## Shadow Dorset Council

Date of Meeting	11 February 2019
Lead Member	Cllr Barry Quinn
Officer	Marc Eyre, Risk, Emergency Planning and Resilience Manager, Dorset County Council
	Nigel Osborne, Emergency Management Officer, Dorset County Council
Subject of Report	Emergency Planning Work Package – Emergency Response Plan
Executive Summary	The structural change order sets out the requirement for Dorset Council to be able to fulfil its emergency planning duties as a Category One responder under the Civil Contingencies Act from Day One. A work package with active input from all sovereign councils is developing the emergency response plan and accompanying arrangements. The implementation plan remains on target.
	The Emergency Response Plan has been drafted in advance of Day One, and has been out for consultation with officers that deliver the emergency planning function at the sovereign councils, as well as the Chief Executive (Designate) together with existing Gold and Silver officers. The draft document has been well received. It has also been presented to both the Corporate Theme Board and Programme Board. The attached draft plan incorporates the output from consultation and is therefore being presented to the Shadow Executive for approval, subject to some largely cosmetic changes where information is not yet available (highlighted in yellow in the plan).
	The Emergency Response Plan is supported by a Command and Control structure approved through the Corporate Theme Board. Gold (Strategic) roles will be undertaken by Executive and Corporate Directors. Silver (Tactical) roles will be undertaken by Heads of Service. The structure will be supported by a 24/7 Duty Emergency Planning Officer, who acts as the first point of call and co-ordinator for incidents, and a pool of duty Local Authority Liaison Officers to attend the scene.
	For avoidance of doubt, the work package is also engaged in updating the other statutory plans required within the order:
	<ul> <li>Off-site emergency plans under the Control of Major Accident Hazards Regulations 1999;</li> <li>Off-site emergency plan under the Radiation Emergency Plans 2001;</li> <li>The Pipelines Safety Regulations 1996</li> </ul>

	These are purely cosmetic changes to replace references to existing councils with Dorset Council. It is therefore not envisaged that this work would need ratification through the Programme and Shadow Executive.
Impact Assessment:	Equalities Impact Assessment: The emergency planning service is currently subject to an equality impact assessment.
	Use of Evidence: Existing sovereign council plans.
	Budget:
	No significant budget implications.
	Risk Assessment:
	Having considered the risks associated with this decision using the LGR approved risk management methodology, the level of risk has been identified as:
	Current Risk: MEDIUM Residual Risk LOW
	Other Implications: None
Recommendation	That the Shadow Executive Board:
	Approves the draft Emergency Response Plan
Reason for Recommendation	To ensure the new council can respond to an emergency incident from Day One, to fulfil its obligations under the Civil Contingencies Act.
Appendices	Appendix A – Draft Emergency Response Plan [Exempt from Publication]
Background Papers	None
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Date agreed by Lead Member	
Date agreed by Statutory Officers	Matt Prosser – Jason Vaughan - Jonathan Mair –