



Agenda Item 16

Approval

To note the update and approve the purchase of an Emergency Response mobile telephone.

Purpose of the Report

To keep FC updated on developments and authorise the purchase of a mobile telephone.

Background Information

In November 2019 Belper suffered severe flooding. 2 families are yet to return to their homes following this flooding. In January 2020 Belper suffered severe flooding again.

Legislation

N/A

Accessibility Implications

N/A

Climate Emergency Implications

This work will not worsen our changing climate.
It is needed as a response to it, not a cause of it.

Financial Implications

Cost of a mobile telephone to be used for the Belper Flood Watch Scheme.

Recommendation(s)

I have attended a meeting with staff members from the Flooding department at the Environment Agency and Derbyshire County Council. They have agreed to fund some equipment for the Belper Flood Watch Scheme.

I have submitted a request to them which needs to be agreed by the Executive.

Once purchased I will be arranging a training event to run through the procedure in event of a Flood.

I am compiling a letter, to be distributed to residents in flood risk areas.

In the interests of sustainability of the scheme and privacy a mobile telephone for use in Floods or other emergency situations will be advantageous.



Reasons for recommendation(s)

The letter advising of our Flood Watch Scheme will include a telephone number for residents.

The hope is that residents will keep this letter for use should they need it. It is unsustainable, nor desirable, for this to be the Lead Flood Wardens private number as the letter will be out of date in the event of there being a change of personnel.

Only 1 telephone is needed, as part of the equipment I have requested are 2-way radios for use by the wardens.