Strategic Civil Response to Emergencies

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How does DCLG fit into local and national resilience?

- 38 multi-agency **local resilience forums**, based on police force areas

- Majority, around 30 are chaired by the police, others by chief fire officers or local authority chief executives

- DCLG resilience advisers work with all LRFs on local / national shared priorities

- Expectation that in an emergency RED GLO deploys to a multi-agency response centre (SCC) **within 2 hours**.
DCLG’s Resilience & Emergencies Division (RED) is responsible for the UK Government’s resilience function below the national level. Its role is to:

- Enable Resilient Localities
- Ensure preparedness for high impact or wide area emergencies
- Provide government support when emergencies do occur
- Discharge our lead government department responsibilities e.g. recovery
1) enable resilient localities

Enable resilient localities

- helping localities identify the risks they face and mitigate them
- pooling knowledge and experience with local resilience for areas elsewhere facing similar risks
- barrier busting across Whitehall
2) ensure preparedness for high impact or wide area emergencies

- assessing the potential impact of different types of HI/WA emergencies
- facilitating the design by LRFs working collaboratively of a response capability to HI/WA emergencies
- facilitating liaison between local responders and central government in preparing for HI/WA emergencies

Ensure preparedness for high impact or wide area emergencies

National Risk Assessment

Civil Contingencies Act

Community Risk Register

Resilience Adviser

Whitehall liaison

Response Capability

Collaboration opportunities

Local Resilience Forum
3) provide government support when emergencies do occur

**Provide government support when emergencies do occur**

- operating for government a 24/7 liaison officer service to local responders
- operating for government a 24/7 information service on the impacts of emergencies and their management

**Emergency**

- Deploy Resilience Advisers as Government Liaison Officer
- Establish RED Operations Centre
- Monitor

**Responder activating Strategic Coordinating Group?**

- Yes
  - Multiple SCGs?
    - Yes
      - SITREP
    - No
      - Post-event Inquiries

- No
  - Lessons Learned

**Emergency ends**

**Stand down**
Scale of Response - local
Scale of Response - serious
Scale of Response - significant
Scale of Response - catastrophic
Linking the local to the national

GOLD (Strategic Coordinating Group)

Information
- what, where, when
- resource needs
- consequences
- communications
- situation reports

Requests
- national assets
- specialist people
- policy
- finance

Advice
- Government approach to emergency
- military support
- further information requests
- resource deployments
- policy
- finance
- COBR actions

Support
- Challenge

Other Government Departments

Lead Government Department
COBR
Recent Emergencies

Westminster – March 2017

Manchester – May 2017

London Bridge – June 2017

East Coast Tidal Surge – January 2017

Finsbury Park – June 2017

Coverack flash flooding – July 2017

Grenfell Tower Fire – June 2017

New Ferry Explosion – March 2017

Monarch Airlines – September 2017

Sussex UXB – 2017

Hurricanes Irma, Jose & Maria – September 2017

NHS Cyber Attack – May 2017
What next for resilience?

Victims: How we ensure there is coherent approach to supporting victims of all emergencies

Assurance: How can we assure that resilience standards are being met at the local level

Understanding local capability: How can we more rapidly identify where capacity and capability are being overstretched at the local level

Support to local responders during emergencies: Improving the UK’s ability to support the local response to major civil crises
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