

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Wales Resilience Forum

Aim of Group:

To promote good communication and the enhancement of resilience across agencies and services in Wales by providing a forum for Chief Officers to discuss with Welsh Ministers strategic issues of emergency preparedness.

Chair: First Minister for Wales

Deputy Chair: Minister for Local Government and Government Business

Secretariat: Head of Resilience, Welsh Government

Administrative Support: Resilience Team, Welsh Government

Communication: The proceedings of the Forum will be shared with and considered by Local Resilience Forums.

Location of meetings: National Assembly for Wales, Cardiff Bay

Frequency of meetings: 6-monthly

Specific Terms of Reference for the group:-

- To create a forum for strategic guidance on resilience issues affecting Wales
- To consider UK Government/Welsh Government policy guidance and to advise on the implementation in Wales where appropriate
- To facilitate mutual aid arrangements and joined up working
- To provide direction and strategic leadership to the Wales Resilience Partnership Team and its sub-groups
- To map resilience at the pan-Wales level, identify gaps and facilitate preparedness activity.
- To raise, consider and discuss issues of resilience in Wales with the UK Government.
- To support cross-boundary working and information sharing.

Membership:

- First Minister for Wales
- Minister for Local Government and Government Business
- Chief Executive, Welsh Local Government Association
- Society of Local Authority Chief Executives and Senior Managers (SOLACE)
- Chief Fire Officer (representing the three Fire Brigades)
- Chief Constable (representing the four Police Forces and the four LRF Chairs)
- Chief Executive, Wales Ambulance Services Trust
- Director-General, Local Government and Communities, Welsh Government
- Chief Medical Officer, Welsh Government
- Public Health Wales
- Chief Scientific Adviser, Welsh Government
- Chief Veterinary Officer, Welsh Government
- Commander 160 (Wales) Brigade
- Naval Regional Commander (Wales and Western England)
- Air Officer Wales
- Director, Natural Resources Wales
- Civil Contingencies Co-ordinator, Maritime and Coastguard Agency
- Cabinet Office, Civil Contingencies Secretariat
- Regional Manager, HSE
- Director of Communications, Welsh Government
- Resilience Co-ordinator, Welsh Government