Implementation Update of Approved Recommendations from Community Resilience Scrutiny Review

Recommendation	Implementation Status as of November 2013	Implementation Status as of November 2014
i) Strengthen Community Resilience by following best practice as implemented by others (e.g. East Riding of Yorkshire Council) through the introduction of Community Resilience Plans	Community (Resilience) Emergency Plans are already in place, the authority has 7 in place at the moment, albeit some of which have been in place without review for some time. Following Cabinet agreeing the recommendations from Scrutiny work has been ongoing to engage with communities approach to their own resilience Follow up questions: • Were these 7 plans in place before the review? - Yes • When were they introduced? - Templates and assistance were offered as far back as 2007 with varying levels of acceptance. Additionally 2 Speed training events were held previous to this last, in 2010/11- 1 at Riccall to which York Parish/ward councils were invited and	Parishes with existing plans have all been contacted with a view to update these. Currently work is ongoing to identify those communities most at risk in conjunction with the NYLRF Community Risk Register. These will also be contacted and asked to create a plan. Using the risk register to highlight a communities risk will hopefully entice them further to engage. In addition to this, the NYLRF community emergency plan template has been reviewed and updated to make it simpler for communities to complete. A further information pack with other agencies key messages has been included so that we are not duplicating work. A Twitter account has been created by the Emergency Planning team to not only encourage community resilience but

		 1 at York Council for Voluntary Services specifically for York parish/ward councils. • How up to date are they? Unknown - they are the property and responsibility of the Parish Councils • Are they all Parish Council ones? Yes 	personal and household resilience too. The feed in November will look at Business Continuity, the Environment Agencies Flood Campaign and the governments Get Ready for Winter campaign. A work plan has been created to look at personal and community resilience, business continuity planning amongst SME's and also school level resilience.
ii)	Work with Communities to help them identify any available external funding	 Will follow as a result of work coming out of (iii) Follow up questions: If any communities have decided to proceed what support has CYC given to help them identify ext. Funding? No communities have yet come forward, however the support will predominantly be guidance to support communities to do it themselves 	Good links with Rural Action Yorkshire and the CVS have been made. These organisations are best placed to identify funding and communities will be encouraged to make contact. As before, CYC can offer support and guidance with plans. We can also offer an A0 map of their parish area which will prove useful in their planning and any response.
iii)	Work with appropriate partners to encourage their support and assistance	A community training event was carried out on the 3 rd October supported by 5 Partners (Fire, Environment Agency, Met Office, British Red Cross & North Yorkshire Police) The aim was to provide focused information on how the agencies work and how	CYC constantly works with partners and aims to share relevant information. As previously mentioned, the templates and associated documents have been amended jointly.

communities could support them and how they could support the communities to become more resilient.

Follow up questions:

- How many attended the event?
 - 58
- Which communities did they represent?
 - Mainly residents, other attendees included representatives from Parish councils, City Councillors, Resident Associations, Yorkshire 4x4 Response, North Yorkshire County Council, AgeUK York, Derwent Infant School, Integrated Services – ACE and North Yorkshire and York PCT - Harrogate
- Are further events planned?
 - We will review and evaluate both this event and the flood conference, held earlier in the year, with a view to responding to feedback and running future events with a potential focus on how residents can help themselves and get involved e.g. volunteering.
- Does the pack produced contain the contact details for all the partners?
 - Yes

The follow on stage from this will be to work with interested communities to develop new Community (Resilience) Emergency Plans:

 How many have since expressed an interest in developing a community plan? Current work includes engaging with the Environment Agency as they target thousands of households in York with their annual flood campaign which will see media and social media engagement as well as individual properties at flood risk being leaflet dropped.

- None
- What follow up has been done to encourage them?
 - At this point none. The focus of the Emergency Planning team has been Business Continuity internally to the authority and a significant increased commitment to the Tour de France. We hope to re-contact all parishes/wards in the new year with offers of assistance.
- What response have Residents Forums given to the new Community Resilience Emergency Plans?
 - A number attended the speed training exercise, although none have yet come forward requesting support to develop a community resilience plan.