



Community Emergency Plan

Millom Without Parish Council

1. PURPOSE

1.1 Definition of an emergency:

An emergency / major incident is any event or circumstance (happening with or without warning) that causes or threatens death or injury, disruption to the community, or damage to property or to the environment on such a scale that the effect cannot be dealt with by the emergency services, local authorities and other organisations as part of their normal day-to day activities.

1.2 Aims of the Community Emergency Plan:

To increase resilience within the local community before, during and after emergencies, and to link into the county and district councils', and emergency services' emergency response structures. This Plan documents how Millom without Parish Council would respond in an emergency situation e.g. while awaiting the assistance of statutory authorities / emergency services, or in support of them.

It is not the role of the community to take on the responsibilities of these agencies e.g. to save life, to take any risks to themselves or to cope for long hours without agencies' help and support.

1.3 Objectives:

- Identify the risks to the community and relevant response actions
- Identify vulnerable people / groups in the community
- Identify resources in the community available to assist during an emergency
- Provide contact details for the Community Response Group (CRG), key community resources, the Emergency Services, and County and District Councils.

2. Characteristics of the Millom without Parish

The parish of Millom Without is a sparsely populated rural community including 2 larger villages (The Green and The Hill), several smaller hamlets (Hallthwaites, Lady Hall) and a number of outlying farms and residential properties with a total population of circa 850. The Carlisle to Barrow railway line passes through the parish with a station at Green Road. There are 2 major roads through the parish the A595 and A5093 and a network of minor roads and tracks.

Landline telephone and broadband are available with mobile phone coverage patchy in some areas.

3. COMMUNITY RESPONSE GROUP (CRG)

Details of contact numbers will be held by the CRG Members. The Plan will also be accessible to local authorities and emergency services via the Cumbria Community Messaging System (CCMS).

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- ***Will coordinate with Local Authorities and Agencies**

4. POSSIBLE EMERGENCIES AND RISK ASSESSMENT

Risk assessment of the types of emergencies that would have an impact on our community and how local emergency planning could help.

Type of emergency	Potential risks	Actions to address those risks
Weather Related Risks	Residents are asked to evacuate houses for a prolonged period of time Significant damage to transport infrastructure Loss of power	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open Place of Safety (Village Hall) • Seek plan of action from Emergency Services • Ask volunteers to support emergency services only if requested • Set up food and drinks
Accidents / Disasters	Emergency response may be required as a result of major accidents/incidents in the immediate area or more widely in the locality. In the event of accidents/disasters the role of the emergency services is dominant with local responses and action significantly under their direction. There are a number of emergency plans already in place against major risks identified in the area. This plan and approach has been agreed by the Cumbria Constabulary as consistent with these plans and the activation of this plan can be triggered accordingly. Whilst it is not possible to anticipate all potential arising's, there are hazards and recent history in the local area that highlight areas for consideration, specifically: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nuclear disaster at Sellafield, Barrow or on the railway line resulting in a release 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make contact with Emergency Services and Local Authorities for instructions • Open up Place of Safety or seek alternative options in the local area or make contact with Local Parish Councils for support, if required

	<p>of radioactive material</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major traffic accident on the A595 resulting in extended closure of the only route towards Barrow and the South • Rail accident closing the Barrow Carlisle line and resulting in significant injuries (note that in general passenger levels are low on this line) • Air Crash given the location below the transatlantic flight path • Forest/Countryside fire damaging property and putting community and visitors at risk 	
Epidemic	<p>Whilst the impact of a pandemic or epidemic, affecting people or livestock, will fall under the management response of the emergency services and environment agency, it is foreseeable that local support and facilities could be required. The response would be highly specific to the nature of the impact of the disease and it is envisaged that the CEG would respond as requested by the authorities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take action as requested by the Authorities
Mains electricity power failure during cold weather conditions.	<p>Residents with no access to power for a prolonged period of time. Most vulnerable are those with only electric power, heat, and cooking facilities. Also older residents, the sick and very young are most at risk in cold conditions.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open up Place of Safety (Village Hall) for hot refreshments and information point. • Seek volunteers to deliver hot drinks and food

5. ACTIVATION OF THE PLAN

This plan will be activated when an emergency has occurred or if warnings are received, prior to an anticipated event. It will also be activated when emergency services need support or are not able to attend immediately e.g. in severe weather.

If this is the case, the CRG will assess the situation, ring Emergency Services if necessary, and consult with the District Council (see contact below). The CRG will then put all or part of the Plan into effect as appropriate.

6. COMMUNITY RESOURCES

6.1 Volunteers

Volunteers have indicated what tasks they may be prepared to carry out if an emergency occurs and what resources they can offer. This List will be held by members of the CRG.

Name	Contact	Offer of help / resources

(An **electronic** copy of the **unrestricted emergency plan** will also be made accessible to local authorities and emergency services via the secure Cumbria Community Messaging System (CCMS) - contact ACTion with Communities in Cumbria for details of how to do this.)

6.2 Place of Safety

District councils are responsible for setting up a central rest centre during an emergency. However, it may be necessary to set up a temporary place of safety within the community e.g. for visitors or for people evacuated from their homes. In our community, the place of safety will be Thwaites Village Hall / The Hill Village Hall. The CRG will contact the key holder and other volunteers as necessary.

During an emergency, volunteers will keep a record of actions taken. These will be entered in to a central log, kept by the CRG, so that they can be evaluated, and the plan altered if necessary. Information can be entered at the time, or directly after the emergency.

7. COMMUNICATION AND CONTACTS

Contact details for statutory authorities, emergency services can be found below.

Organisation	Tel:	Website / Email:
Emergency Services	999	
District Council: Copeland Borough Council		
Daytime	0845 054 8600 – available 24 hours	http://www.copeland.gov.uk
Cumbria County Council: (in case of concern for vulnerable adults or children)		
Daytime	01228 606060	www.cumbria.gov.uk
Out of hours (if different)		
Highways Hotline:	0845 609 6609	
NHS:		www.nhs.uk
Environment Agency:		

General Enquiries	03708 506 506	www.environment-agency.gov.uk
Floodline (24 hr)	0845 988 1188	
United Utilities: (24 hr - water)	0345 672 3723	www.unitedutilities.com
Electricity North West:	0800 195 4141	www.enwl.co.uk
National Gas Emergency Service: (24hr - gas leak / emergency)	0800 111 999	www2.nationalgrid.com/UK/Safety/Gas-emergency
Parish Meeting Clerk/Chair: <i>Lesley Cooper</i>		
Daytime	01229 775492	coopermarshside@aol.com
Local Place of Safety key holder: Thwaites Village Hall		
Daytime	01229 773284 / 01229 0310	

Other useful numbers are set out in Appendix 1 following an Emergency

8. PLAN REVIEW AND UPDATE

In order to keep this plan up to date, contact lists will be revised as needed, and the plan reviewed by the Community Response Group on annual basis.

Appendix 1 – Other Useful Points of Contact Following an Emergency

Following an emergency
British Red Cross – welfare support and
Practical help particularly if you are moved from
Your home. 0773 990 5956

Copeland Flood Recovery Fund – for grants and
financial help 01900 825760

Citizen Advice Bureau – help with insurance
claims, money issues and they can signpost you
to other sources of help.
Whitehaven Office
– 01946 693321
Millom Office –
01229 772395

First Step – for emotional support following any
trauma. Someone to talk to about how you are
feeling.
0300 123 9122

NHS Direct – if you are feeling unwell following
a flood or after cleaning up. 0845 4647 – available 24 hours

Copeland South Team comprises postcode
districts:
LA18 (Millom).
01946 506269
01228 526690 – Out of Hours

Age UK West Cumbria 08443 843 843

Children and Families Info line 08457 125 737

Cumbria Partnership NHS Trust 01228 602000

Shelter – advice with money worries as well as
Homelessness and other concerns. 0808 800 4444