

Wembury Parish Council Emergency Self Help Plan

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2.0 CATEGORY 1 RESPONDERS IN AN EMERGENCY

The Civil Contingencies Act 2004 places a duty on Category 1 Responders to carry out a risk assessment of a possible emergency in an area for which they are responsible. Category 1 Responders include: Local Authorities, Emergency Services and NHS Bodies like Primary Care Trusts.

In the event of a major incident, their Emergency Plans will be activated, ensuring all available support is forthcoming from services including the Coastguard and Armed Services if required. Major incidents are usually co-ordinated by the Police.

3.0 THE PURPOSE OF THE SELF HELP PLAN

The Wembury Self Help Plan is to enable the community to respond and deal with an emergency, when outside assistance is unavailable, or delayed, due to over demand. South Hams District Council (SHDC) need to be informed by the Wembury Parish Council (WPC) Emergency Team, when the plan is activated, or they may ask the Emergency Team to activate the plan.

Detailed records need to be kept by the Parish Clerk of events during the emergency response.

4.0 THE PARISH COUNCIL'S INVOLVEMENT

This mainly concerns the provision of shelter, food, warmth and general first aid for people who are vulnerable or made homeless during an emergency. The Parish Council will endeavour to maintain contact with the Emergency Services during any emergency.

There will be a need for a sustained effort by the community in recovering from any major emergency incident and the Parish Council will be able to assist with this task.

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5.0 ACTIVATION OF PLAN

This Plan will be activated when the WPC Emergency Team considers it necessary, or as requested by a Category 1 Responder.

The decision to activate the plan will be taken by the Team Leader after consultation with at least two members of the Emergency Team and a Category 1 Responder to carry out a risk assessment.

South Hams DC will be advised by the Team Leader that the plan has been activated.

All members of the Emergency Team are to be notified immediately the plan is activated by a cascading telephone system, or by direct contact, as started by the Team Leader.

All Emergency Team members then to meet as required.

5.1 Emergency Planning Officer Contact

Peter Dale	SHDC Emergency Planning Officer	01803 861278
Debbie Brooker-Evans	Plymouth Emergency Planning Officer	01752 305536
Judith Hardiman	DCC Emergency Planning Officer	01392 382689
Michael Gage	Wembury Parish Council Emergency Team Leader	01752 863743

5.2 Other Useful Contacts

A list of useful telephone numbers and contacts details of organisations that may be able to help during an emergency, can be found in **Appendix No 1**.

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6.0 WPC EMERGENCY TEAM

Name	Contact Details	Phone No.	Allocated Areas of Responsibility
John Bennett	Malaga Hollacombe Brake, benntel@fsbdial.co.uk	01752862262 07773670764	Vulnerable People, Communications
Dermod Drought Assistant Leader	Invoresk, Andurn, Down Thomas sueanddermod@drought110.freeserve.co.uk	01752862387	Medical Needs, Coastguard
Roy Fairclough WPC Clerk	Bluewaters, Andurn, Down Thomas wemburyclerk@yahoo.co.uk	01752863778 07887710272	Records Insurance
Michael Gage Parish NHW Co-ordinator Team Leader	131 Church Road, Wembury Michael@mjwgage.plus.com	01752863743	Medical Needs, Risk Assessment
John Hepburn	Little Mew, Spring Rd, Wembury Point mewstone.enterprises@tiscali.co.uk	01752863259 07974213301	Emergency Co-ordinator, Risk Assessment
John Stansell	Churchwood Valley, Wembury john@churchwoodvalley.com	01752863616	Equipment and Transport
Peter Tolley	5 Brownhill Lane, Wembury petan2006@yahoo.co.uk	01752862445	Accommodation
Trevor Gaught	Ford Barn, Ford Road, Wembury gaughts@tinyworld.co.uk	01752863463	Command & Control
Roy Hunt	13 Westlake Rise, Heybrook Bay royandjulie.g4prl@mypostoffice.co.uk	01752863606 G4PRL	Ham Radio Communication

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7.0 IDENTIFIED RISKS TO THE COMMUNITY

7.1 Inside the Parish Boundary

1. Storm Damage and Flooding
2. Village cut off due to storm, snow or large accident- stranded people.
3. Loss of main services – electricity, gas, water, telecommunication.
4. Fire, Explosion, e.g. Old Bombs.
5. Oil Spillage, shipping wreck, old mines washed up.

7.2 Outside the Parish Boundary

1. Nuclear incident at Devonport Naval Base
2. Chemical Leak/breakdown at Calor gas depot at Lee Mill.
3. Agricultural e.g. Foot and Mouth, BSE, etc
4. Fuel Crisis

8.0 VULNERABLE PEOPLE

For a list of Carers who can identify vulnerable people in cases of an emergency see **Appendix No 2**.

9.0 ACCOMMODATION

The provision of suitable accommodation / shelter can be provided at various venues throughout the Parish to provide warmth, food and first aid for people who are vulnerable or made homeless during an emergency.

A full list of contact details for the various premises is shown in **Appendix No 3**.

10.0 EQUIPMENT AND TRANSPORT

Local residents who have kindly volunteered to provide practical skills, plant or equipment in the event of an emergency, can be found in **Appendix No 4**.

11.0 MEDICAL NEEDS

Local residents who have kindly volunteered to provide medical skills in the event of an emergency, can be found in **Appendix No 5**.

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12.0 COMMUNICATIONS

Initial communication in an emergency will be made by landline / mobile telephone. If these are not operating, then radio ham facilities will be used.

As a last resort, it may be necessary for face-to-face contact by vehicular means, or by foot as necessary.

Please note that in an emergency, volunteers are required for; listening on battery / mains sets; couriers to carry messages to strategic personnel.

For radio ham operator contact details, see **Appendix No 6**.

13.0 NUCLEAR EMERGENCY

The following information has been taken from a booklet entitled 'What to do in a Nuclear Emergency' dated July 2005 and has been produced by the Ministry of Defence and Devonport Royal Dockyard Limited (DML) in consultation with South Hams District Council.

This guide tells the public what they need to do in the **extremely unlikely event** of a nuclear emergency at the Devonport site, as well as an incident occurring on one of the submarine berths in the Sound. The design of nuclear submarines means that an accident involving a submarine nuclear reactor is very unlikely. There is absolutely no risk of an 'atom bomb' type explosion.

If you hear the 'emergency' signal (a rising and falling wailing note) from the Naval Base siren, or if you receive warning of a nuclear incident from the Police, remain calm and follow this advice:-

GO IN – STAY IN – TUNE IN

- 1. Go indoors and stay there.**
- 2. Close windows and doors.**
- 3. Listen to your local radio or TV (see overleaf). Follow any instructions you are given.**
HAVE A PORTABLE RADIO + SPARE BATTERIES READY.
- 4. Put out or damp down fires and boilers. Shut down ventilation devices.**
- 5. Do not use the telephone unless you urgently need help.**
- 6. Do not leave the area unless advised to do so (see overleaf).**
- 7. Take potassium iodate tablets if told to do so.**

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Radio and Television Stations

TV	BBC 1 and Carlton Television		
Radio	Plymouth Sound	FM 97	MW 1152
	BBC Radio Devon	FM 103.4	MW 855
	BBC Radio Cornwall	FM 95.2	MW 657
	Pirate FM	FM 102.2	
		102.8 (Cornwall)	

Telephone Helpline Numbers

Only use the telephone if you urgently need help

For Plymouth at the Plymouth Civic Centre
PLYMOUTH 01752 668000

For Caradon at Luxstowe House, Liskeard
LISKEARD 01579 341000

Further information will be given out by the Police Information Bureau

What you need to do in an evacuation

There will probably be no need for an evacuation. If you do need to leave your home you will be told where to go. Go there using your own transport. If you do not have your own transport you will be told where to meet and transport will be provided. Tick off the following things as you do them:

- Get your family and pets together.
- Get a large bag or suitcase and pack the following things.
 - A supply of warm clothing and bedding.
 - Any special food that your family needs.
 - Any medicines that your family needs.
 - Baby food, clothes and nappies if needed.
 - Private documents and special valuables.
 - Some books and toys for children.
- Make sure that fires are out and that cookers, ventilation fans, TVs, electric fires and other electric appliances are switched off and unplugged.
- Use this space to write down any other things that you think you will need to remember:

- Lock up your house and any other buildings and leave.

If you would like to access a copy of this booklet, it can be downloaded from www.plymouth.gov.uk then through the following links A-Z/Emergency Planning/Preparing for emergencies/Regulated hazard sites/Devonport Dockyard

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14.0 INSURANCE

The Wembury Parish Council's insurance provides Public Liability and Third party indemnity for members of the Council and volunteer workers working under the control of the Parish Council.

The Wembury Parish Council's insurance does not extend to cover volunteers equipment.

Individuals should check their own insurance policies to see what they are covered for in the event of assisting in an emergency. There may be exceptions when lives are at risk, however, the emergency services would expect to be used initially in such cases.

15.0 MAPS OF LOCAL AREA

Maps of local areas are shown in **Appendix No 7**.

Ordnance Survey maps of Wembury Parish are held by the Parish Clerk.