



**East Budleigh  
Emergency Plan  
Summary Guide for Residents**

**East Budleigh with Bicton  
Parish Council**



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# Overview of the Emergency Plan

## Our 1<sup>st</sup> Response Team

**CRT**

Community Response Team

The Emergency Plan provides an outline for locally managing situations that may threaten our safety, wellbeing, homes and other property. Our '1<sup>st</sup> Responders all live close by and have volunteered to assist their fellow villagers.

## Our Aim

To provide rapid help to protect residents and their property and support the most vulnerable when unforeseen, as well as anticipated emergencies (including weather related events) arise.

## Our Area



Within the East Budleigh with Bicton Parish Boundary



# Community Response Team

## CRT 1<sup>st</sup> Responders

We have 12 volunteers who live in East Budleigh and Yettington.

The team includes an Emergency Resilience Coordinator and 2 Flood Wardens.

Each member of the team is provided with Hi Visibility outerwear and head torches for their safety, and to enable response during day or night. The safety wear clearly identifies individuals as working on behalf of the Parish.

30 additional volunteers are on hand to assist the CRT if needed.

Contact details for each CRT member is available in the Emergency Plan.

The Team may need to knock on your door to alert you to a situation that is arising. Please help by following any guidance that is provided.

The team is also ready to help you personally when urgent need arises. Members can be despatched to meet emergency services, including Air Ambulance, to help you in any emergency situation.



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## Community Emergency Refuge

### **A Place of Safety where you'll be looked after**

Some situations that could arise may call for evacuation of properties.

Loss of power, or flooding, are just 2 examples where you may be forced to leave your home temporarily.

The CRT will make an Emergency Refuge available to provide a safe place where you will be looked after. Our Primary Designated Refuge is The East Budleigh Village Hall.

Other suitable venues within the Parish may be brought into service if necessary. These could include: Drakes School, The Church Hall, Salem Chapel or The Sir Walter Raleigh Public House.

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# The Emergency Plan

The most up to date version of our detailed Emergency Plan is always online and available via the Parish Council website at

[www.eastbudleigh-pc.gov.uk](http://www.eastbudleigh-pc.gov.uk)

The document is reviewed each year and updated regularly as we learn more about managing unforeseen situations and supporting local and national agencies and emergency services.

At all times we simply aim to provide manpower resources to fill any potential gap between an emergency arising and professional services arriving to take control. Our local knowledge may be invaluable to Police, Ambulance and Fire Services.

The Emergency Plan provides Risk Assessments, Communication links, Contact Details and guidance on clear and effective action that may need to be taken.

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Throughout ongoing emergencies, such as a pandemic, the Emergency Plan provides a framework to enable volunteer support for vulnerable residents, and a communication route for the most elderly to ensure essential supplies of food and medication etc are maintained.

## Becoming more resilient

### Property Flood Resilience Funding Scheme

[www.devon.gov.uk/](http://www.devon.gov.uk/)

Devon County Council aims to help individual property owners be better equipped with the tools and basic defence measures they need to be able to deal with flooding. See if you are eligible to apply for funding.

### Parish Council support



Filled sandbags are available from a central store adjacent to the Community Shop. The store is open and manned when flood situations arise. In addition, 'Flood' road warning signs will be deployed to manage vehicles approaching hazardous sections of roadway under water.

### Playing your part



Budleigh Brook is the main cause of flooding risk in our Parish. You can play your part by helping keep the brook clear of plant growth that may impede the flow of water. Keeping kerbside drains unblocked is another way we can all help minimise the chance of flooding.