The Emergency Resilience Team

While this winter’s weather has so far been much quieter than last year, the forecast over the Christmas period looks much more unsettled. Fife Council is well prepared for this though, and the Emergency Resilience Team has developed, in partnership with other council services, generic emergency plans and arrangements. These ensure that we all work together to prepare for, respond to and recover from an emergency, such as severe weather, effectively and efficiently.

Find out more about these plans here.

Community Resilience

Do you know who to phone during a power cut? Most people would contact their electricity supplier, rather than their local network operator. Phoning the new 105 number (free of charge) will put you through to your local network operator, no matter who they are, who will be able to give you help and advice. Find out more about this number and about what to do during a power cut here.

Are you ready for anything? This year, the Scottish Government have replaced their ‘Ready for Winter’ Campaign with the new ‘Ready Scotland’ campaign. This incorporates much more than winter weather and will run across the whole year so keep a look out for updates, advice and helpful links on a range of media outlets, as well as on the Ready Scotland Resilience News blog.

Would you like to find out more about Community Resilience in Fife? On the morning of the 20th of January, 2017, the Fife Local Resilience Partnership will be holding a Community Resilience Awareness Workshop at Lynnebank Hospital in Dunfermline. With representatives attending from a range of community groups and organisations, as well as from response agencies, the workshop will provide a great opportunity for sharing experiences, knowledge and awareness of resilience at the local community level. We have limited spaces available on the day but would like to offer your group/organisation 2 spaces at this event - if you would like to attend, and haven’t already been in touch, please let me know on emma.palmer@fife.gov.uk by the 5th of January, 2017.

If your community group would be interested in considering community resilience arrangements, or if you have any questions, get in touch with me, Emma Palmer, on 03451 555555 ext. 442373 or at emma.palmer@fife.gov.uk.

If you know of any other groups who may be interested in information on community resilience, please share this newsletter with them.

Finally, have a safe and very Merry Christmas and New Year!