# **THURGARTON PARISH COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PLAN**

### **Introduction**

The purpose of this Thurgarton Emergency Plan (TEP) plan is to help the community prepare for any emergency and minimise its impact should they be affected.

All major emergencies are to be dealt with by the emergency services, local authorities, utilities and voluntary agencies in a combined response.

The Parish Council is not an emergency service. It is not trained, equipped, empowered or resourced to be so. In an emergency, the response from the community should generally be confined to looking after the welfare of the people in it or helping to maintain the infrastructure.

However, in extreme conditions such as heavy snow or flooding, there is the possibility that there will not be an immediate response from emergency services. In such circumstances the initial response may rely entirely on local people. In this circumstance the TEP will be invoked, this plan is a coordinated and planned response depending upon local people to provide communication and suitable action depending upon need, and is ultimately in place to address the welfare of the village residents.

#### What to do if you identify an emergency:-

- If an emergency occurs, the first action should always be to contact the Emergency Services by dialling 999, then, if this emergency could affect other villagers, please contact your Co-ordinator or Base, see list below.
- If you identify an emerging or non 999 emergency then please contact your Co-ordinator or Base, see list and contact details below.

#### **Co-ordination**

Under the auspices of the Parish Council, and for the purposes of the TEP a number of residents have volunteered for several roles - Base and Deputy Base, and the village has been sub-divided into 6 areas, each of which has a Co-ordinator and a Deputy Co-ordinator. 10 volunteers are also available including those who can offer first aid. These Co-ordinators and volunteers can only be mobilised on the instruction of Base.

Base will act as a decision maker and a means of communication between all of the various agencies – Blue Light Services, Notts County Council, Internal Drainage Board, Newark & Sherwood District Council, Nottingham City Transport, Highways, Severn Trent water, Environment Agency, Utility companies, BT and Network rail – as well as communication with Co-ordinators, Deputy Co-ordinators and Volunteers. Base will also keep an incident log of all emergencies, and will arrange a de-brief after each emergency with all suitable people. Deputy Base will act as a deputy to Base when they are not available and may be directed by Base to undertake suitable tasks as required.

Co-ordinators will act as a means of communication between residents in their area and Base, and will be deputised by the Deputy Co-ordinators as required. Co-ordinators will provide Base with on-site situation reports as required in an emergency.

In an emergency Co-ordinators, Deputy Co-ordinators and Volunteers may be directed by Base to address particular tasks including road closure (only where properly trained to do so), the need for assistance for villagers or the need for repair to local infrastructure.

All village residents are asked to observe and report any issue to their area Co-ordinator or to Base in the event of an emergency.

Contacts	Mobile No.
Base – Austin Brady Deputy Base – Sue Howell	
Area 1 – The Park Robert Kirk – Co-ordinator Cyril Kirk - Deputy Co-ordinator	
Area 2 – Beck Street/Station Road Tina Tsoukatos – Co-ordinator Charles Day – Deputy Co-ordinator	
Area 3 – Priory Park Craig Collett – Co-ordinator Terry Cooney – Deputy Co-ordinator	
Area 4 – Bleasby Road Jon Fryer – Co-ordinator Margaret Edkins – Deputy Co-ordinator	
Area 5 – Main Street Katie Chan – Co-ordinator Joanne Green – Deputy Co-ordinator	
Area 6 – The Stables and Thurgarton Quarters Kevin McAndrew – Co-ordinator Nicola Cressey – Deputy Co-ordinator	

# **Assembly Points / Emergency Centres**

The following places can act as assembly points or emergency centres; the actual location used will depend on the nature and location of any emergency.

THE VILLAGE HALL - BLEASBY RD

#### Keyholder / Contact:

- Annie Duquemin xxxxxxxxxx
- David Lewis –xxxxxxxxxx

#### THURGARTON PARISH CHURCH

#### Keyholder / Contact:

### **Communication and process**

On receiving notification of an incident or major emergency affecting the community; Base will commence a telephone cascade process meaning that attempts will be made to contact all households in the village that are signed up to the Thurgarton Emergency Plan (TEP). Base, or Deputy Base on instruction by Base, will call each of the 6 Co-ordinators, and each Co-ordinator will start to call their list of households within the village.

The telephone cascade process has been set up for those residents who have provided their contact information. The system is dynamic and any households expressing an interest in the future can be added to the process. It has been emphasised that the first priority is to make sure that each resident is safe and sound in their own property before helping out in the community.

As required, Base will request assistance from a number of volunteers who have made themselves available in the event of an emergency, these tasks to include road closures, where suitable training has been provided, removal of debris, mounting flood protection (eg. flood guards / pumps / generators).

Base will also have access to a variety of resources that households have offered in the event of an emergency. Signing up to the TEP simply means that each household will receive information not that they have volunteered to undertake any activities.

## **Resources/Skills within the Community**

Residents have offered the following resources (contact details are know to Base who, with the help of the 6 co-ordinators, will request resource as required ):	There is a Resilience Store located in the Village Hall with a range of resources as below. Only designated volunteers may access these resources	
<ul> <li>Temporary accommodation</li> <li>Tractor</li> <li>Lifting equipment</li> <li>Several 4x4 vehicles</li> <li>Pumps</li> <li>Generators</li> <li>Trailers</li> <li>Chainsaws</li> <li>Boat</li> <li>Hydraulic Jacks</li> <li>Doctors</li> <li>Nurses</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>High visibility jackets and trousers</li> <li>Gloves</li> <li>Hard hats</li> <li>Road cones</li> <li>Sandbag shovels</li> <li>Aqua snakes</li> <li>Plastic sandbags</li> <li>Bags of Salt</li> </ul>	

In addition there is a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, the co-ordinator is Kevin McAndrew tel. xxxxxxxxxx.

The Thurgarton Village Email Service is also available, the co-ordinator for this service is Darryl North, regular contact at info@thurgarton.org.uk

Thurgarton Village Facebook page administrators are Natalie Robinson xxxxxxxxx or Denise Bryant xxxxxxxxx.

### **Vulnerable People in the Community**

A number of vulnerable people have been identified and details are with Base and the 6 co-ordinators who will contact them in the telephone cascade process and offer any additional assistance that may be required.

These residents fall into one or more of the following categories:

- Elderly
- Mobility / capability problems
- Impaired vision

## **Local Hazards/Threats**

Hazard	Hazard Location	
Railway Line	Outskirts of village	Network Rail
Thurgarton Beck	Beck St	TVIDB
Sewage Pumping Station	Station Rd	Severn Trent plc
Overhead Power Lines	Throughout the village	Network operator
Telephone Lines	Throughout the village	ВТ
Roads (2 school buses)	Throughout the village	Emergency Services
Large Trees	Corner Farm & Station Road	Newark & Sherwood DC Incident room (after 5 pm)
Drain Covers	Throughout the village	Severn Trent plc

# **Supporting Organisations Contact Details**

Many organisations have online resources and information which may be helpful to village residents. The Environment Agency in particular has a flood notification service and downloadable resources which can be used to prepare your own household.

Organisation	Tel. No.
Emergency Services	999
Local Police	Non emergency 101 PCSO 8254 Richard Dunn 07595 074292
County contact for Highways, paths etc.	03005 008080 (8am-6pm Mon-Fri, out of hours number available)
Environment Agency - Floodline	0345 9881188
TV Internal Drainage Board (Newark)	01636 704371 (office hours)
Severn Trent (24 hours)	0800 783 4444
British Telecom	0800 800151
Network Rail	03457 114141
NHS Direct	Dial 111
National Gas Emergency Line	0800 111 999
Newark & Sherwood DC	01636 650000 (will be directed to incident room)
NSDC Risk & Resilience	01636 655944
Electricity (Western Power Distribution)	0800 6783105

For more information about how a household can become more resilient, preparing for emergencies, knowing what to do in an emergency and preparing an emergency kit please see <a href="https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/emergencies-and-disruption/preparing-for-an-emergency">https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/emergencies-and-disruption/preparing-for-an-emergency</a>
There is also a template Household Emergency plan available on the Thurgarton website (www.thurgarton.org.uk) that can be used to prepare for an emergency.

## **Distribution of Emergency Plan**

- A copy of the TEP to be posted on the village web site.
- A copy to be provided to each of the local residents who have volunteered to be part of the Thurgarton Emergency Plan (TEP).
- A copy to be provided to Newark & Sherwood District Council and Nottinghamshire County Council Emergency Planning to be put on their websites and made available through a password to Emergency Services

## **Incident Log**

Base will keep a log of all requests for assistance or actions taken using the Incident Log shown in Appendix 1.

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