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**Subject:** Building Resilience Together Project - Community Response Plan Webinar Series

Good afternoon,

The Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Local Resilience Forum (LRF) has announced a series of online engagement events in association with the Building Resilience Together (BRT) project, which will be hosted online via Zoom.

This is a joint project involving the British Red Cross, Communities Prepared and the Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland LRF.

The aim of these sessions is to encourage as many communities as possible to have a Community Response Plan. This includes but is not limited to Town and Parish Councils, Tenants and Residents Associations and Faith based Communities and any other community groups who feel that they would benefit from having a plan.

BRT will be hosting a series of online webinars, which will talk through the whole process from start to finish, explaining what a Community Response Plan is, why it's important, what it should contain, who holds a copy and how often it should be updated. There may also be some in person sessions subject to the levels of interest.

Having these plans in place will encourage communities and residents to help themselves in the event of a major incident. The idea is not to replace the usual emergency responders but to have a plan in place, to know what assets and capabilities are available prior to the arrival of the emergency services. This is especially important when the whole area is impacted as we saw at the start of the year during Storm Henk, when our emergency services had numerous issues to respond to and had to prioritise those calls involving immediate threats to life.

It's hoped that as many groups as possible will be able to join these sessions. The LRF is also keen to hear from any groups who wish to explore how they can improve their resilience further. Ideally, groups should attend all three sessions but recordings will be available if required.

## <u>Session 1 – Afternoon and Evening (this is the same session repeated, the evening session will have more time for Q&As)</u>

This session will cover: Who are the LRF and what is a Community Response Plan?

**Date:** Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2024 **Start time:** 12:00 to 13:00 **or** 19:00 to 20:30

**Location:** Zoom (link to be sent following sign-up, 3 days prior to the session)

# <u>Session 2 – Afternoon and Evening (this is the same session repeated, the evening session will have more time for Q&As)</u>

This session will cover how to engage your community and complete your Community Response Plan.

**Date:** Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2024 **Start time:** 12:00 to 13:00 **or** 19:00 to 20:30 **Location:** Zoom (link to be sent following sign-up, 3 days prior to the session)

Session 3 – Afternoon and Evening (this is the same session repeated, the evening session will have more time for Q&As)

This session will cover updating, implementing and activating your Community response plan and who should hold a copy.

Date: Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2024

**Start time:** 12:00 to 13:00 **or** 19:00 to 20:30

**Location:** Zoom (link to be sent following sign-up, 3 days prior to the session)

Please feel free to forward this invite to Community Leaders and groups, Faith Leaders, Youth group leaders, in fact anyone within Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland who could spread this message on for the LRF.

The session will be recorded for anyone unable to make this date and time. Participants are reminded keep their cameras turned off if they do not wish to be seen on screen.

#### For all sessions, please sign up here using the MS Forms link:

#### https://forms.office.com/e/3n9jG919MG

If you have any queries or special requirements, please get in touch communityengagement@leics.gov.uk

Kind regards,

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