the Government Prepare Website for information on what actions you can take to be better prepared <https://prepare.campaign.gov.uk>




# Prepare

Make a household emergency plan - [Get prepared for emergencies – Prepare](#)

Make a grab bag:  
medicine, important documents, emergency kit, torches,  
sandbags, nonperishable food and bottled water - [Get prepared for emergencies – Prepare](#)

Create a community Emergency Plan - [Resources | Devon Communities Together](#)



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## HOUSEHOLD EMERGENCY PLAN

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### About the household emergency plan

Writing down some important information now will help you and any others you live with be ready for emergencies. Having a plan written down could help you in situations where you have no electricity, phone, or internet connection.

Download this plan and fill it in. Discuss it with those you live with. Print it out - or write it out - and keep it somewhere safe and easy to find in a power cut.

### In an emergency

If the emergency is outside the home then:

- **Go in** - depending on the emergency you might need to close all windows and doors
- **Stay in**
- **Tune in** - monitor national and local news and follow official advice for what to do next - check local radio stations and local TV broadcasts and other trusted sources, such as your local emergency services social media accounts

If the emergency is inside the home then:

- **Get out**
- **Stay out**
- **Ring 999**

### Meeting point

# Check in

- Talk to others about emergency planning and getting prepared.
- Swap contact details with neighbours and consider creating a closed online social network for your community or whatsapp group to stay in touch during an emergency
- Consider designating a location within your community as a Community Emergency Hubs – these are often church halls, village halls or even pubs and it's a place for communities to go if they need information, support or a cup of tea.
- Check if your neighbours, friends or family may need any extra help during an emergency
- Make a plan for checking in on neighbours, friends and family members during an emergency



# Thankyou

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