



WEST YORKSHIRE RESILIENCE FORUM

ANNUAL REPORT 2014 / 2015

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FOREWORD

It is with great pleasure that we introduce the fifth Annual Report for the West Yorkshire Resilience Forum (WYRF) which acknowledges its achievements over the last twelve months and sets out the path for the coming year.

It is essential that all organisations responsible for responding to emergencies and assisting those affected, work together to minimise the impact of such occurrences and ensure an effective and coordinated response. The WYRF is the mechanism by which all responsible organisations can plan and ensure that we in West Yorkshire are equipped and prepared to deal with any emergency that may occur. Emergencies have a huge impact on residents, communities and businesses and cause great distress through injury, loss of life, damage to property and people being forced out of their homes. The aim of the Forum is to be able to respond in an appropriate manner to help in their times of need.

As Co-Chairs of the WYRF, we remain confident in the commitment demonstrated by members of the WYRF to working together towards our common goal:

“Preparedness for any emergency”.

On a number of occasions over the past year our plans have been put to the test through incidents and exercises. We continue to learn from our experiences and use the key lessons that we pick up along the way to continually improve our response.

It is essential that we understand the challenges that face us and that we identify and address any gaps in our capacity and capability. The National Risk Assessments and our local risk registers help us to focus on what really matters to the people of West Yorkshire and empowers us so that we are equipped to deal with emergencies as and when they happen. The threat of terrorism, further industrial action, protest and the likelihood of severe weather are key issues that may have an impact on our county over the next twelve months. We enjoyed the Tour de France, one of the world’s largest sporting events, and are now looking forward to the Tour de Yorkshire as part of its legacy. This annual report sets out the strategic business plan to help ensure that all member organisations are working together to further enhance the resilience of the county.

We would like to thank all members of the Forum, the Management Group, the network of Sub Groups and the Secretariat for their hard work and commitment over the last year. We are sure that 2015 / 2016 will bring several challenges that will test our resilience but by working together and in striving to achieve the highest standards for the people of West Yorkshire we will continue to serve the communities and provide them with the response they deserve.

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Assistant Chief Officer
West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue

Tom Riordan
Chief Executive
Leeds Council

INTRODUCTION

The West Yorkshire Resilience Forum (WYRF) was formally established as a response to the Civil Contingencies Act 2004, but was built upon some very firm foundations of emergency planning that served West Yorkshire for several years beforehand. The Forum helps its members meet their legal statutory obligations, as set out in the Act, through important relationships and provides strategic leadership for the programme of work. It also enables 'co-operation' and 'sharing of information' between responders in an efficient and effective way.

Emergency Services, Local Authorities, the NHS and other public bodies are members on the Resilience Forum. Other organisations such as the Health and Safety Executive, Utility and Transport companies are represented on the Management Group and/or Sub Groups. The Voluntary & Faith Sector, the Military and the Department for Communities and Local Government, also participate fully in the partnership. Other responding organisations play a vital role in day to day emergency planning and have the right to be invited and attend meetings of the WYRF.

The WYRF Strategic Group meets formally on four occasions a year. However the bulk of the work of the WYRF is discharged through the Management Group and a network of Sub Groups.

WYRF has an agreed set of strategic objectives. These are:

- Provide a systematic, planned and co-ordinated approach to encourage Category 1 Responders, in liaison with Category 2 Responders, to address all aspects of policy in relation to the duties imposed by the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 which are:
 - Risk assessment
 - Planning for emergencies – including prevention and mitigation
 - Planning for business continuity
 - Publishing information about risk assessments and plans
 - Arrangements to warn and inform the public and other aspects of the civil protection duty
 - Co-operating and sharing information – to enhance co-ordination
 - The promotion of business continuity management by Local Authorities
- Make joint strategic, policy decisions relating to the County's preparedness and response.
- Maintain and publish the Community Risk Register and ensure it provides a robust basis for planning.
- Consider the implications of legislation, national initiatives and decisions that impact on the WYRF.

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- To approve an Annual Work Plan and provide clear direction to oversee the activities of and task the working groups in the form of the Management Group.
- Consider Cross Border Risks and work with partners from neighbouring Local Resilience Forums, especially around mutual aid arrangements.

This Annual Report aims to demonstrate the excellent partnership arrangements and cooperation across West Yorkshire in planning for and responding to emergency events.

It also demonstrates the achievements by members of WYRF and sets out the priorities and key challenges for the year ahead.

The intended audience are members of WYRF, Chief Executives and Chief Officers from member organisations, Category 1 & 2 responders and members of the public.

Member organisations are requested to promote the achievements of the WYRF and consider how the forthcoming Business Plan can be included within their own individual performance management structures.



WYRF PARTNER ORGANISATIONS



Public Health
England



THE WORK AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE WYRF DURING 2014 / 2015

All the groups across the WYRF have played an active part in taking key strands of work on and the below is a brief insight into some of the matters they have developed.

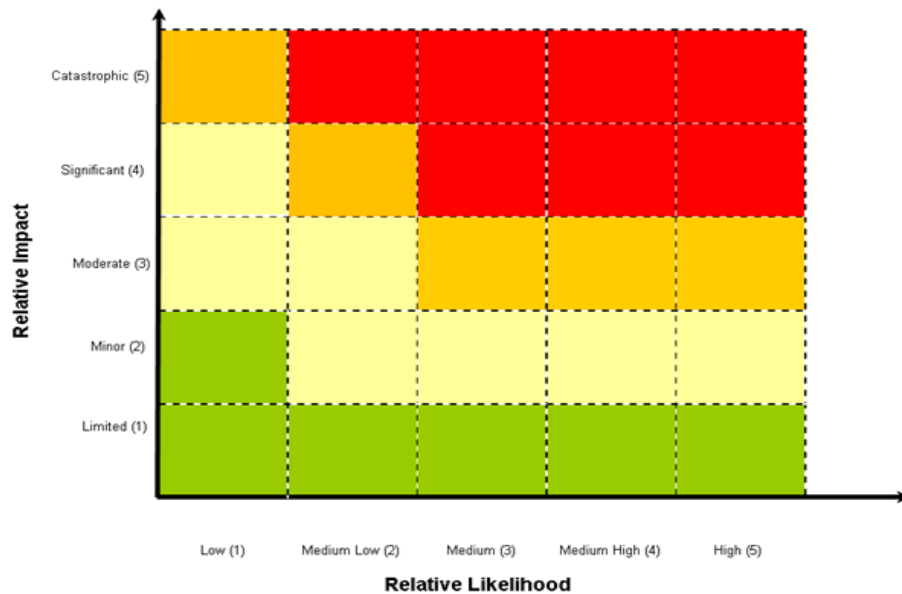
Key Work of the WYRF Sub Groups over the Past 12 Months

Mass Fatalities Sub Group:

The Chair, Neil Favager from Wakefield Council Emergency Planning Team, and the Deputy Chair, Andy Gale from the Bradford Mortuary, have pursued this area of work with drive and commitment. They have developed with guidance from both East and West Coroners a strategic level Mass Fatalities Plan that looks to address the issues around mass fatality events, they have also looked into mass body storage and how a “temporary building solution” may be the best fit going forward. The use of the Bradford Mortuary as the key facility has been recognised across the county and work is being developed at the request of a Coroner to look at this facility being seen as a centre of excellence across the wider region. Engagement with the Coroners and their staff across the county is ongoing which is vital to the work of the group. Work around Disaster Victim Identification (DVI) is another area that will be pursued over the next 12 months as a restructuring has taken place from the Police to look at regional resources and not just ones located within the county.

Severe Weather Sub Group:

Members of the Severe Weather Sub Group have developed a West Yorkshire Multi-Agency Severe Weather Plan to replace the various documents that were specific to a certain type of incident. This has involved a large amount of work by the Chair, Jason Shirazi, and it is only right that he is thanked for his contributions in this area. A big piece of work the group is looking to do is around awareness training for staff to understand the different types of severe weather colour matrix warnings that are put out by the Met Office to partners. The differences in the warnings are quite subtle but the outcomes if the warnings are not heeded could be very different. During the year each Local Authority has reviewed their multi-agency specific off-site plans for reservoir emergencies and all 5 districts are looking to exercise these plans over the next 12 months.



Risk matrix as mentioned above demonstrating that a **Medium Low** likelihood could lead to a **Catastrophic** impact depending on the circumstances.

The Met Office continues to support the resilience community with the provision of timely weather forecasts and warnings. Their presence at planning meetings and exercises has continued and the local Met Office Advisor is available to provide help, advice and support wherever and whenever required by the Category (CAT) 1 and Category (CAT) 2 responders. Close partnership working will be central to the aims and ambitions going forward. The Met Office were one of the key contributors along with Northern Powergrid to the strategic exercise that took place in early March 2015.

Resilient Communications Sub Group

The Resilient Communications Sub Group, chaired by Jim Grafton from Leeds Council and supported by Danny Cherry from West Yorkshire Police, continues to support all Emergency Services and Category 1 Responders within West Yorkshire with regard to provision of multiple alternative means of communication. Over the past year the sub-group has developed and used video conferencing to hold meetings across the WYRF and this will remain a key piece of work going forward to enable meetings to occur via LYNC or similar systems. The use of the National Resilience Direct website has continued to grow with more and more of WYRF documents being uploaded onto the site with appropriate access being given to those partners who need it. The Resilience Direct system now also includes a Mapping facility and the use of a shared system to allow partners to jointly respond / plan on a common platform. The 5 Local Authorities are also looking at different IT systems for their respective Incident Management and it may be that going forward this is also provided by Resilience Direct or one of its partners. Forced text messaging for emergency situations is being looked at nationally and this should hopefully assist all responders in dealing with critical situations.

Voluntary Organisations & Faith Sub Group:

With changes to the capacity and capabilities of the public sector the Voluntary Organisations are recognised as key partners going forward. This has been reflected with Andy Peers, from the British Red Cross, who now has a seat on the full WYRF Strategic Group and he is a key contributor at the meetings. The sub group is chaired by Rebecca Todd from Leeds Council Emergency Planning Team who has moved the group forward with an increase in participants and a more regular schedule of meetings. During the past year the voluntary sector provided great support to the Tour de France as it went through the county with mountain rescue teams, radio support, first aid and so much more. Work is underway looking at the Voluntary Community and Faith Sector (VCFS) Response Plan and the Activation and Response arrangements document to ensure that they are fit for purpose as the group grows and develops. The Resources, Evacuation and Recovery Sub-Group have assisted in producing a document in regard to humanitarian issues. Over the next 12 months one of the key issues for the sub group will be to run and test the response of the voluntary agencies to a short notice incident.

Warning & Informing Sub Group:

Chair, Sean Westerby from Kirklees Council and Deputy Chair, Michelle Flint from West Yorkshire Police are the leads on this sub group. They have reviewed and developed the West Yorkshire Media Protocol and Toolkit and these are now on Resilience Direct, the sub group is very aware of the key messaging that can be shared on social media and the growth of this key messaging stream is seen as critical going forward. Throughout the year when and where possible all partner organisations have used social media to share posts as appropriate and this will continue to ensure the “digital footprint” of the forum increases.

On Saturday 12th July 2014, the West Yorkshire Emergency Services Show took place at West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service HQ. This is the fourth year that responder organisations have come together to promote emergency preparedness and business continuity at the show.

Leeds Council - Communicated with community members about local risk and resilience. They did this by promoting and handing out “In case of Emergency” (ICE) cards and offering advice and information.

Kirklees Council - Emergency Planning Team attended to communicate messages of risk and resilience to community members. They did this by handing out their “Don’t Panic, Prepare” booklet and offering advice and information. The team also utilised promotional goodies such as balloons, lollipops, pencils, life-long bags and quizzes/word searches which all proved a success on the day.

- Infection Prevention Control Team attended to communicate messages of reducing the spread of infections. They had a variety of activities and resources for both children and adults to support this.

Environment Agency – Communicated with the public concerning flood risk. They aimed to educate members of the public using the flood kit and had a number of information leaflets to hand out. They also verbally offered advice and information.

Health (Mid Yorkshire NHS Trust and Bradford Teaching Hospitals) - The health representatives attended with a sample of the equipment they would use in their response duties. They used these visual aids to inform the public of how they would assist in emergencies, what the equipment is for and how it works.

West Yorkshire Resilience Forum Secretariat - Also attended in order to engage with visitors and attract them to the Resilience Village partner stalls.



The Emergency services Show at West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service HQ, Birkenshaw, thousands of people came along and enjoyed the day.

Recovery, Evacuation & Resources Sub Group:

Mike Powell from Bradford Council and Laura Crofts from Kirklees Council lead on this large portfolio and have pushed some key reviews of the work over the past twelve months. One major area that is being addressed not only within the county but regionally is the issue of East Coast Flooding, as it is likely that should the defences be breached or even look as if they may be, there will be an impact on the county to start standing up resources and potentially providing mutual aid. In March 2015 the Government Decontamination Service delivered an input in Leeds to key organisations that would be involved if a CBRN type incident occurred in the county and this provided some guidance to the sub-group to further the develop the already existing plans. It is likely that the strategic level exercise for 2105 / 16 will be CBRN focussed.

Health & Mass Casualties Sub Group:

Following the changes to commissioning health organisations in April 2013, the West Yorkshire Health Resilience Sub Group now takes direction from the Local Health Resilience Partnership (LHRP), whilst remaining a sub group of the WYRF (WYRF). Both groups have had a busy and productive year and are functioning and delivering well under the leadership of Adam Bland following the initial concerns around clarity of roles and responsibilities following transition.

Key highlights in 2014 / 2015 included:

- The successful health planning support to one of the largest sporting events in the world – The Tour De France.
- Development of a Pandemic Influenza Framework for Yorkshire as the West Yorkshire Plan was completed earlier this year, testing of the local plan took place in Leeds.
- Communication and Command post exercises which provided confidence and points of learning on the notification of health organisations in an emergency.
- LHRP are on with developing the Health Assurance Processes for this year after the completion of the process for last year.
- Continued joint planning for the Tour de Yorkshire after the success of the Tour de France.
- Collation of decontamination capability across hospitals in West Yorkshire in order to maintain appropriate response arrangements to chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear (CBRN) and hazardous materials (HazMat) incidents. This links in with the roll out of the new guidance for IOR (Initial Operational response) and SOR (Specialist Operational Response) to CBRN related matters.

With the restructure of the EPRR Teams across Yorkshire the following year will provide some tests in terms of exercising and incidents to our plans and contingencies.

Interoperability Sub Group:

This sub group is led by Andy Farrell from West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue and Patrick Casserly from West Yorkshire Police. The group's main focus is the effective partner agency management of the response to a Chemical, Biological, Radiological or Nuclear (CBRN) event, a Terrorist incident and embedding the JESIP (Joint Emergency Services Interoperability Programme) into the three blue light agencies and key partner organisations.

- *CBRN*
The training and roll out of Initial Operational Response to a CBRN Incident is well under way and it is expected to be complete during 2015/16.

The CBRN City Centre Specific Plan for Bradford is now complete, a generic approach will now be adopted to look at the remaining districts to ensure these are covered.

- *Terrorist related exercises*
During 2014/15 the West Yorkshire response to a terrorist related incident has been exercised on several occasions. Exercise 'Fade to Grey' tested the emergency services capability at operational level. This series of exercises provided the opportunity for on-scene commanders and operational responders to exercise their technical skills in a realistic scenario. The learning outcomes from the previous year were used to help develop the scenarios and make them more focussed and the feedback will be used to again further enhance the training.
- *JESIP*
JESIP Operational and Tactical Command Training has been delivered to the West Yorkshire Emergency Services and validation exercises took place in June and August 2014. The exercises were for the region and Carr Gate was used to test the 4 Yorkshire Police Forces, the 4 Yorkshire Fire Services and the Yorkshire Ambulance Service. The National JESIP Team attended the inputs to validate them and the feedback was excellent. Going forward JESIP is going to spread the key issue of working together to the wider responder community and invite partners to take part in the exercising and training regime.

Looking forward the work of this sub group will remain critical to ensure that all responders are ready for any incidents that should happen within the county especially in regard to the threat from international terrorism.

Training & Exercising Sub Group:

The Training & Exercising Sub Group meets on a quarterly basis and is chaired by Vince Macklam of West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue with Leah Bell as deputy from West Yorkshire Police. Key events for the group in 2014/15 were:-

On the 5th of March 2015 the sub group organised and ran 'Exercise Dark Night'. This was the yearly WYRF Gold (strategic level) exercise based on a period of severe weather which resulted in electricity blackout across the county. Feedback received was very positive and indicated that attendees found the exercise beneficial and gave a good insight into potential issues that may be faced during an actual event.

In late March 2015 a tri service JESIP exercise took place to test the response to a rising tide incident at the West Yorkshire Police Training Centre at Carr Gate Complex near Wakefield. The incident began with a "simple" road traffic collision with people trapped and deceased but this low level event went on to instigate serious disorder. The exercise focussed on how the three services worked together under perceived threat and genuine disorder, looking at joint understanding of risk and joint

decision making. Some key learning points have come from this very worthwhile exercise and are being developed through the sub group.

Throughout 2014/15 the Training & Exercising Sub Group have supported other sub groups in the planning and execution of various exercises. Looking forward the testing of the Tour de Yorkshire event is to be held in April 2015, also the WYRF has been and will be heavily involved in delivering training to over 1200 volunteers for the Tour de Yorkshire.

Risk & Capabilities Sub Group:

The Risk & Capabilities Sub Group has been re-established to ensure that in current times of threat and with the austerity that is ongoing the focus of the sub groups and resources is addressing the key areas of need, Dave Turner from West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue has been pivotal in driving this area forward. Following an extra-ordinary meeting of the group all the risks from across the WYRF, from both the public facing and restricted Risk Registers, were allocated to the most appropriate sub groups to manage and to report back on. This process will not be a short one as some of the risks are constantly changing and the threat continues to be very real for a variety of different reasons. In November 2014 the WYRF responded to the National Capabilities Survey and will continue to support our colleagues in the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) with this important piece of work. The Community Risk Register (CRR) for the county has been reviewed and it is thought that an easier to understand document is required for sharing with the public during 2015/ 16.

West Yorkshire Emergency Planning Officers (WYEPO) Seminars - During the last year the WYEPO seminars have looked at:

- Military Aid and Civil Authorities
- Pathways to Resilience from Northern Powergrid
- Safety Advisory Groups
- Restructure of EPRR
- Public Health England
- Human Trafficking
- JESIP

Some of key matters for the forum during 2014/15:

‘The Tour de France’

The Tour de France came to Yorkshire on the 5th and 6th of July 2014 and was a massive success with over 3 million people turning out to watch the event on the 2 days that it passed through Yorkshire. A huge thank you to all the partner organisations from across the county who assisted in the running of the race, there were some issues during the planning phase and on the actual days of the race that have provided key learning going forward but what a magnificent two days for Yorkshire and for all this involved.



CSE

Child Sexual Exploitation has become a huge issue nationally and across the county with serious investigations and prosecutions occurring across most of the districts. These despicable crimes have massive impact on the victims and it is absolutely right that they get all the support that the appropriate agencies can offer, the reporting and investigating of such offences will undoubtedly continue and potentially increase as trust in the agencies to investigate these matters gets better. The impact of such offences not only on the poor victims but across the communities in which they live cannot be underestimated and a genuine partnership approach has developed to look into such incidents and to deal with the issues raised in the correct manner.

International Terrorism

Europe in the early months of this year suffered some terrible atrocities from international terrorism and the threat against the United Kingdom has not been as high for a number of years. During the year the forum and the relevant sub groups have received updates as to the key issues and have ensured appropriate training for those who would have a pivotal role in responding to such matters has been developed and this will be continuing during 2015/16.



The attacks in Paris (left), police action in Belgium (below) and Copenhagen (below left) in the early months of this year highlight the potential issues that could be with the United Kingdom in the near future.



The Resilience Forum now also has a direct link with the West Yorkshire CONTEST Board to ensure that a combined approach at a strategic level is delivered to support all responders across the county.

Protest & Industrial Action during 2014/15

During the previous twelve months various organisations across the county of West Yorkshire have been subjected to industrial action. This has had the most impact on public bodies such as Local Authorities, Fire Service and Ambulance Service. Due to key partners coming together and developing contingency plans the impact has been significantly reduced on our communities.



Demonstration against austerity - February, Leeds 2015.

There have been a number of protests across the county that have been managed by the respective organisations involved.

EBOLA

Ebola had a huge impact on the National and Local health picture with contingency planning, exercising and testing taking place on a large scale.

At the end of March 2015 the National situation was:

- The risk of Ebola to the general public in the UK remains very low.
- According to the latest PHE monthly screening and testing activity summary over 6000 people have been screened on entry into UK ports from an Ebola-affected country since 14 October last year.
- Over 200 Ebola tests have been carried out by PHE's Imported Fever service.
- PHE has now deployed over 100 experts to assist the fight against Ebola in Sierra Leone, Guinea and Liberia.
- Another 400 PHE staff have been involved in monitoring the health of returning Ebola workers, managing the screening process at airports, stations and ports across the UK, and tracing contacts of UK Ebola cases.

The number of cases across the world would appear to be on a downward trend but the impact on people's lives cannot be underestimated, this will be an ongoing issue for several months and perhaps even years.

THE YEAR AHEAD - 2015 / 2016

Developments that may affect the West Yorkshire Resilience Forum.

- The “General Election” is due to take place in May 2015.
- The English Defence League (EDL) continue to protest across the country and have a right to do so but these events do impact on local communities. It is important to provide balance in supporting a legitimate right to protest and in protecting vulnerable communities going forward.
- The Tour de Yorkshire in May 2015.



- Partner organisations agreed to the continued support for the joint funding of the WYRF Manager and Secretariat Support for the three years, the final year is 2015/16. These will need to be addressed during this financial year.
- Finances and resources are under extreme scrutiny and some organisations have already reduced the resources available to support the work of WYRF and it is feared that the work of Emergency Planning will revert back to pre-Civil Contingencies Act days. This risk only increases the requirement for member organisations to support the WYRF especially in times of such austerity and for organisations to work to support each other.

WYRF BUSINESS PLAN FOR 2015 / 2016

1. Improve processes for the earliest identification of 'emergencies' (as defined under the Civil Contingencies Act, 2004), or 'those circumstances where a unified resilience response would add value to the communities of West Yorkshire';
2. To generate strategic or 'essential' alliances with neighbouring resilience forums, other non-core county responders, voluntary and private sectors based on common geographical risks, or capability / capacity requirements;
3. To continue to provide a joint training & exercising strategy to develop the skills of the partnership, and to test preparedness and planning;
4. To develop close working links with the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG), RED;
5. To improve the ability of all partners to meet their duty to 'co-operate' as described by the CCA (Regulations);
6. Improve partnership communication and interoperability;
7. To continue to review and monitor the performance of the WYRF

The West Yorkshire Community Risk Register (CRR) has been fully reviewed and amended by the Management / Risk and Capabilities Sub Group. The very high and high risks plus the threats will continue to drive the work programme for the following year. The work programme also includes the capabilities that are required to be in place within the county, such as arrangements to deal with mass casualties.

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Therefore the work programme for 2015 / 2016 will include work on:

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSIBLE SUB GROUP CHAIR
Responses to a Terrorist Incident(s)	<p>Work will continue on planning to respond to :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attacks on crowded places, • Attacks on transport networks • Attacks using non-conventional agents (chemical, biological, radiological agents) • Attacks on critical infrastructure 	<p>Supt Patrick Casserly (West Yorkshire Police)</p> <p>Group Manager Andy Farrell (WYFRS)</p>
Severe Weather, Flooding and Dam Inundation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review site specific reservoir inundation plans • Develop and deliver site specific local off site reservoir inundation exercises • Review and amend the West Yorkshire Multi-Agency Flood Plan • Consider seasonal weather risks and take action to mitigate e.g. heat wave, heavy snow, ice and drought. 	<p>Jason Shirazi (Kirklees Local Authority)</p>
Mass Casualty Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review Flu Pandemic arrangements • Develop MERIT arrangements • Develop plans to support partial hospital evacuation • Develop and provide assurance about Advanced Casualty Clearance Stations (ACCS's) • Review arrangements for a Scientific and Technical Advice Cell (STAC) 	<p>Adam Bland (NHS England)</p>

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Mass Fatality Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and develop the West Yorkshire Mass Fatality Plan • Develop an Eastern and Western area Temporary Mortuary Plan • Conduct an exercise to test the Plan(s) • Review arrangements for body storage in each district. 	Neil Favager (Wakefield Local Authority)
Training and Exercising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan and deliver a Gold level exercise. • Deliver multi-agency training and work shops • Undertake 3 COMAH exercises over the year • To ensure all agencies arrangements for training & exercising are coordinated • To disseminate and share best practice across all relevant organisations 	Group Manager Vince Macklam (WYFRS)
Risk and Capabilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review the West Yorkshire Community Risk Register • Ensure that the Community Risk Register is published appropriately • Examine work undertaken as part of the CONTEST strategy • Challenge resilience in relation to Essential Services 	Dave Turner (WYFRS)
Resources, Evacuation & Recovery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each district to continue to develop multi-agency evacuation plans and take into consideration large scale evacuation both inward and outward and the short, medium and long term consequences. • Provide training opportunities for staff involved in Humanitarian Assistance to the public. • Continue to work with neighbouring / other LRF's in planning for a mass evacuation / invacuation scenario. 	Mike Powell (Bradford Local Authority)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain arrangements in relation to a fuel disruption • Train and exercise the West Yorkshire Fuel Protocol • Review the Resources / Logistics Protocol • Maintain emergency arrangements with local suppliers 	
Warning, Informing and Community Resilience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to develop public awareness campaigns for those risks identified as very high and high in the Community Risk Register. • Encourage community resilience in vulnerable communities. • Review arrangements for warning and informing the public • Continue to develop the use of social media to warn and inform the public, e.g. Twitter / Facebook • Exercise arrangements for warning and informing the public. 	Sean Westerby (Kirklees Local Authority)
Voluntary Organisations and Faith Communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain the West Yorkshire Voluntary Organisations and Faith Communities Plan • Organise a training event • Conduct an exercise to test the plan 	Rebecca Todd (Leeds Local Authority)
Resilient Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to train and exercise first responders in the use of Airwave Inter-operability • Members to maintain arrangements for MTPAS • Train and exercise the Resilient Telecoms Plan • Train additional Police Officers and exercise the High Integrity Telecoms System (HITS) • Review and amend the Resilient Telecoms Plan • Provide guidance and support in relation to Resilience Direct 	Jim Grafton (Leeds Local Authority)

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FINANCIAL REPORT

Partner contributions for the running of the WYRF

West Yorkshire Police	£8,000
WYFRS	£8,000
YAS	£8,000
Bradford LA	£8,000
Calderdale LA	£8,000
Kirklees LA	£8,000
Leeds LA	£8,000
Wakefield LA	£8,000
NHS	£16,000
Total - £80,000	

Current WYRF Personnel

Inspector Anwar Mohammed	- WYRF Manager
Jill Summerscales	- WYRF Secretariat

(The shortfall in funding is picked up by West Yorkshire Police).

APPENDIX 1 - List of WYRF Members

Co-Chairs: West Yorkshire Police West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Leeds Local Authority	ACC Mark Milsom ACO Dave Walton Chief Executive Tom Riordan
West Yorkshire Police	Angela Williams
West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service	Ian Dunkley
Yorkshire Ambulance Service	Ian Walton
British Transport Police	Eddie Wylie
Bradford Local Authority	Steve Hartley
Calderdale Local Authority	Robin Tuddenham
Kirklees Local Authority	Rachel Spencer – Henshall
Leeds Local Authority	Mariana Pexton
Wakefield Local Authority	Andrew Wallhead and Andrew Balchin
Environment Agency	Catherine Saxon
NHS England and Co-Chair of the Local Health Resilience Partnership	Brian Hughes
Public Health England (PHE)	Dr Graham Sutton
Armed Forces	Lt. Col. Graham Whitmore
Northern Resilience Team (DCLG)	David Facey
Highways Agency (HA)	Andrew Charnick