

Milton Damerel Parish Emergency Plan

Dear Householder/Resident

1. **A Parish Emergency Plan** for Milton Damerel has been developed to help the community cope with any emergency that is beyond the scope of normal emergency services. The full plan may be seen on application to the Parish Clerk.
2. **The Emergency Plan** will normally only be activated in an extreme case (as in 3. below), and only when the emergency services cannot react. In effect, it formalizes the common sense self-help measures that we would take in any case.
3. **Situations** which could result in activation of the emergency plan include:
 - Snow and ice causing prolonged¹ isolation of the community.
 - Prolonged loss of power after storms etc.
 - Aircraft crash on inhabited area.
 - Pandemic.
 - Shortage of essential supplies (caused by industrial action or outside influence).
4. **An Emergency Response Team** has been established to act on behalf of the Parish Council. The team will co-ordinate action in an emergency, and you will be advised accordingly.
5. **A list** has been drawn up of resources available within the parish. This includes individuals' skills (medical, engineering, administration etc), equipment and materiel. (This information is known only by the Response Team and the Parish Council.)
6. **If the plan is activated** you will be informed by one or more of various means – telephone, word of mouth, notices etc. Depending on the nature of the emergency you should, where possible, “stay in and tune in” - BBC Radio Devon (94.8, 95.8, 96, 103.4, 104.3 FM) may broadcast information.
7. The reverse of this letter may be used – at any time, regardless of whether or not an emergency is taking place – in order to try to alert people that you have a problem. Place it in a prominent position in a door or window. Please use it only in extremis and if you are unable to get help from family or neighbours. Do bear in mind, though, that its display does not guarantee assistance being given!

¹ Prolonged – a period of several days or more causing genuine hardship.

To be used only in emergency

Display in a prominent position in a window or doorway.
Please note – display of this sign does not guarantee that help will arrive.

This sign means that someone may be in need of help.
As you react – get someone else to assist you.
Try to get a witness if you have to break in.

***For emergency services
Dial 999***