

APPENDIX 2

Corporate Business Continuity Plan

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The purpose of the Corporate Business Continuity Plan is to set the framework through which the Council will respond to a serious or widespread business disruption event. This plan should be used in conjunction with the **Corporate Emergency Management Plan**.

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CORPORATE BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLAN

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PLAN AIM

The aim of the Corporate Business Continuity Plan is to maintain our key critical functions and protect the safety, security and wellbeing of our employees, residents, businesses and visitors.

OBJECTIVES

This plan outlines how the Council will:

- Ensure the continued delivery of key critical functions for residents
- Identify the resources required for recovery
- Protect the safety, security and wellbeing of employees, residents and businesses
- Identify the potential damage or loss that may be caused as a result of a business disruption event

SCOPE

Each service retains responsibility for preparing for Service level business disruption events and documenting these arrangements in their Business Continuity Plan's.

In the event of a large scale or sustained business disruption event affecting several service areas, this plan is a guide to the actions taken during and after a business disruption event and to identify where valuable resources need to be directed in the first few hours and subsequent days.

While every effort will be made to accommodate and support all services there needs to be an order to the recovery. Key critical activities are divided into four Recovery Time Objective (RTO) categories:

- RTO 1: Activity needs to be restored within 24 hours
- RTO 2: Activity needs to be restored within 1 week
- RTO 3: Activity needs to be restored within 2 weeks
- RTO 4: Activity can be suspended for at least 1 month before becoming critical

TRIGGER POINTS

The following are trigger points for activating the Corporate Business Continuity Plan:

- A business disruption event taking place requiring a co-ordinated response from the Council.
- The imminent threat of a business disruption event taking place that may require a co-ordinated response from the Council.
- Any business disruption event that goes beyond the ability of Services to manage the response via Service BCP's.

ACTIVATION OF THE CORPORATE BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLAN

Local BCP's are documents that outline operational steps to manage incidents at a service level without the need to invoke the Corporate BCP. The Corporate BCP will only be activated where widespread disruption is imminent or occurring and requires corporate intervention to aid service continuity

When a service area has exhausted their Service BCP's, Heads of Service or nominated Officers in each service area, as identified in Service BCP's, will contact the Duty Emergency Planning Officer.

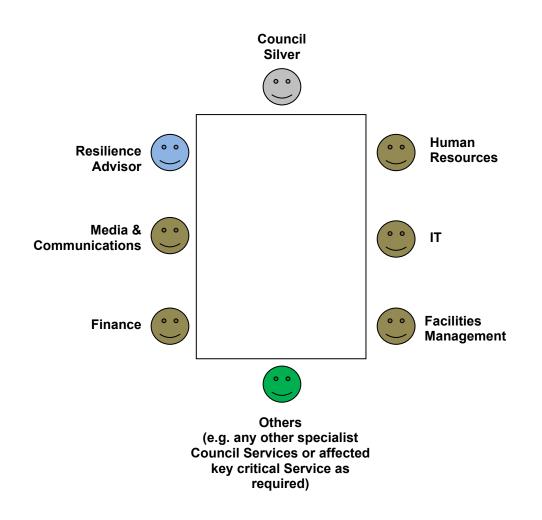
In conjunction with the Duty Emergency Planning Officer, the Corporate BCP will be activated by the on-call Council Silver. The Council Silver is empowered to activate the Corporate BCP in line with adopted Council strategy but will inform Council Gold of the decision. Senior managers will then be notified as appropriate.

MANAGING OUR RESPONSE

Should the Corporate BCP be invoked, consideration will be given by the on-call Council Silver, in conjunction with either the Chief Executive or Deputy Chief Executive, to adopt the Incident Command and Control Management Structure as outlined in the Corporate Emergency Management Plan to manage the incident.

To assist with the tactical response of a business disruption event, the Council Silver may require an Incident Management Team (IMT) to be assembled in the Borough Emergency Control Centre (BECC).

Membership of the IMT will change depending on the type, scale and severity of the business disruption event. Below is a diagram of the suggested IMT attendance:



COMMUNICATIONS

Following the activation of the Corporate BCP, it is essential that communications are cascaded in a structured and timely way. Media & Communications will activate the Crisis Communications Plan to ensure that Senior Managers, staff, members, residents and businesses are kept informed of the situation as appropriate.

SITUATION REPORTING

To ensure that a current overview of the business disruption event is maintained, the BECC will contact key Council services and seek assurances that appropriate actions have been taken and that key critical functions are operational.

The BECC will then compile a Situation Report, which can be found at Appendix D so all relevant issues and actions can be prioritised by Senior Management and the IMT.

APPENDIX A - ACTION CARDS

ACTION CARD – CIVIL PROTECTION SERVICE

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER(S)

Civil Protection Manager Resilience Advisor

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Support the Council Silver throughout a business disruption event
- Provide support to the Council Silver and the Incident Management Team
- Resilience Advisor to provide overview of the situation
- Ensure the BECC is fully operational for the duration of the business disruption event

Response Level	Actions to be taken (or considered)			
Activation	 Inform the Council Silver of the business disruption event Assess the current situation and develop a plan of action for the Council Silver Ensure the BECC is fully operational (Only when the Council Silver has activated the BECC) Activate and co-ordinate resources on behalf of the Council Silver until an Incident Management Team is assembled (if required). 			
Incident Response	 Provide support to the Council Silver and the Incident Management Team 			
Stand Down	Return BECC back to normal working operations			

ACTION CARD – COUNCIL SILVER

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER(S)

Divisional Directors

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Manages the Council's tactical response to a business disruption event; coordinating available resources for the implementation of the strategy set by Council Gold
- Reports to the Council Gold (Chief Executive or nominated Corporate Director) on the tactical situation
- Activate the BECC to co-ordinate the Council's tactical response
- Authorises activation of the Corporate BCP
- Considers the adoption of the Incident Command and Control Management Structure as outlined in the Corporate Emergency Management Plan to manage the incident
- Manage and direct allocation of resources

Response Level	Actions to be taken (or considered)			
Activation	 Liaise with the Council Gold on the current situation Activate the Corporate BCP (If required) Assess the current situation and plan of action developed by the Resilience Advisor Activate the BECC to co-ordinate the Council's tactical response 			
Incident Response	 Reports to the Council Gold on the tactical situation Considers the need for a specific Council Silver with particular skills or responsibilities to take over the position of Council Silver Request the attendance of the appropriate managers to attend the Incident Management Team Prepare timely and regular internal communications on the progress of the incident to Service Managers 			
Stand Down	 As for the Incident Response level Liaise with the Council Gold to officially stand the incident and the BECC down Conduct a hot debrief of the business disruption event Consideration of the need for a Post Incident Report 			

ACTION CARD – COUNCIL GOLD

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER(S)

Chief Executive Corporate Directors

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Provide the strategic response for the Council during a business disruption event
- Manage and provide direct allocation of resources

Response Level	Actions to be taken (or considered)
-	
Activation	 Assess the current situation in liaison with the Council Silver
	Provide the strategic response for the Council
Incident Response	 Consider the need for a meeting of the Corporate Management Team
Stand Down	In conjunction with the Council Silver officially stand the incident and BECC down

ACTION CARD – HR

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER(S)

Director of Workforce Change

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Supply emergency advice and guidance about health, safety and wellbeing issues
- Ensure managers can access staff reports
- Identify staff who can be re-deployed to support key critical functions
- Ensure staff receive advice and guidance from Workplace Options

Response Level	Actions to be taken (or considered)			
Activation	 Establish initial facts of the business disruption event by determining number of staff affected, expected duration of disruption, update on the recovery steps to date and potential impact/risks 			
Incident Response	 Provide assistance with employing temporary and/or external staff from local agencies Provide emergency advice and guidance about wellbeing issues arising out of the business disruption event Produce pre-designed reports to support local managers Provide input to the Incident Management Team 			
Stand Down	 Identification of staff in other areas that might be able to carry out other functions Complete administration on staff return to work or death in service 			

ACTION CARD – ICT

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER(S)

Head of ICT

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Recovery of data centre and IT systems for identified RTO1 key critical functions
- Ensure RTO1 key critical functions have the required IT capability to deliver their key critical functions at pre identified recovery sites
- Maintain capability for remote working

Response Level	Actions to be taken (or considered)		
Activation	 Activate Systems Disaster Recovery Plan Undertake a preliminary assessment of the impact of the incident to assess the extent of damage and disruption to IT services and business operations. 		
Incident Response	 Contact key technical staff Mobilise and activate appropriate support team personnel to facilitate and support the recovery Establish an IT local recovery team Provide the Incident Management Team with the facts to make decisions regarding recovery and keeping staff, external partners and suppliers informed 		
Stand Down	 Restore IT capability Test system operations to ensure full functionality Back up operational data on the continuity invoked environment and upload to the restored system Shut down the continuity Invoked Environment system and terminate continuity operations 		

ACTION CARD – FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER(S)

Asset Manager

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Provide alternate recovery sites and cleanliness
- Restore any damaged Council facilities

Response Level	Actions to be taken (or considered)			
A - 41 41	 Assess damage to premises and estimate timeframe to restore damaged facilities 			
Activation	 Identify and allocate alternative accommodation to RTO1 critical functions 			
	Provide cleaning and sanitation at recovery sites			
Incident	 Provide the Incident Management Team with the facts to make decisions regarding recovery 			
Response	 Arrange security for damaged facility and alternate locations 			
	Mobilise maintenance and repair personnel			
Stand Down	Actions as per the Incident Response level			

ACTION CARD – SERVICE MANAGERS

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER(S)

Service Managers Group Managers Team Managers

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Ensuring that Service BCP's are maintained, exercised and updated
- Activate and stand down the Service level BCP
- Communicate recovery arrangements to staff

Response Level	Actions to be taken (or considered)			
Activation	 Co-ordinate the evacuation of staff and report to the Assembly Point. Assess if business disruption event can be managed within existing Service BC arrangements or requires corporate co-ordination of the business disruption event. 			
Incident Response	 When required, provide service status reports to the BECC Forward details of any fatalities, injuries or anyone in distress during the incident to HR Log details of all items lost by staff, visitors etc as a result of the incident and any ongoing expenditure Maintain service delivery of key critical functions as identified within the Service BIA's Assess the key priorities for the duration of the business disruption event and communicate these to staff Provide a representative to the Incident Management Team (If required) 			
Stand Down	 Actions as per the Incident Response level Communicate to staff the return to business as usual arrangements 			

APPENDIX B - KEY CRITICAL ACTIVITIES

There are 34 RTO1 activities that require recovery within 24 hours.

Service & Location	Activity	Minimum Requirements for Recovery	Recovery Site Locations	Dependencies	Lead Officer
Universal Lifecycle – Barking Learning Centre	Facilitate services of other Community Solutions lifecycles and Council service blocks	 12 x staff required within 24hrs 	 Working From Home Borough Libraries Children's Centre's Park Active Age Centre 	 Other Community Solutions Lifecycles Other LBBD Service Blocks 	Zoinul Abidin
Universal Lifecycle – Barking Learning Centre	Facilitate services of partner agencies	• 12 x staff required within 24hrs	 Working From Home Borough Libraries Children's Centre's Park Active Age Centre 	 BHRUT BARTS NEFLT Playaway Chestnuts Leyf University of East London CU London Barking & Dagenham College Lifeline Project Mind Shaw Trust Woman's Trust Women of Substance 	Zoinul Abidin

Triage Lifecycle – Roycraft House	MASH and Adult Intake urgent and Safeguarding referals	 12 x staff required within 3 hours 	 Working From Home Stour Road John Smith House 	 Police Ambulance Service NHS Education Voluntary Organisations Care Providers 	Kevin Makambe
Triage Lifecycle – Roycraft House	Home Visits to Children and Young People	 12 x staff required within 3 hours 	Mobile WorkingStour RoadJohn Smith House	 Police Children's Social Care Adult's Social Care 	Kevin Makambe
Intervention Lifecycle – Roycraft House	Carrying out urgent case work for Tier 2 families in crisis	 10 x staff required within 3 hours 	 Working From Home Borough Libraries Children's Centre's Park Active Age Centre Stour Road John Smith House 	 Other Community Solutions Lifecycles Adult Social Care Children Social Care Youth Offending Team Job Centre Plus CAB Elevate Independent Living Agency DABD Barking & Dagenham College NHS BHRUT NELFT Educational Institutions and Schools Police 	Kathrine Gilcreest

Intervention Lifecycle – Roycraft House	Prevention of Tier 2 cases escalating to Tier 3	 10 x staff required within 3 hours 	 Working From Home Borough Libraries Children's Centre's Park Active Age Centre Stour Road John Smith House 	 Adult Social Care Children Social Care Youth Offending Team BHRUT NELFT Police Schools 	Kathrine Gilcreest
Civil Protection – Town Hall	BECC Capability	• 1 x staff required within 1 hour	 Laurel House Redbridge Emergency Control Centre Working From Home 	 Facilities Management Education Social Care Housing Parks & Leisure CCTV Facilities Management IT Housing Senior Management Team Local Residents Business Community Borough Resilience Forum Partners LFB Emergency Planning Neighbouring NE London Boroughs 	Mandy Beacher
Civil Protection – Town Hall	Emergency Response	• 2 x staff required within 1 hour	Laurel House	Incident Response Unit	Mandy Beacher

			 Redbridge Emergency Control Centre Home Working 	 Adult Social Care Borough Resilience Forum Partners Neighbourhoods Team Media & Communications Transport Homeless Persons Unit Housing Local Residents Business Community Senior Management Team CCTV Facilities management IT Housing 	
Legal Services – Town Hall	Monitoring Officer	• 10 x staff required within 3 hours	Home Working	Chief ExecutiveMembersAll Council Services	Fiona Taylor
Legal Services – Town Hall	Safeguarding	 10 x staff required within 3 hours 	Home Working	 Chief Executive Members Adult Social Care Children's Care & Support 	Fiona Taylor
Legal Services – Town Hall	Employment & Litigation	• 25 x staff required within 24 hours	Home Working	Chief ExecutiveMembersCorporate Directors	Fiona Taylor

Legal Services – Town Hall	Commercial Law	• 25 x staff required within 24 hours	Home Working	 Chief Executive Members Housing Services 	Fiona Taylor
Policy & Participation – Town Hall	Emergency Communications	• 1 x staff required within 1 hour	Home WorkingBECC	Chief ExecutiveMembersCorporate Directors	Emily Blackshaw
Public Health – Town Hall	Provision of public health advice during an emergency	 1 x staff required within 3 hours 	Home WorkingRoycraft House	 Council staff Local residents Vulnerable persons CCG BHR NHS Trust NELFT Emergency Services (LFB/ LAS/ Police) PHE NHS England Environmental Agency Community Solutions 	Matthew Cole
Public Health – Town Hall	Provision of health intelligence to Director of Public Health	 1 x staff required within 3 hours 	Home WorkingRoycraft House	 Council staff Local residents Vulnerable persons CCG BHR NHS Trust NELFT Emergency Services (LFB/ LAS/ Police) PHE NHS England 	Matthew Cole

HR – Town Hall	Payroll	 4 x staff required within 3 hours 	 Home Working Other Council Locations 	 Environmental Agency Community Solutions Management Council employees LEA schools Elevate B&D Direct and other arms-length companies Trade unions HMRC 	Neil James
HR – Town Hall	Health & Safety	 1 x staff required within 3 hours 	 Home Working Other Council Locations 	 Management Council employees Schools Elevate? B&D Direct and other arms-length companies Trade unions H&SE 	Neil James
HR – Town Hall	HR Advisory Service	• 2 x staff required within 3 hours	Home WorkingOther Council Locations	 Management Council Employees Schools (that buy-in) 	Neil James
HR – Town Hall	Occupational Health	• 3 x staff required within 3 hours	Home WorkingOther Council Locations	 Management Council Employees Schools (that buy-in) 	Neil James
Customer Services – Roycraft House	Contact Centre	 20 x staff required within 3 hours 	Home Working	 Civil Protection Various Council Services 	Sabina Onwuka

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Caretaking	Incident Response Unit	 I x staff required within I hour of an incident 	Mobile working	 Civil Protection Various Council Services Residents 	David Mawson
Caretaking	Caretaking Service	• I0 x staff required within 3 hours of an incident	 Mobile Working Home Working Pondfield House 	Residents and Businesses	David Mawson
Careline	Emergency Response Service	• 4 x staff required with 3 hours of an incident	Redirect service to Tower Hamlets	Residents	Hammad Butt
Careline	Urgent referrals & Assessments	• 4 x staff required with 3 hours of an incident	Redirect service to Tower Hamlets	Residents	Hammad Butt
Regulatory Services	Investigation of Service Requests (inc. Trading Standards, Environmental Health, Private Sector Housing)	• 11 staff required within 24 hours of an incident	Home Working	 Local Residents Businesses Landlords Property Owners Consumers 	Jemima Painter
Regulatory Services	Inspection of premises – doorstep crime	 7 staff required within 3 hours of an incident 	Home Working	 Local Residents Businesses Landlords Property Owners Consumers 	Jemima Painter
Children's Care & Support	MASH referrals	• 22 staff required within 3 hours of an incident	Home Working	Residents and service users	Sean Girty
Children's Care & Support	Home visits	• 22 staff required within 24 hours of an incident	Home Working	Residents and service users	Sean Girty

Adults Care & Support	AHMP Mental Health Assessments	• 20 staff required within 3 hours of an incident	Home WorkingRoycraft HouseBarking Town Hall	Residents and service users	Daniel McMillian
Adults Care & Support	Processing safeguarding enquires	• 75 staff required within 24 hours of an incident	Home WorkingRoycraft HouseBarking Town Hall	Residents and service users	Daniel McMillian
Adults Care & Support	Hospital discharges	• 75 staff required within 24 hours of an incident	Home WorkingRoycraft HouseBarking Town Hall	Residents and service users	Daniel McMillian
Adults Care & Support	Care needs assessments	 75 staff required within 24 hours of an incident 	Home WorkingRoycraft HouseBarking Town Hall	Residents and service users	Daniel McMillian
CCTV	CCTV recording and monitoring	• 2 staff required within 3 hours of an incident	 Home working Frizlands Depot 	 Public Police Care CCTV Facilities Management My place Com Sol Parking 	Jonathan Woodhams
ССТV	Alarm and panic activations	• 2 staff required within 3 hours of an incident	Home workingFrizlands Depot	Corporate buildingsService users	Jonathan Woodhams

APPENDIX C - CRITICAL IT SYSTEMS

Priority	System Name	Services Requiring System
RT01	I-Grasp	• HR
RT01	I-Learn	• HR
RT01	IKEN	Legal Services
RTO1	Citrix/Thick Client	Legal Services
		Customer Services
RT01	BACS	• HR
	Bride	Revenues & Benefits
		Triage Lifecycle
RTO1	Liquid Logic	Children's Social Care
		Adult Social Care
	0.1	Careline
RTO1	Civica	Intervention Lifecycle
RTO1	Answelink	Careline
RTO1	Capita	Intervention Lifecycle
RTO1	Anite	Intervention Lifecycle
RT01	AD Contact	Customer Services
RTO1	CCS	Customer Services
RTO1	8x8	Customer Services
RT01	Academy	Intervention Lifecycle
RTO1	Integrated Youth	Intervention Lifecycle
	Service System	Customer Services
RT01	Express	Electoral Services
Key		
Corporate	Oracle	
System		-
Key Corporate	Outlook	
System	Outiook	
Key		
Corporate	MS Teams	
System		
Key		
Corporate	SharePoint	
System		
Key		
Corporate	Office	
System		-
Key		
Corporate	Explorer/Chrome	
System		

APPENDIX D - SITUATION REPORT TEMPLATE

OFFICIAL – WHEN COMPLETE

BCM Incident Situation Report

Lon	London Borough of Barking & Dagenham – Business Continuity Event Situation Report						
INC	IDENT NAME						
-	REP SERIAL NUMBER quential from activation)		TIME OF ISSUE		DATE OF ISSUE		
1.	Response level	1: Monitoring		2: Information Sh and Communicat		3: Incident Response and Coordination	
		\boxtimes					
2.	OVERVIEW OF CURRENT	BOROUGH SITU	ATION				
	General Situation (statu	s of incident, sun	nmary of ar	rangements includ	ing deployr	ment of resources)	
	Overall Assessment (Summary of impact on Services and Community) Key Points to Note (Relevant issues for senior management and Incident Management Team, including						
3.	HORIZON SCAN (Issues/consequences which could impact on services)						
4.	KEY MESSAGES TO MAN	AGERS					

SER\	ICE IMPACT	T ASSE	SSMENT					
	RED	Incid	Incident having significant impact with possible long term consequences O					
ļ	MBER	Incident having a moderate impact with possible short to long term consequences 0						
(GREEN	Limit	ed or no impac	t			Services reporting: 0	
SER\	/ICE		Manager	RAG	Current situation	Horizon so anticipate	an/ issues d	
5.	Facilities Managem	ent	Andy Bere	•				
6.	Emergence Response (inc. BECC IRU)		Tony Cox					
7.	Contact Centre		Sabina Onwuka					
8.	Executive Assistants		Maggie Coughlan					
9.	Leader & Cabinet		Mike Haywood					
10.	Finance		Katherine Heffernan					
11.	Assurance Fraud	and	Steven Gibson					
12.	Strategy a Programm		Mark Tyson					
13.	Marketing Communic n		Emily Blackshaw					
14.	ІСТ		Paul Ingram					
15.	HR Operat	tions	Gail Clark					
16.	Enforceme	ent	Andy Opie					
17.	ссти		Jonathan Woodhams					

18.	Clean and Green	Abdul Jallow				
19.	Housing Management	Katherine Gilcreest				
20.	Education Commissionin g	Jane Hargreaves				
21.	Adults and Care Commissionin g	Mark Tyson				
22.	Public Health	Matthew Cole				
23.	Children's Care and Support	April Bald				
24.	Adults' Care and Support	Stephan Liebrecht				
25.	Legal Services	Jacklyn Rowbotham				
26.	Governance & Electoral Services	Alan Dawson				
27.	OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION (Details that do not sit elsewhere in the report)					
28.	SitRep complete	d by				
29.	Authorised by					

APPENDIX E - INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM AGENDA

	Incident Management Team Agenda							
1.	Current Situation	Chair/Duty EPO Resilience Advisor						
2.	Considerations	All						
3.	Horizon Scan	All						
4.	Mutual Aid	All						
5.	Set Tactics	Chair						
6.	Internal Communications	Media & Communications						
	 Contact Centre Public Queries Staff Business & Residents Members Media Breifings 							
7.	Any Other Business	All						
8.	Time of Next Meeting	Chair						

APPENDIX F - IT RECOVERY

The IT Disaster Recovery Plan will be invoked in the event of a major incident that impacts on the Council's IT systems or loss of connectivity to a building occupied by services providing RTO1 & RTO2 activities.

It is invoked by the Manager or nominated Deputy Manager when the trigger point has been reached. The authorised officer from the service to invoke the IT Disaster Recovery Plan is:

Raymond Joyce: 07875 993903

The authorised officer or nominated deputy should collate as much information as possible, including:

- Number of staff affected
- Expected duration of disruption
- Identify and quantify damage
- Update on the recovery steps to date
- Potential impact/risks

Once agreed to invoke the plan, this will be cascaded to members of the IT Service Update cascade list.

If a decision to adopt the Incident Command and Control Management Structure as outlined in the Corporate Emergency Management Plan to manage the incident has been decided by the on-call Council Silver, the Head of Service or nominated Deputy Manager will represent IT at the Silver level Incident Management Team meetings.

Localised disruption to IT connectivity at a remote (non Town Hall) site

The relocation of a small number of key people/functions should be considered in the event of localised loss of IT connectivity (network, internet) at a building ere RTO 1 and RTO2 activities are undertaken.

Invocation of nominated Service recovery working should only be agreed after other aspects of the Service BCP have been exhausted such as non-IT related work.

The expected duration of the disruption should be considered when invoking this plan as the set-up of the alternative accommodation and the subsequent return to

normal service will require significant effort and should not be undertaken if normal service is expected to be resumed within 3 hours of the proposed invocation.

Town Hall or Widespread Disruption to IT Systems

In the event of Town Hall or widespread disruption to IT systems, the following immediate steps will be undertaken:

- Alert IT employees, IT users, suppliers, other internal stakeholders and external organisations of the extent of the incident or emergency.
- Establish an IT local recovery team.
- Liaise with Facilities Management and undertake a preliminary assessment of the impact of the incident to assess the extent of damage and disruption to IT services and business operations.
- Provide the Incident Management Team with the facts to make decisions regarding recovery.
- Inform Corporate Communications to keep staff, external partners and suppliers informed.

It is the responsibility of the IT Service Manager or nominated deputy to contact key technical staff within their team.

The IT Service Manager should ensure they have up-to-date contact details for each team member and that these details are accessible at all times.

Recovery Phase

Critical systems that must be recovered urgently following an incident are outlined in Appendix C as identified via Service Business Impact Analysis

In the event of a building loss, PCs and printers will be commandeered from any building with undamaged accessible equipment. The devices will have their hard drive overwritten to match users from RTO1 and RTO2 activities requirements during the disruption to business.

Return to Normal

The following will occur:

- Ensure adequate infrastructure support, such as electric power, water, telecommunications, security, environmental controls, office equipment, and supplies.
- Installation of system hardware, software, and firmware.

- Establish connectivity and interfaces with network components and external systems.
- Test system operations to ensure full functionality.
- Back up operational data on the continuity invoked environment and upload to the restored system.
- Shut down the continuity Invoked Environment system and terminate continuity operations.
- Ensure all sensitive materials at the continuity Invoked Environment site are removed.
- Arrange for recovery personnel to return to the original facility

APPENDIX G - HR CORPORATE PLAN

Service BCP's will include staffing contingencies for all but the most serious incidents or business disruption events. The HR Corporate Business Continuity Plan will be invoked in the event of a major incident impacting on availability of Council staff.

It is invoked by the Manager or nominated Deputy when the trigger point has been reached. The authorised officer from the service to invoke the HR Corporate Plan is:

Gail Clark: 07870 509690

The authorised officer or nominated deputy should collate as much information as possible, including:

- Number of staff affected
- Expected duration of disruption
- Update on the recovery steps to date
- Potential impact/risks

Business disruption events which might affect large groups of staff and potentially put service delivery at risk include large scale flu pandemics, illegal/unscheduled industrial action, significant unscheduled borough wide transport issues for example caused by terrorist activity etc.

In all other circumstances loss of staff is a local issue which must be planned for in advance at either a team or Directorate level. All other business disruption events should be planned for in advance and addressed at a local level.

Potential local solutions for business continuity issues which result in a loss of staff might include:

- Identification of staff in other areas that might be able to carry out those elements of the role which are business critical and must continue in the event of a staffing loss
- Development and maintenance of written processes and other guidance for business critical aspects of a role, which are stored in recoverable areas and regularly refreshed.
- Accurate and shared record keeping for key partners and other contacts that may be required in the event of a local issue.

- Pre-arranged collaborative agreements with neighbouring authorities or key partners to take on those aspects of a role which are considered to be business critical in the event of a loss of staff
- Accurate local maintenance of records of staff with key skills, qualifications and experience are available in the event of a loss of staff.
- Seeking advice and guidance in advance from Workplace Options on 0800 243 458 to support staff with additional needs if a local business continuity plan is activated.

In the event of a major incident affecting staffing, HR will, depending on the availability of the IT network:

- 1. Prioritise the availability of HR systems so that managers can run or refresh locally designed reports (developed in advance of the incident by service managers) to support the deployment of staff within their service area
- 2. Support local managers to produce pre-designed Oracle reports containing pertinent management information as defined by Services as part of their Business Continuity arrangements. These might include (but are not limited to):
 - a) Training and development undertaken, qualifications, memberships
 - b) Specialist attributes such as DBS checks
 - c) Staff who have claimed mileage to identify those who are able to drive
 - d) Contact information, grades, job roles and geographical locations of staff
 - e) Resource availability (e.g. working patterns, training, leave, absence)
- 3. Supply emergency advice and guidance about health, safety and wellbeing issues arising out of the Business Continuity issue which have not been pre-empted as part of local planning. This might include health and safety in temporary premises, accident and incident reporting, occupational health support and counselling services

In general, issues of this nature should be considered in advance in order to inform local Business Continuity planning.

Where a service requires specific staffing information to support them (such as a qualification or DBS clearance) it remains the responsibility of local managers to ensure that this information is captured in advance of any incident.

All Service BCP's contain a method by which all staff can be contacted and accounted for in the event of an incident without having access to either Oracle or Outlook system.

In exceptional circumstances where the event is so extreme and Service Business Continuity planning has not pre-empted the need for local staff mobilisation or cannot invoke pre-arranged collaboration (for example with local partners or other Local Authorities employing staff with similar skill sets) HR will support Heads of Service to identify potential staff from the wider organisation who could be deployed at short notice to undertake emergency duties.

This will be dependent on the quality of information contained within Oracle and within other Service BCP's.

If there are no internal staff to deploy, HR will provide assistance with employing temporary and/or external staff from local agencies. Service managers must ensure that job descriptions, person specification and the specific details of skills required to maintain business as usual activity are maintained and up-to-date so that they might instruct HR quickly and accurately.

Once business as usual has resumed, HR can provide corporate advice for additional staff welfare and counselling, and what could be expected of employees at different periods of time after an incident or business disruptive event.

In addition, it is recommended that there is an evaluation regarding how the Plan was deployed, its effectiveness, and updated as appropriate based on the lessons learnt.

APPENDIX H - FM PLAN

The FM Corporate Plan will be invoked in the event of a major incident where a service is disrupted due to the partial loss, total loss or inaccessibility of staff accommodation/normal work premises.

It will be invoked when a service requires to be re-accommodated and where alternative arrangements cannot be made at local level. It is invoked by the Manager or nominated Deputy, when the trigger point has been reached. The authorised officer from the service to invoke the FM Plan is:

Andy Bere: 07971 111401

Immediate Accommodation Recovery Steps

The Council has little spare accommodation capacity at any one time. Alternative accommodation will be made available based on the Recovery Time Objectives of the affected service(s) which may require the suspension of some non-critical functions so that accommodation may be re-allocated. The Council will consider:

- An assessment of the property lost
- An assessment of the property still available
- An allocation of available accommodation to services depending on their RTO rating
- RTO1 services will occupy available accommodation with RTO2, RTO3 and RTO4 services suspended and displaced for a period of time

Recovery

To assist with the recovery, the Service Manager or nominated Deputy will:

- Estimate the duration of the incident
- Assess damage to premises
- Estimate the timeframe to restore the damaged facilities
- Carry out an accommodation assessment in conjunction with senior managers
- Identify alternative premises/secondary locations
- Make available additional cleaning arrangements at recovery sites
- Support the Incident Management Team if activated
- Authorise premises management expenditure

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- Authorise procurement of additional resources/alternative accommodation as agreed by senior management.
- Arrange security for damaged facility
- Mobilise maintenance / repair personnel
- Procure any required repairs
- Mitigate property losses as far as practicable

Based on the information received, the Incident Management Team will allocate available accommodation resources. Temporary accommodation may be provided within the meeting rooms or function rooms to provide office accommodation in order to minimise disruption to other service areas.

Where larger numbers of staff require emergency accommodation or the incident is likely to be ongoing, non-critical services, typically RTO3 and RTO4 services may be suspended with accommodation occupied by RTO1 and RTO2 critical services.

Reinstating 'business as usual'

Facilities Management will work towards reinstating business as usual by implementing the following actions, as appropriate:

- Using emergency procedures to fast track the engagement of contractors to restore damaged facilities as soon as is practical.
- Engage with local partners including neighbouring councils, government agencies, NHS, and the third sector partners to share accommodation in the short to medium term.
- Following a protracted or total loss of premises, Estate and Asset Management will liaise with the local market to lease or purchase alternative accommodation of an appropriate specification and convenient location.
- Consider using available office space on a 24/7 basis
- It is recommended that there is an evaluation regarding how the Plan was deployed, its effectiveness, and updated as appropriate based on the lessons learnt.