

## NI DEPARTMENTS NON-HEALTH SECTORAL RESILIENCE RETURNS – DRAFT

ECONOMY

ECONOMY KEY AREAS OF CONCERN	ISSUES	RISKS	POTENTIAL IMPACTS	POTENTIAL MITIGATIONS	COMMENTS	RAG Rating as at 06/03/2020
Economy/ Business	Closure of businesses (SMEs and micro- businesses)	Loss of jobs Loss of labour	Increased unemployment Closure of businesses Loss of developing sectors e.g.: film and screen industry			Amber
Energy : Electricity/Gas/ Oil	Lack of supply to business, homes and essential services	Increase in costs Lack of supply  Health & Safety	Vulnerable people not having essential services  Disruption to essential services  Increase in costs	Generators can be run continuously requiring much less staff. Already remote working of some staff. Mutual aid between companies. Ability to carry on working at different sites. Restricting staff travel. Redesigned work patterns. Training of additional staff		Green
Telecoms	Supply chains  Staff shortages reduce resilience of telecoms networks and	Lack of hardware to maintain network infrastructure	Limited potential for reduced service levels if infrastructure cannot be maintained due to lack of hardware or telecoms manpower.	National Emergency Plan for Telecoms in place and recently reviewed	Situation being closely monitored by UK Electronic Communications Resilience and Response Group.	Green

**COMMUNITIES**

COMMUNITIES KEY AREAS OF CONCERN	ISSUES	RISKS	POTENTIAL IMPACTS	POTENTIAL MITIGATIONS	COMMENTS	RAG Rating as at 06/03/2020
Welfare (& financial ) Services to public	Reduction in staff to process payments	Direct and immediate impact of financial welfare support to people in NI	Vulnerable citizen disproportionately impacted  Lack of funds  Lack of appropriate housing  No money to eat or keep warm  Reduction of money (cash) going into NI economy	A Working Group has been established within the Department with representation from all Groups and key business areas. This includes the priority areas identified within the Business Continuity Plan.  This Working Group has been tasked with assessing the likely threats and impact of COVID-19 on delivery of services and with making recommendations on how to mitigate against these threats. The Working Group provided an initial, draft Action Plan to the Weekly Stocktake commencing on Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> March.		
Advice Sector	Absenteeism	Lack of advisors re welfare benefits and other services	Disproportionate impact upon most vulnerable people in society	Business Continuity Plan updated. Staff will be moved from non-urgent work to cover the priority areas of the business.		