

NETHER WALLOP PARISH COUNCIL

To consider if the volunteer run Parish Resilience Plan should be reviewed.

The Resilience team has been run by outside of the Parish Council by volunteers:

Iain James, Edward Souter, Trevor Johnson.

The plan consists of:

- Plan details
- Local grid locations
- Useful contact numbers
- List of residents and assets / skills which may be useful. (This is not published)

During the last electricity outage, knowing 2 of the 3 volunteers were out of the country, the Parish Council took the following action:

1. All residents of Aylwards Way were contacted via Cllr Sangster and resident on behalf of the Clerk, to check if there was anything that was needed. (Hot water / food or a spare room)
2. Vulnerable people (known to the Clerk) were contacted to ensure that they were managing and getting help.
3. The Clerk and Village Hall booking manager considered opening the Village Hall early on Saturday morning, and agreed they would do so if it seemed anyone was in need or upon being asked. It was decided not to "leave it open and unmanned" for security reasons. No requests or contacts were received from anyone.
4. Offers of help were publicized on social media on Saturday morning, asking residents who were able to view the post, to check on their neighbours. (83 residents had seen the post by midday, so plenty had a signal and mobile phone batteries)

Since the event, there have been criticisms from a couple of residents that "more was not done", although nobody asked for help until the Sunday evening, and then did so by email whilst the internet was out. (Note: the complainers were very able bodied and live less than a 5 minute walk from 2 councillors and the Clerk.)

A resilience workshop is planned by TVBC on Wednesday 23rd March 2022 from 10am until 3pm in Eastleigh. The Clerk is going.

1. **Other Councillors / Volunteers available to attend?**
2. **Councillors to decide what (if any) other action should be taken by the council.**