

Community Emergency Plan

Newnham on Severn

1. Background

The floods of 2007 and the snow of February 2009 caused widespread disruption and raised questions about our preparedness for any emergency. The Gloucestershire Rural Community Council recently engaged in a project to “encourage communities to produce their own Community Emergency Plan.

The rationale for such a plan is to enable local communities to work together more effectively with statutory authorities by linking up local knowledge and facilities in the case of an emergency. The role of the community is not to take on the operational responsibilities of the emergency services. Communities can realistically contribute as follows:

- establish places of safety
- establish local temporary accommodation
- provide local hubs for distribution of supplies
- maintain communications, pass on warnings

The Parish Council discussed the matter in February 2010 and consequently embarked on the task of drafting such a plan, using a pragmatic and minimalist approach based on the principle that the Parish Council will take initial responsibility for co-ordinating local assistance.

2. Rationale

The Council’s conclusion was that the local situation was unlikely to be affected by meteor strikes or volcanoes but more realistically by traffic accidents, chemical spills, severe weather, flooding, fire and gas explosions.

In dealing with such events it has to be taken into account that the village is easily accessible by road, railway, river and air and isolation is therefore not a likely scenario.

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FOR THE PARISH OF:

NEWNHAM ON SEVERN

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EMERGENCY INFORMATION AND RESOURCES FOR:- NEWNHAM ON SEVERN

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Health

Dilke Hospital 01594 598100 Out of Hours 08454 220 220

Lydney Hospital 01594 598220 Out of House 08454 220 220

Newnham on Severn Health Centre 01594 516241

Veterinary Surgery - The Globe Cinderford 01594 824416

Newnham Pharmacy 01594 516276

Environment

DEFRA 08459 335577

Environment Agency 0800 807060 (Floodline) 0845 988 1188

Farmers Union 024 768 58500

Flood warden Cllr Bihlmeier 01594 510963

Voluntary Agencies

St John Ambulance 01223 338600

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INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

Record of Emergency Premises

a. Parish Emergency Centre, Newnham Club, Lower High Street

Glen and Maggie Jones Tel No: 01594 516379

b. Premises suitable as local emergency accommodation

Newnham Club and Newnham St. Peters Church (if alternative facilities are needed)

Glen and Maggie Jones Tel No 01594 516379

RECORD OF SPECIAL HAZARDS

Victoria Garage

<u>Address/Area</u>	<u>Nature of Hazard</u>
Victoria Garage, High Street	Gas Bottles
Traffic Accident	Spill of hazardous material
Proximity to Nuclear site	Nuclear Spill

Parish Location Map / Plan (attached)

Helicopter landing Site earmarked on the playing field

GUIDANCE ON LOOKING AFTER EVACUEES

ENSURE evacuees are taken inside immediately, are able to sit down, have a (hot) drink, and find out what is happening to them, their family and friends, and their homes.

REMEMBER they may be tired, wet, distressed, sick, hungry, or in shock.

BE ALERT for symptoms of delayed shock or severe stress.

IDENTIFY quickly anyone having special needs and see to those immediately; medical, welfare, disability, age, nursing mothers - anyone needing any form of additional assistance for any reason.

KEEP everyone informed frequently and regularly of what is happening.

TREAT everyone as an individual, having differing rights, attitudes and needs.

KEEP evacuees occupied by assisting with: special needs, tidying up, serving refreshments, walking e.g. fire watch, etc.