

# Resilient Communities

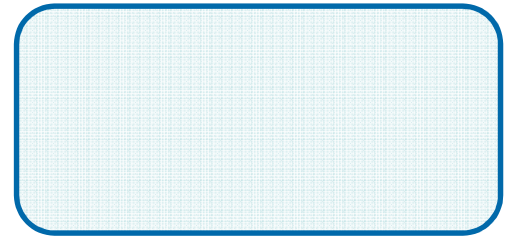
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# December 2015 Floods - Lancashire

- × Around 2150 properties Flooded across Lancashire
- × 10 Community Flood Roadshow Events held in Lancashire
- × Community Sub-Group set up as part of Flood Recovery



# Resilient Communities

“To me ‘**Resilient Communities**’ are communities who can best utilise their local knowledge, skills and resources, combined with prepared plans and procedures, to improve their effectiveness in emergency situations.”

✗ (Paul Bond – initial thoughts 18/2/16)

Within a Resilient Community volunteers should not be placed in any danger or seek to replace the Emergency Services.

# Community Resilience – What Is It?

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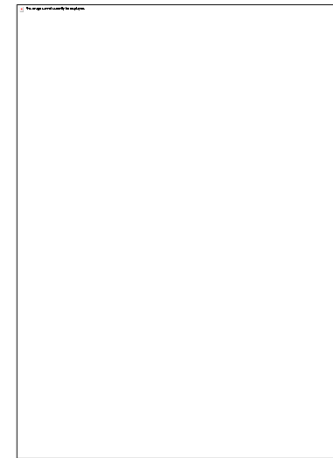
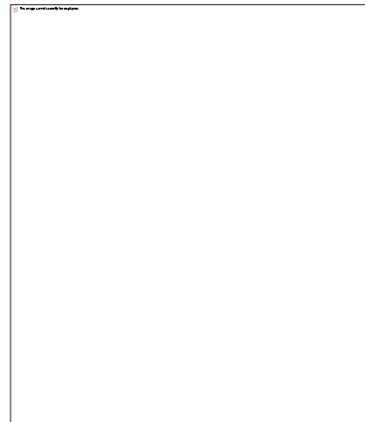
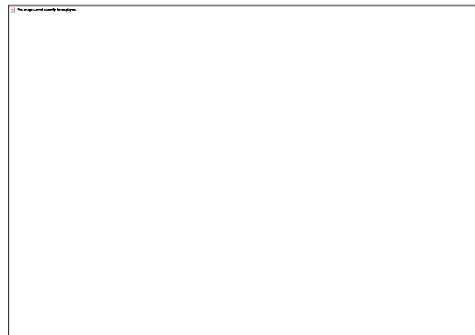
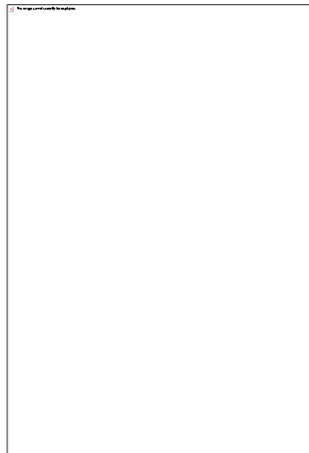
- × Communities knowing where they can find support
- × Being able to cope
- × Helping each other
- × Being clear on what support statutory agencies can provide
- × (Extract from Community Resilience presentation material for Cumbria)

# What you can do now

- ✗ Have a plan – Guidance Found at:-
- ✗ [www.gov.uk/government/publications/flood-plan-guidance-for-communities-and-groups](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/flood-plan-guidance-for-communities-and-groups)
- ✗ Assemble a flood kit (beforehand)
- ✗ Have a Personal Flood Plan
- ✗ Sign-up for Flood warnings if available
- ✗ Know where to go
- ✗ Wait for instructions from emergency services
- ✗ Call 999 if you are stranded

# How to become a more resilient Community

- ✗ Decide what the community is ? e.g. is it a town, village or 2 neighbouring villages ?
- ✗ Form a Community Emergency Group
- ✗ Develop a Community Emergency Plan using the tools available (e.g. 10 Step Plan)



# What Next ?

- ✗ Explore the options with professional partners to agree how best to deliver Community Engagement.
- ✗ Establish a list of Community Leads so that effective communications with communities can occur.