

West Lavington Parish Council

Community Resilience Plan

**IMPORTANT:**

**THIS PLAN DOES NOT REPLACE EMERGENCY SERVICES. SHOULD THERE BE A RISK TO LIFE OR PROPERTY, IF PERSONS ARE INJURED OR AT RISK CALL 999**

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**Types Of Emergencies That Require Community action**

***N.B. These definitions are for guidance and are not exhaustive***

Flood

Defined as water that prevents normal traffic flow through the village. That puts lives and/or property at risk. Can be caused by river flooding, utilities failure or persistent and heavy rainfall

Fire

Fire in or around properties or wild scrub fires on farmland or Salisbury plain that causes people to have to leave their homes, either temporarily or for an extended period of time

Snow

Defined as snowfall that blocks the A360 and/or the B3098 for more than 24 hours or prevents emergency services responding to an incident at any time.

Pandemic/Epidemic

Defined as such by Public Health England when free movement of the population is prevented.

Loss Of Utilities

Defined as loss of electricity, water, gas, or sewerage for more than 8 hours in multiple households, or the loss of broadband for more than 48hours in multiple households

Animal Health

When the Animal & Plant Health Agency define a disease or condition that restricts access to farmland and/or the open countryside or prevents members of the farming community being able to leave their property.

Fuel Disruption

A disruption in supplies that causes the population to be confined to the village and/or prevents vulnerable people obtaining fuel oil for heating in the winter

Major Emergency

Defined as a major event such as a plane crash, train crash, incident with armed forces training on Salisbury Plain, serious road traffic collision, explosion, chemical spill etc. that affects the village and/or its residents.

Extensive Storm Damage

Defined as damage that causes people to have to leave their homes or roads or access blocked by fallen trees. See the Action Card for Mayor Emergency

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| **Risk**  RISKS | **Type** | **Likely Causes** | **Action Owners** |
| Flooding | River Flooding  Surface Water  Sewer Flooding  *Groundwater Flooding (Very Low Risk)* | Adverse weather  Failure of infrastructure  Field run of from farmland | Local Volunteers  Service providers / Regulating authority.  Local Farm owners/managers |
| Fire | Property fire  Farmland fire  Salisbury Plain scrub fires | Accident or incident  Army Exercises | Fire Brigade or in the case of Salisbury Plain, HM Armed Forces or their agents |
| Snow | Snow or Ice | Adverse weather | Wiltshire County Council  Local Community |
| Pandemic/epidemic | Covid19 or similar | Disease | Public Health England  Emergency services |
| Loss of utilities | Electricity, sewerage or water | Infrastructure Failure | Utility Companies |
| Widespread Electrical Failure - Regional | Electricity | National/Regional Infrastructure Failure | National Government  Utility Companies |
| Animal Health | Foot and Mouth disease or similar | Disease | The Animal and Plant Health Agency |
| Fuel Disruption | Supply Failure affecting supply of heating oil or fuel for cars | National Shortage | Fuel Companies  Local Volunteers |
| Major Emergency | Severe accident of rail, road, air or military training | Accident or incident | Emergency services  Local Volunteers |

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**Role of Community Resilience Volunteers**

Resilience Volunteers DO-NOT act as or replace emergency services.

The role of volunteers is to help the community protect itself in the event of an emergency.

* Ensuring that emergency services have been contacted if appropriate.
* Representing the parish by attending Wiltshire council briefings and training
* providing contact details of external help such as the environment agency, Wiltshire council, power or water suppliers etc.
* Contacting those organisations on behalf of the community as required
* Distributing parish council resources (i.e. sandbags) as required
* Assisting in the opening of “places of safety”
* Giving emergency services the ability to provide information to the community through a single point of contact.
* Providing resources to the community within the volunteers area of expertise such as First Aid, 4X4 Vehicles, tree surgery etc.
* Assist with the simple things, make sure drains are clear of leaves, report empty grit bins, potholes or blocked gullies. Check on vulnerable neighbours when emergencies occur.

**Community Places Of Safety**

There are four places within our community identified as places of safety that provide shelter, warmth and the ability to cook. Our primary place of safety is West Lavington Village Hall. In the event of emergency, they will be opened. Community volunteers will help any persons affected by an emergency locate there for a temporary period which is estimated to be no longer than 36 hours.

West Lavington Village Hall, Sandfield, West Lavington, Devizes SN10 4HL

All Saints Church, 16 Church St, West Lavington, Devizes SN10 4LB

Ebenezer Baptist Church, High Street, West Lavington, Devizes SN10 4HQ

St Josephs Catholic Church, Cheverell Rd, Littleton Panell, Devizes SN10 4JH

**Local Skills & Resources**

The Parish Council maintains a list of local resources who can assist the community during an emergency, These people are not emergency responders but are available to provide community assistance during periods of disruption. For example, providing assistance with travel, shopping during pandemic lockdown, first aiders, assistance with fallen trees, owners of 4x4 vehicles that can move during adverse weather.

Community volunteers can access resources by contacting a member of the Parish Council

Communities have a role to play in all types of emergencies and can be involved at every stage.

* Identifying community recovery needs
* Raising awareness of community support
* Evaluate activities and help with lesson learnt
* Local monitoring and two-way information flow with responders and the wider public
* Effective decision making
* Coordinating with volunteers and responders
* Assisting with the deployment of barrier or buffers when needed
* Working with health programmes
* Encourage awareness
* Raise community awareness
* Personal and business community plans
* Assessment of the vulnerable
* Local monitoring of risks

**Community Resilience Lead Volunteers**

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| Emergency Type | Name | Contact Details | Location |
| Lead Resilience Parish Councilor | Peter West | 07768 931679 | 5 Duck Street, West Lavington |
| Resilience Parish Councilor | George Harrison | 07905 897551 | Littleton PanelL |
| Resilience Parish Councilor | Steve Laister | 07432 124059 | Duck Street |
| Resilience Parish Councilor | Dominic Muns | 07900 256038 | Church Street |
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**Emergency Planning Coordination**

**Wiltshire & Swindon Prepared (Local Resilience Forum)**

A forum for multi-agency organisations to work together on planning, responding and recovery from emergency events. It’s additional aim is to help and encourage communities to become more resilient

[wiltshireandswindonprepared@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:wiltshireandswindonprepared@wiltshire.gov.uk)

**Wiltshire Council Emergency Planning**

To coordinate and provide support and assistance to council service providers, the emergency services and other agencies during the response to incident. The team will also coordinate and assist with the recovery phase.

Represents Wiltshire council on the Local Resilience Forum.

Email: [emergencyplanning@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:emergencyplanning@wiltshire.gov.uk)

Tel: 01225 713159

The following page is provided by Wiltshire Council and gives guidance on the responsibilities of the different agencies that respond to emergencies within Wiltshire

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|  | **How to contact them?** | **What they do in an emergency?** |
| **Police** | * Dial 999 in an emergency such as a crime in progress * Non emergency Police reporting dial **101** | * Responding to incidents * The co-ordination of the emergency services, local authorities and other organisations during an emergency |
| **Fire** | * Dial 999 in an emergency | * Responding to incidents * Fire-fighting and fire prevention * Detection, identification, monitoring and management of hazardous materials and protecting the environment |
| **Ambulance & NHS** | * Dial 999 in an emergency * NHS non-emergency number: 111 | * Responding to incidents * Identify & alert the receiving hospitals |
| **Wiltshire Council** | * In and out of hours use: 0300 456 0100. * In hours you may ask for the Emergency Planning Team * You may use [emergencyplanning@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:emergencyplanning@wiltshire.gov.uk) | * Support the emergency services * Help the community recover * May take action to protect property from flooding by water from the highway where there is a failure of the highway drainage system * Help facilitate road closures and diversions * Identify and set-up a safe place for community to stay after being evacuated - known as rest centre |
| **Environment Agency** | * **Incident hotline** 0800 80 70 60 (24-hour service) * Floodline service 0345 988 1188 | * Protect the environment and take reports of environmental pollution such as chemical or fuel spills, or many dead fish in rivers * Issue flood alerts and warnings to the public and implement flood defence where appropriate * Deal with emergency repairs and blockages on main rivers and own structures |
| **Utility Providers** | * Gas (National Grid) 0800 111 999 * Power Cut - call 105 * Wessex Water: 0345 600 4600 * Thames Water 0800 3169800 * British Telecoms 08001217667 | * Support statutory responders * Ensure continuity of supply * Provide alternative means of supply during an emergency if there is a threat to life |

**Links and Reporting**

**Sign up for Flood Warnings and Alerts**

[www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings](http://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings)

**Sign up for Met Office Weather Warnings**

Download the app for Apple Store or Google Play, follow on Twitter or subscribe by email <https://metoffice.gov.uk/weather/warnings-and-advice>

**MyWiltshire**

To report Flooding and weather emergencies

[www.wiltshire.gov.uk/mywilts-online-reporting](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/mywilts-online-reporting)

Flood Risk

To check if a property is at risk from flooding

[www.gov.uk/check-long-term-flood-risk](http://www.gov.uk/check-long-term-flood-risk)

**LOCAL RESOURCES**

| Courtyard Surgery | Reception  Out Of Hours | 01380 813300  111 |
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| Village Shop |  |  |
| Places of Safety  Keyholders | Contact Parish Councilors | Starting point Resilience Parish Councillors contact details on page 7 |
| Day Lewis Pharmacy | Reception | 01380 813395  Business Hours Only |
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Appendix

Police Contacts

This list is correct as of June 2023

Neighbourhood Policing Team is: [devizesareacpt@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:devizesareacpt@wiltshire.police.uk)

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| Sector Inspector | Inspector 2405 Ben Huggins | [Benjamin.Huggins@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:Benjamin.Huggins@wiltshire.police.uk) |
| Neighbourhood Sgt | Sergeant 2707 Chris Wickham | [Chris.Wickham@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:Chris.Wickham@wiltshire.police.uk) |
| Devizes Town NPT            Devizes West NPT      Devizes South NPT | Pc 2629 Sarah Hardwidge  Pcso 6303 Andrew Mclachlan  Pcso 70499 Debbie Lowe  Pcso 6623 Amy Jones      Pc 0355 Jenny Groome  Pcso 6015 Paula Yarranton    Pc 0355 Jenny Groome  Pcso 6169 Kelly Watts | [Sarah.Hardwidge@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:Sarah.Hardwidge@wiltshire.police.uk)  [Andrew.Mclachlan@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:Andrew.Mclachlan@wiltshire.police.uk)  [Debbie.Lowe@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:Debbie.Lowe@wiltshire.police.uk)  [Amy.Jones@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:Amy.Jones@wiltshire.police.uk)      [Jenny.Groome@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:Jenny.Groome@wiltshire.police.uk)  [Paula.Yarranton@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:Paula.Yarranton@wiltshire.police.uk)    [Jenny.Groome@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:Jenny.Groome@wiltshire.police.uk)  [Kelly.Watts@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:Kelly.Watts@wiltshire.police.uk) |