

JOINT RESILIENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

21st January 2011

Action points arising from meeting held on 19th November 2010

ISSUE	ACTION BY JOINT RESILIENCE UNIT
Incident, Castle Hotel, Pontardawe	Multi agency debrief has not taken place as police personnel have changed roles and no one has taken ownership. This has been raised with Police Central, Swansea but it should not be the responsibility of the local authority to arrange.
WECTU Relationship	The relationship with WECTU is a strong one. The local authority has continually supported Project ARGUS events as one of the professional expert panel, sitting along side representatives from MWWFRS, SWP and WAST. These have involved shopping centres, hotels and the night-time economy. This support will continue.
Velindre Water Treatment Works	This will be re-arranged at a date to confirmed with the operator
Top Tier/Lower Tier COMAH sites	A report will be prepared for the JRC providing information on the number of sites and the criteria which determines the classification.
Elected Member engagement	This will be work in progress to consider alternative ways of engagement at future events.

PART 1

1. INFORMATION & AWARENESS

TOPIC:- Access to Services, NPTCBC Business Continuity Planning

Unfortunately, this will have to be re-arranged due to key personnel within the team working on specific strategic education projects. Having discussed this with the team leader, it will now be part of the proposed overview on business continuity planning, scheduled for May 2011.

PART 2

2. KEY PRIORITIES - Governance and Compliance

TOPIC:- Exercise LUDWIG VALE Europe Ltd (previously INCO) multi agency COMAH exercise

2.1. Purpose:-

- To present the Forward Action Plan as an outcome of the exercise
- To make Elected Members aware of the issues raised for the Local Authority in the participation in the multi agency exercise
- To discuss how the JRC may assist with the resolution of any issues

2.2. Background Information

- 2.2.1. This is one of our 5 top tier COMAH sites and as part of the regulations, it forms part of the 3 year programme for exercising the off site plan.

2.3. Recommendations

- JRC to review, scrutinise and make any further recommendations as appropriate
- JRC to monitor progress of the local authority issues and contents of the multi agency FAP as a result of the table top exercise.
- JRC to monitor the management of the FAP by the JRU

PART 3

3. BUSINESS/OPERATIONAL – Validation, Exercising and Information

TOPIC:- Exercise Bay Explorer multi agency exercise

3.1. Purpose:-

- To present the Forward Action Plan as an outcome of the exercise
- To make Elected Members aware of the issues raised for the Local Authority in the participation in the multi agency exercise
- To discuss how the JRC may assist with the resolution of any issues

3.2. Background Information

- 3.2.1. A major incident involving a passenger vessel requiring evacuation in or close to the SWLRF coastline has been identified, by the Maritime & Coastguard Agency (MCA) in the SWLRF Community Risk Register¹, as a high risk.

3.3. Recommendations

- The FAP will be discussed at the next meeting of the NPT/CCoS Resilience Partnership Risk Group and actions assigned to key partners with a view to completing a plan within 6 months
- The FAP to be presented to the SWLRF Co-ordination Group on 10th February (would have been on 22nd December but postponed)
- JRC to review, scrutinise and make any further recommendations as appropriate
- JRC to monitor progress of the local authority issues and contents of the multi agency FAP as a result of the table top exercise.
- JRC to monitor the management of the FAP by the JRU

¹ [Additionally in the Neath Port Talbot / City & County of Swansea Risk register](#)

PART 3 (cont)

4. BUSINESS/OPERATIONAL – Validation, Exercising and Information

TOPIC – JRC Programme Agenda

4.1. Purpose

To present to the committee, the proposed work programme agenda for the next 3 JRC meetings

4.2. Outcome

4.2.1. The work programme continues under the three key headings, being Information & Awareness, Key Priorities and Business/Operational

4.2.2. This work programme informs the agenda and reporting structure for the JRC

4.3. Recommendation

The JRC agrees to the proposed work programme.

TOPIC – Mid & West Wales Fire & Rescue Service meeting

4.4. Purpose

A meeting was arranged with Group managers from divisional command in NPT and Swansea to discuss partnership working

4.5. Outcome

4.5.1. A meeting was held with Ken Wall (NPTCBC Command) and Richie Webborn (Swansea Command) on 30th November

4.5.2. Discussion was held around the staff turnover and continuity of support to planning groups, attendance at exercises and general operational issues.

4.6. Recommendation

It was agreed that there will be quarterly meetings held to discuss local operational matters and a commitment to provide continuity to planning groups, exercises etc.

TOPIC – Incidents

4.7. Purpose

To inform the JRC of incidents where the duty officer has been contacted by Fire Control (or from a resilience co-ordinator) for information and/or assistance.

4.7.1. There have been two incidents since the last report in November.

4.7.2. One was a gas explosion in Llangennith (27/11) and a flood in a Primary school, Sandfields (26/12)

TOPIC – Exercise Titan – TATA (CORUS) multi agency exercise

4.8. Background Information

The multi agency exercise has been scheduled for 13th April 2011. More information will be provided at the March JRC meeting