



Working for the Community in Rotherfield, Mark Cross, Eridge Green, Boarshead and surrounding areas

Rotherfield Parish Council Emergency Response Strategy

The Parish Council will work alongside the Rotherfield Emergency Action Community Team (REACT) in an emergency. This document sets out some specific roles and responsibilities for the Parish Council.

Rotherfield Parish Council will provide the following infrastructure support in a local and declared emergency.

Incident	Actions
Storm Damage and Disruption	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Councillors and contractors working to clear roads of debris.• Clerk to provide updates on incident both online and on noticeboards if safely accessible.• Council to call upon volunteers to assist if required.• Councillors to encourage neighbours to check in on neighbours
Flooding	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parish Council to hold and maintain a quantity of sandbags that residents can request use of. Sandbags to be stored at Horsegrove Farm. Contractors and Councillors to deliver sandbags if request is for a vulnerable person.• Clerk to provide updates on incident both online and on noticeboards if safely accessible.• Councillors to encourage neighbours to check in on neighbours
Snow & Ice	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parish Council to hold and maintain a quantity of rock salt that can be used by authorised contractors under the direction of the Parish Council. Rocksalt to be stored at Horsegrove Farm.• Parish Council to ensure the annual filling of rock salt bins across the Parish.• Contractor (Tollwood) to be asked to clear Rotherfield Surgery Car Park and Rotherfield Recreation Ground.• Contractor (Will Clark) holds a snow plough for East Sussex and could be approached to assist with clearing access to roads not covered by the East Sussex Highways Gritting Team.• Clerk to liaise with Rotherfield St Martin regarding access to and for vulnerable residents and offer assistance where necessary.• Clerk to provide updates on incident both online and on the noticeboards if safely accessible.

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Water Outage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk to provide updates on incident both online and on the noticeboards if safely accessible. • Clerk to liaise with South East Water on the setting up of a bottle station at Rotherfield Village Hall. This will be managed by Councillors until South East Water Staff arrive. • Clerk to alert the PCSO's. • Clerk in liaison with Rotherfield St Martin to ensure that priority register deliveries of water are received. • Clerk to liaise with Rotherfield Millennium Green regarding access to grey water from the well on the Green. • Councillors to encourage neighbours to check in on neighbours.
Power Outage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk to provide updates on incident both online and on the noticeboards if safely accessible. • Clerk to liaise with UK Power Networks to understand the complexity of the outage and provide updates to the community. • Clerk to liaise with Rotherfield St Martin to offer support where required. • Councillors to encourage neighbours to check in on neighbours.

**Councillors, Officers, Contractors and Volunteers will respond as is practically possible according to their personal circumstances in an emergency situation*

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