

## **Steps to be taken in order for the village to be prepared for emergencies**

The overall emergency preparedness process includes the following steps:

- Area coordinators should be generally aware of people in their street or area, particularly anyone who may have special requirements such as medical equipment that requires power or a house that is particularly subject to flooding, etc. Residents with special power requirements will be encouraged to register for SSE Priority Services Register ahead of time at <https://sse.co.uk/help/accessibility/priority-services-register> or by calling 0800 622 838. This will give residents priority help in the event of a power cut.
- Area coordinators will distribute leaflets identifying key emergency preparation activities that all residents should be aware of. The leaflet will provide emergency telephone tree contacts. Residents should let their Area Coordinators know if they want to be notified of emergencies.
- In the event of an emergency, the overall coordinator, or an alternate, will ensure that all of the area coordinators are aware of what is happening via What's App, email, or telephone. The village website and Facebook page will also provide information.
- Depending on the situation, we may decide to call a meeting of the Emergency Team at the Village Hall and use it as a support centre for the village.
- The Village Hall is designated as the primary meeting point and support centre for residents requiring help. Actions have been taken to enable there to be facilities available there such as emergency power and phone charging facilities.

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