

Minutes (Public Version)

Meeting	London Local Resilience Forum
Date	Monday 2 June 2014
Time	2.00pm
Place	Committee Room 5, City Hall

In Attendance:

Chair James Cleverly AM

John Conaghan, Superintendent, British Transport Police (on behalf of Paul Crowther OBE, Chief Constable)

Don Randall, Head of Security, Bank of England (Business Sector Panel)

John Barradell, Town Clerk and Chief Executive, City of London Corporation (Chair, Local Authorities Panel)

Ian Dyson, Assistant Commissioner, City of London Police (on behalf of Adrian Leppard)

Col. Hugh Bodington, Chief of Staff, London District (Military)

Clare Wormald, Head of Strategy, Performance and Assurance, Department for Communities and Local Government (on behalf of James Cruddas)

Simon Hughes, Environment Agency

The Ven. Luke Miller, The Archdeacon of Hampstead (Faith Sector)

Liam Lehane, London Ambulance Service

John O'Brien, London Councils

Ian Kemp, London District

Steve Hamm, Assistant Commissioner, London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority

Andrew Pritchard, Head of Emergency Planning and Water, London Fire Brigade

Mark Rowley, Assistant Commissioner, Metropolitan Police Service (MPS)

Ed Stearns, Gold Communications Group Chair, MPS

Nikki Smith, NHS England (London)

Yvonne Doyle, Public Health England

Sarah Burchard, Emergency Risk Specialist, Thames Water (Utilities Sector)

Nigel Furlong, Head of Resilience Planning, Transport for London (Transport Sector Panel)

Greater London Authority officers:

Hamish Cameron, London Resilience Manager

Tom Middleton, Head of Governance and Resilience

Anna Flatley, Senior Committee Officer

1. Introductions and Apologies for Absence

- 1.1 The Chair opened the meeting by asking attendees to identify themselves and state

which organisation they were from.

- 1.2 Apologies were received from; Adrian Leppard, Commissioner, City of London Police; Seamus Kelly, St John Ambulance (Voluntary Sector Panel); Paul Crowther, Chief Constable, British Transport Police; Peter Guy, Network Rail.

2. Minutes and Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

- 2.1 The Forum confirmed the minutes of the meeting of the Forum held on 6 February 2014 as a correct record.

3. London Resilience Forum Dashboard Report – key issues and considerations for LRF discussion (June 2014)

- 3.1 **Threats** – MPS gave an oral report on current threat levels noting that they were substantial for international terrorism and moderate for dissident UK-related terrorism.
- 3.2 **Hazards** - DCLG gave an oral report on the hazards which may arise in the next months. This included disruption to fuel supply as a result of industrial action by tanker drivers or the loss of supply from refineries and flooding especially ground water flooding. The emergence of the Ebola virus in West Africa is being closely monitored by Public Health England. There is a risk of co-ordinated industrial action in the public sector.
- 3.3 **London Resilience Communicating with the Public Framework** – The Chair introduced the paper, developed by the Communicating with the Public Group.. **The LRF approved the Communicating with the Public Framework.**
- 3.4 **London Resilience Mass Evacuation Framework** – Ian Dyson introduced the paper which was aligned to the next paper and was the product of considerable work. He reported that training and exercising needs analysis was now taking place. **The LRF approved the Mass Evacuation Framework.**
- 3.5 **London Resilience Mass Shelter Framework** Andrew Pritchard introduced the paper and added that both this framework and the previous one had been successfully road tested at the Sub-Regional Forums. **The LRF approved the Mass Shelter Framework.**
- 3.6 **London Resilience Excess Deaths Framework.** Andrew Pritchard introduced this paper which had been significantly revised and was wide ranging and had been subject to testing. The Chair welcomed the greater flexibility in the paper. **The LRF approved the Excess Deaths Framework.**
- 3.7 **London Resilience Water Supply Disruption Plan** – Sarah Burchard introduced this paper, explaining that it was a short plan rather than a framework. The plan sets out the multi-agency response for London to water supply disruption. The work had been ongoing since 2008 and agreement had now been reached on ownership and funding issues. **The LRF approved the Water Supply Disruption Plan.**
- 3.8 **Interoperability – Joint Emergency Services Interoperability Programme**

(JESIP) Steve Hamm gave an update on JESIP, confirming that all blue light services were currently undertaking joint training. The project was on track to deliver all relevant front line training within the 2014/15 financial year which was recognised by the Forum as a considerable logistical achievement.

- 3.9 **Airwave** – plans to replace Airwave were discussed.
- 3.10 **London Emergency Services Liaison Panel (LESLP)** - Mark Rowley gave an update on LESLP. It was noted that LESLP still had value and should be seen in the future as part of the LRF partnership. The London Resilience Manager reported that this would be factored into the workplan and the MPS were to prepare a paper on it.
- 3.11 **Partnership Lessons Database Status Report (46 09)** - The London Resilience Manager introduced the paper, which was the first time this paper had been brought to the Forum and was intended to allow it to ensure that lessons learnt from incidents were implemented. The Chair strongly supported this paper and encouraged honesty between partners to ensure lessons are learnt more quickly.
- 3.12 **Apollo Theatre Incident – Dec 13** - Liam Lehane informed the LRF that the debriefing on this major incident took place on 23 April. A draft debriefing report had been produced and the recommendations were summarised.

4. Organisation/Sector Updates

- 4.1 **Local Authority Panel** – LAP has considered the capacity and capability of Local Authority emergency planning teams. It is reviewing training for emergencies for Chief Executives.
- 4.2 **Business Sector Panel** – discussions on cyber incidents had taken place at the panel, and it was asked how this fitted in with the work of the LRF. The panel had also received a useful briefing on the impacts of space weather.
- 4.3 **The London Resilience Manager was directed to arrange a briefing on cyber incidents and space weather for the next meeting. The Business Sector panel is to circulate a paper on resilience to cyber risks.**
- 4.4 **Health** – It was reported that the London Health Resilience Partnership would meet in the following week. Patch resilience panels have been established and are meeting.
- 4.5 **Utilities** – It was reported that the Utility Sector Panel is reviewing plans for issues gas and power supply disruption.
- 4.6 **Faith** – The Faith Sector Panel had considered the Excess Deaths Plan. It was noted that whilst the majority of faith representatives were volunteers they were not part of the Voluntary sector.
- 4.7 **Transport** – Both space weather and cyber incidents would be entered on to the LRF risk register.
- 4.8 **Sub Regional Resilience Fora** – Andrew Pritchard reported that the pandemic flu workshops were being cascaded down into boroughs. A set of Guidance for the BRF had been launched by the LRF Chair on 2 April with a very good attendance. He

reported that Local Authorities had held a briefing event on the Tour de France. PHE reported that it had plans in place for enhanced surveillance for such events.

5. Review of Actions and Confirmation of Priorities for the Next Four Months

- 5.1 The London Resilience Manager introduced this paper which sought approval for the revised priorities of work as set out for the next four months. Members of the LRF asked what the situation was with the overall capability review. It was noted that the Cabinet Office will be running the National Capability Survey 2014 for all Category 1 and 2 responders and LRFs from 24 November until 5 December. It will be hosted on Resilience Direct. **The LRF then approved the revised priorities of work.**

6. Any Other Business

- 6.1 **DCLG Update** - Clare Wormald asked that the DCLG be given a regular spot on future agendas, which was agreed.

The Government is looking at the lessons learnt from recent flooding with the aim of increasing readiness. The focus is on greater understanding of the flood risk, especially surface flooding; preventative action including warning/informing systems; and incident management and response e.g. making the military involvement more flexible.

7. Date of Next Meeting

- 7.1 The next meeting was scheduled for Monday 6 October 2014 at 2.00pm.