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UK Resilience Forum third meeting: 2 February 2023

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Meeting held in-person and by video conference - Thursday 02 February 2023

Representatives from the following organisations were in attendance:

- Cabinet Office
- Citizens Advice
- Electronic Communications Resilience and Response Group
- Environment Agency
- Government Office for Science
- Maritime and Coastguard Agency
- Ministry of Defence
- National Emergencies Trust
- National Fire Chief's Council
- National Police Chief's Council
- Network Rail
- NHS England
- Northern Ireland Executive
- Voluntary and Community Sector Emergencies Partnership
- Water Industry Platinum Group
- Welsh Government

Invited organisations unable to attend:

- Confederation of Business Industry
- Energy Networks Association
- Equalities and Human Rights Commission
- Scottish Government
- Society of Local Authority Chief Executives

The Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, The Rt. Hon. Oliver Dowden CBE MP and the Minister for Cabinet Office, the Rt. Hon. Jeremy Quin MP (Co-Chairs) welcomed attendees to the third meeting of the UK Resilience Forum (UKRF), highlighting it as a valuable asset to the government for sharing and informing ideas and approaches to improve the nation's resilience.

The Cabinet Office Briefing Rooms (COBR) Unit presented a Risk Forward Look, highlighting significant risks over the next six months. These risks included severe weather and flooding; lasting impacts from COVID-19 and seasonal illnesses on the healthcare system; increased prevalence of outbreaks of animal disease such as avian influenza; protest action; and disruption related to widespread industrial action across public services.

Forum members were invited to share their views on the risks facing the UK. In discussion the following points were made: