

Cornwall Council Emergency Management

Our team is on-call 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to co-ordinate Cornwall Council's response to emergencies and provide operational support to our partners.

Our core work is to **anticipate and assess local risks** and use this to inform emergency planning – emergencies cannot always be prevented so **we prepare plans which detail how multi-agency partners will respond to incidents and how the recovery of the community will be managed.**

We are a trained and experienced team of seven.



Working Together to Make Cornwall Safer

We share information and co-operate with other local responders to enhance co-ordination and efficiency. **We work in partnership** with the Devon, Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly Local Resilience Forum.

Our multi-agency partners include,

- Neighbouring Local Authorities
- Cornwall Fire and Rescue Service
- Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service
- Devon, Cornwall and Dorset Police
- South Western Ambulance Service Trust
- Maritime and Coastguard Agency
- NHS England and Hospital Trusts
- Public Health England
- Environment Agency
- Central Government Departments
- Highways England
- Network Rail
- Wales and West Utilities
- National Grid
- South West Water
- Western Power Distribution
- Ministry of Defence
- The Voluntary Sector
- The Met Office



Emergency Planning

Together with our partners **we plan for events and situations which threaten human welfare, the environment, and for war or terrorism** which threatens the security of the UK.

Our areas of work include,

- Natural Hazards and Land Movement
- Severe Weather and Flooding
- Environment and Pollution
- Maritime, Shipping and Coastal
- Beaches, Ports and Harbours
- Transport and Utilities Infrastructure
- Public and Animal Health
- Counter Terrorism
- Fuel, Food and Water Disruptions
- Structural and Industrial Hazards
- Industrial Disputes
- Mass Casualties and Mass Fatalities
- Excess Deaths and Emergency Mortuaries
- Telecommunications Failure
- Humanitarian Assistance
- Evacuation and Shelter
- Recovery
- Democratic Protocols
- Business Continuity
- Mass Gatherings and Events



Training and Exercising

We undertake training and exercise our emergency plans in line with emerging good practice and regulatory requirements (where applicable). **Our training and exercising take place alongside partner agencies and organisations** to enhance our interoperability, so our response to and recovery from emergencies is effective.

Recovery from Emergencies

Cornwall Council lead the process of re-building, restoring and rehabilitating the community following an emergency; this includes emergencies occurring overseas, but which impact UK residents or nationals, or the environment of the UK.

Business Continuity

We have **a duty to maintain arrangements to ensure Cornwall Council continue to perform critical functions** in the event of an emergency, and to limit the impact of disruption on the community.

We also provide general business continuity advice and assistance to businesses and the voluntary sector – on a cost-recoverable basis.

Warning and Informing



We have a duty to make information available to the public about civil protection matters and maintain arrangements to warn, inform and advise the public in the event of an emergency.

We utilise multiple methods of communicating with the public in an emergency including local radio, our social media accounts and those of our partners.

We also record known risks on the Devon, Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Community Risk Register, accessible via request to emergencymanagement@cornwall.gov.uk



Community Emergency Planning

We encourage communities to prepare emergency plans for localised risks. **We support a network of Community Flood Groups who are trained to initiate a community response to flooding** in high risk areas of Lostwithiel, Portreath, Perranporth, Par and St. Blazey and Mevagissey – providing local knowledge to responders in an emergency.