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Exclusion Notes

1	The main text in Section 3 of the Community Risk Register only covers non-malicious events (ie hazards) rather than threats (ie terrorist incidents). This does not mean that the West London Local Resilience Forum is not covering threats within its risk assessment work, but given the sensitivity of the information supporting these risk assessments and the potential use by adversaries, specific details will not be made available in the public version of this register. Threat scenarios that are being considered are included in Annex 1 to Section 3 and include, for example: conventional attacks using explosives, chemical/biological/radiological attacks and electronic attacks (eg affecting utilities and communications).
2	Consequently, the content of Annex 1 to Section 3 of the Community Risk Register is subject to a RESTRICTED classification in accordance with the Government's protective marking system and is withheld from general publication under Regulation 51 of The Civil Contingencies Act 2004 (Contingency Planning) Regulations 2005.
3	Controlled copies issued to Category 1 Responders within the West London Local Resilience Forum area (see Section 1) receive a complete copy of the West London Community Risk Register (including Annex 1 to Section 3) which is subject to the RESTRICTED classification.

1 West London Local Resilience Forum Membership

	Agency
	Category 1 Responders
1	Local Authorities – London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham (representing LB Brent, LB Ealing, LB Harrow, LB Hillingdon, LB Hounslow)
2	Metropolitan Police Service
3	British transport Police
4	London Fire Brigade
5	London Ambulance Service
6	HM Coastguard
7	NHS (Strategic Health Authority representing Primary Care Trusts, Acute and Foundation Trusts)
8	Health Protection Agency
9	Environment Agency
10	Brent Borough Forum
11	Ealing Borough Forum
12	Hammersmith & Fulham Borough Forum
13	Harrow Borough Forum
14	Hillingdon Borough Forum
15	Hounslow Borough Forum
	Category 2 Responders
16	Utility Companies
17	Transport Companies
18	Health & Safety Executive
	Existing Non-Category 1 or 2 West London Local Resilience Forum Representatives
19	London Resilience Team
20	British Army
21	Royal Air Force
22	Voluntary Sector
	Secretariat
23	London Fire & Emergency Planning Authority

2 Introduction and Background

The Civil Contingencies Act 2004 ('The Act') places a legal duty on Category 1 responders to produce a Community Risk Register. Section 2, sub-section 1 of the Act requires Category 1 responders '*... from time to time assess the risk of an emergency occurring ...*' and '*... from time to time assess the risk of an emergency making it necessary or expedient for the person or body to perform any of its functions*'. This should be linked to individual Category 1 responders' processes of adding to (or modifying) their own individual plans.

For the purposes of Part 1 of the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 (c.36), 'emergency' is defined by s.1(1) of the Act and means:

- a) an event or situation which threatens serious damage to human welfare in a place in the United Kingdom;
- b) an event or situation which threatens serious damage to the environment of a place in the United Kingdom, or
- c) war, or terrorism, which threatens serious damage to the security of the United Kingdom.

It must also meet either of the following criteria:

- the threat or hazard is of a sufficient scale and nature that it is likely to seriously obstruct a Category 1 responder in the performance of its functions; and/or
- the threat or hazard requires the Category 1 responder to exercise its functions and undertake a special mobilisation (s.2(2) of the Civil Contingencies Act 2004).

In the event of an emergency, the Act requires Category 1 responders to activate an emergency plan. Before the activation of such a plan is necessary, two tests should be carried out:

- a) where the emergency would be likely to seriously obstruct its ability to perform its functions; and
- b) where the Category 1 responder considers it necessary or desirable to act to prevent, reduce, control, or mitigate the emergency's effects, or otherwise take action and would be unable to act without changing the deployment of its resources or acquiring additional resources.

This clearly implies that only serious emergencies need form part of the risk assessment process. The risk assessment process required need not cover large pre-planned events, as a risk assessment should form part of the planning stage.

The Civil Contingencies Act 2004 (Contingency Planning) Regulations 2005 give the legal requirements in relation to risk assessment in Part 3. These regulations place a responsibility on Category 1 responders to co-operate with each other in maintaining a Community Risk Register (CRR). Detailed guidance on the risk assessment process can be found within Chapter 4 (and its annexes) of the *Emergency Preparedness* guidance document which has been published by HM Government.

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This guidance states that the risk assessment process is the first step in the emergency planning process in order to identify the risks applicable to their area and then plan according to the priorities identified. The process is divided into six stages; these are:

1. Contextualisation

- Define the scope of the project (relate to definition of 'emergency' in the Act – see Section 4) and the process to be followed.
- Identify stakeholders.
- Set out risk evaluation criteria and principles.
- Review or describe social, economic, cultural, infrastructural and environmental issues within local context.

2. Hazard review and allocation for assessment

Identification of those non-malicious hazards that present significant risks (ie could give rise to an emergency) in their areas over the next five years. These hazards will be identified on the basis of experience, research or other information. It should then be identified which agency will be the lead assessor to conduct the risk assessment.

- Taking into account centrally provided guidance and drawing on information provided by Category 2 responders, Category 1 responders provisionally identify and describe hazards which might give rise to an emergency in the next five years and those which will not.
- Category 1 responders provisionally agree allocation of lead assessors.
- Local Resilience Forum (LRF) endorses hazards to be assessed and determines lead assessor responsibility.
- Risk Assessment Working Group (RAWG) convenes and reviews hazards identified at LRF for confirmation or possible CRR amendment.
- RAWG confirms appropriateness of lead allocation and identifies any other agencies with key roles.
- RAWG agrees a project plan with deadlines for assessing individual or groups of hazards.

3. Risk analysis

- Lead assessor considers the likelihood of hazards' occurrence over five-year period, drawing on generic assessments from central government, other research and knowledge of Category 1 responders.
- Lead assessor suggests the range of potential impacts arising from the hazards as well as any vulnerabilities surrounding these, and discusses with RAWG.
- Lead assessor captures assessment details for each hazard and related reasoning within the individual risk assessment form. This generates a provisional risk statement with likelihood, impact(s) and an overall risk assessment for evaluation by RAWG.

4. Risk evaluation

- RAWG considers the individual risk assessment forms, compares the results to the risk criteria, and confirms or modifies these assessments as appropriate.
- Agreed assessments are collated and incorporated into CRR.
- Risk matrix is plotted for hazards.

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- RAWG incorporates into CRR threat statements provided by central government within the local risk assessment guidance (LRAG), but does not assess likelihood or impact.
- RAWG highlights existing capabilities and mitigation plans for the hazards and threats and:
 - considers the acceptability of risks;
 - identifies and recommends options for risk treatment for the LRF; and
 - makes recommendations to the LRF on risk priorities for hazards and threats.
- LRF reviews the CRR and risk matrix in light of the evaluation criteria, and amends as appropriate.
- LRF determines the acceptability of the risks before considering treatment.

5. Risk treatment

- Review the capability challenges posed by the risks against existing capabilities, mitigation plans or known gaps.
- Set risk priorities.
- Evaluate proposed options for additional treatment of risks and agree risk treatment plan.
- Identify officer or organisation to be responsible for implementation of actions.
- Actions communicated to appropriate working groups.

6. Monitoring and Review

Formal review of risks on a rolling three year cycle but reviewed and updated as and when appropriate including in response to annual publications of the Local Risk Assessment Guidance

West London Local Resilience Forum

The West London Local Resilience Forum (LRF) includes representatives of all Category 1 and Category 2 responders¹ within the West London area (see Appendix 1). It also includes representatives from agencies that are not included in the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 but are considered essential local planning partners (eg the military and the voluntary sector).

In relation to Section 3 of this CRR, the inclusion of the hazard or the particular scenario (ie the outcome description) does not mean that the LRF believes the risk will materialise, or that if it were to do so that it would be at that scale. The risk scenarios are rather reasonable worse case assumptions upon which our risk assessments are based.

The likelihood assessments relate to the risk occurring over a five-year period at the magnitude reflected within the outcome description. The magnitude is based on an assessment of a reasonable worse case scenario.

As part of the risk assessment process, the West London LRF has been considering the likelihood and impact of a range of hazards occurring. This work – a statutory duty under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 – is an ongoing process and examples are provided for all of the hazards to illustrate the individual assessment work that has been completed so far. Further details are available from LFB - Emergency Planning Department – see first page for contact details.

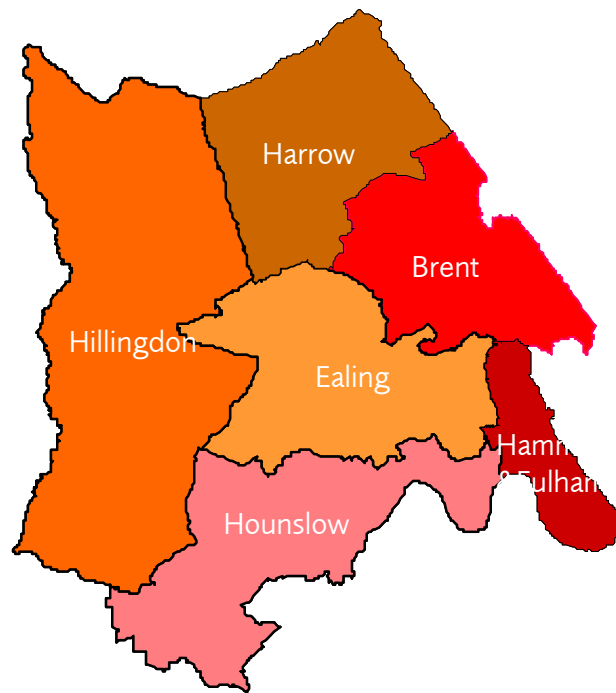
¹ As defined by Schedule 1 of the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 (c.36).

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Risk assessment is not a static process and is subject to constant review. The information contained in this CRR will, as a result, be regularly updated.

3 Contextualisation Statement

The North West London Local Resilience Area (hereinafter referred to as NW London) comprises the London Boroughs of Brent, Ealing, Hammersmith and Fulham, Harrow, Hillingdon and Hounslow. The constituent boroughs are leading the way in London on sub-regional co-operative work via the West London Alliance.



Overview

NW London comprises 33,733 ha bounded by the River Thames to the south, counties of Buckinghamshire and Hertfordshire to the West and North, Edgware Road (A5) to the East. It has a total population approaching 1.5 million. The area comprises the majority of the former County of Middlesex and has now been almost entirely urbanised or sub-urbanised. In scale it is of a similar size to Birmingham. Developments south and east of the North Circular Road are predominantly Victorian or Edwardian. Development to the North and West are predominantly 1930s. There is a smaller but significant proportion of 1960s high-rise development much of which is in the process of redevelopment. There remains a swathe of agricultural land in the west of Hillingdon and some fringe woodland on the margins of Harrow. Much green space has been retained by town planners and is now protected.

The urbanisation comprises principally residential property and local infrastructure and business services to the London, local, national and international economies. Included in this is the Park Royal Industrial Estate, the largest estate in Britain and third largest in Europe.

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NW London contains two facilities of global significance: Heathrow Airport, the largest passenger airport in the world and Wembley National Stadium the largest all-covered football stadium in the world. In addition, when completed in late 2008 the White City Shopping Centre will be a regional facility and larger than edge of town shopping centres like Bluewater. The Permanent Joint Headquarters of NATO at Northwood is less than half a mile from the boundary between Hillingdon and Three Rivers Council.

Transport

In addition to Heathrow Airport, RAF Northolt is perhaps the most frequently used and well know destination for Members of the Government, Heads of State and other VIPs. There are airfields used by small aircraft at Elstree, Herts. and Denham, Bucks. just outside the NW London area.

Road and rail traffic from London to the West, Wales, West Midlands, North West and West of Scotland has historically normally passed through NW London, though the M1 skirts the region less than a mile to the East. The M4 and A40(M) pass through as does the West Coast mainline railway. The A406 North Circular Road bisects the sub-region and links the aforementioned key routes and many of the industrial areas. Given the sub-region's density of population and its "gateway to London" position all transport networks tend to be heavily used at peak times. It is acknowledged that orbital transports movements in the sub-region are more difficult and poorly served by major public transport infrastructure. In addition, predictions for traffic congestion to 2016 indicate that congestion will increase by 4% in five of the six boroughs. It is also noteworthy that 72% of car trips both start and finish in West London.

Social Factors

West London's population is growing and will have increased by nearly 140,000 people in the period 2001 to 2016. The population's age structure is younger than London's generally with a greater proportion in the under 25 group.

The community in West London is very diverse with 35% of the population from BME communities and with 25% born outside the UK. There is also a substantial refugee and asylum seeker community. Over 140 languages are spoken in West London's schools.

Our populations travel internationally more than average and our imported disease rates are higher than average.

Industry and Environment

As a region NW London is densely populated and contains large areas of industry and other smaller industrialised areas that are situated closely adjacent to densely populated residential areas. In recent years heavier industry has been on the decline in the area being replaced by service industries, lighter manufacturing and warehousing and distribution.

Hazardous substances are in use in a significant proportion of these businesses but rarely in quantities that necessitate special enforcement or permissioning regimes or off-site plans.

The area has four top-tier COMAH sites (see attached LFEPA 9Year COMAH etc Plan Map)

- Esso West London Terminal (LB Hounslow)

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- Hawker Pacific Aerospace Ltd (LB Hillingdon)
- Heathrow Hydrant Operating Co (LB Hillingdon)
- National Grid Fulham Holder Station (LB Hammersmith & Fulham)

Water quality levels are typical of dense urban or suburban areas.

There are significant areas of poor air quality, principally associated with Heathrow Airport but also with the main arterial car routes. There is an Air Quality Action Plan for West London.

Bounded by the Thames the main watercourses in the region are the River Brent which is dammed to create the Brent Reservoir (Welsh Harp) and its tributaries which meet the Thames at Brentford. The area has a large number of reservoirs/lakes mostly man-made and linked with the River Colne which marks most of the Western boundary of Hillingdon Borough.

The Grand Union Canal crosses the area from Scrubs Lane (LBH&F) in the East to Little Britain (LB Hillingdon) in the west where it intercepts the River Colne taking in all of the boroughs in its course except Harrow.

Weather and Flooding

NW London enjoys similar weather conditions to the rest of London region (i.e. a slight urban warming/sheltered factor compared with the South East) with no known local variations. The impact of severe weather tends to make itself felt on the transport network where due to density of use local peaks or other difficulties (of snow, for example) can lead to “gridlock” on the roads given the high density factors noted in the Transport section.

There is a history of occasional local flooding incidents usually associated with infrastructure problems (burst mains in underpasses, flood water or drainage “mismanagement”) rather than “natural” flooding incidents given the proportion of water courses that run in man-made channels.

Human Disease

Special NW London factors to take into account with regard to human disease are mainly around Heathrow’s role as “Gateway to Britain” for most people from far-flung locations historically associated with pandemics.

As an industrialised area NW London has a relatively high concentration of cooling towers and evaporative condensers which are associated with clusters of Legionnaires’ disease.

Animal Health/Plant Disease

NW London has a very low number of animals in agriculture. Numbers of animals kept as pets are probably typical of urban and suburban areas. Similarly the impact of plant disease in the area would be mainly environmental with little in the way of agricultural produce.

Public Protest, Industrial Action, Community Cohesion, International Events

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As an industrialised area the potential for industrial action is relatively high and although centres of employment tend to be dispersed the recent Gate Gourmet dispute illustrated the potential for major disruption arising from industrial action in the vicinity of, or connected with the economy of Heathrow Airport.

The history of public protest in the NW London area has tended to be relatively small-scale with larger protests almost invariably taking place in Central London.

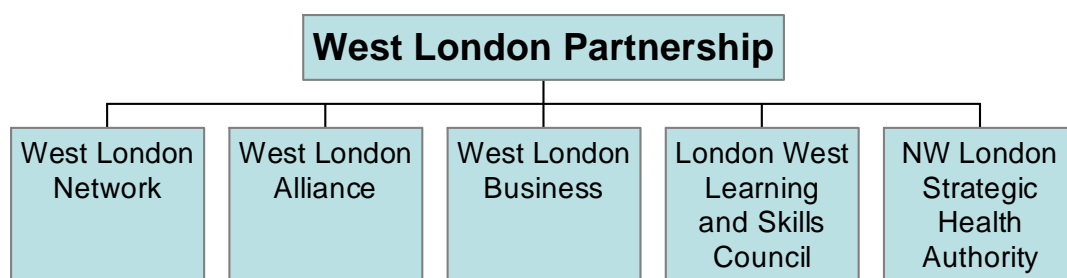
The challenge of maintaining community cohesion in NW London is a continuing priority particularly when the aftermath of terrorist attacks focuses attention on particular ethnic or religious groups who are often present and visible in the area. For example, largest Hindu Temple, high concentration of Faith Schools, Southall – “home” of the Asian community, Kilburn “home” of the Irish community etc.

Proximity to Heathrow is one reason why NW London has in recent years become an initial or longer term home to persons displaced by various international conflicts e.g. Somalia.

The WLA and its partners in the WLP ran for 15 months ending in 2004 a Home Office funded community cohesion programme aimed at bringing West London’s ethnic communities “closer together”. Although the direct investment by the Home Office has finished the WLA continues to support a West London Community Cohesion partnership. Its latest initiative is the” West London People” Induction booklet.

Partnership Arrangements

There are strong, well-established partnership arrangements in West London. The overarching strategic partnership in the sub-region is the West London Partnership. Its members are as follows –



The West London Partnership is a ‘virtual’ organisation which meets about four times a year and which brings together:

West London Alliance (WLA) which is the strategic alliance of the 6 West London borough councils, directed by regular meetings of Leaders and Chief Executives and with a small secretariat and over 20 officer working groups which deal with issues ranging from housing to transport, from community cohesion to performance management and from e-government (including disaster recovery) to planning. The WLA’s aims are:

- To lobby for the interests of the sub-region

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- To develop collaborative strategies and initiatives on key issues such as transport and economic development
- To improve provision of public services in West London through sharing knowledge, expertise and resources, undertaking joint ventures, and securing additional resources

West London Business (WLB), which is the sub-regional chamber of commerce with many of West London's major businesses in membership and many SMEs (represents businesses employing about 1 in 8 of the West London workforce). WLB is a company limited by guarantee with a board of directors from large and small businesses.

As well as providing services to its members, WLB also has an inward investment support contract with LDA and some projects funded by the Objective 2 programme. In addition, the boroughs pay a subscription to WLB for inward investment services.

West London Network (WLN) brings together the six borough CVS chairs and twelve other steering group members to form a management group. It has contact with over 3000 voluntary and community organisations in West London. The WLN is funded by ALG grant and will receive a grant this year under the Home Office Change-up programme.

London West Learning and Skills Council LWLSC delivers the government's skills agenda and funds post 16 provision, including 6th Forms and Colleges and delivers support for work-based learning.

The North West London Strategic Health Authority Currently has role for strategic planning and performance management within the health sector and a strategic responsibility for public health and health improvement.

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4 Community Risk Register

(Note: **Outcome description codes:** ‘H’ – hazard which will require a national as well as a local response (nationally defined); ‘HL’ – hazards which would not ordinarily prompt a national response and would usually be dealt with locally (nationally defined); ‘L’ – hazards which have been added to national outcome descriptions as a result of local considerations (locally defined). All outcome description codes are followed by a sequential numerical suffix (either nationally defined for ‘H’ and ‘HL’ codes or locally defined for ‘L’ codes.)

Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION							
HL25	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution.	Fire or explosion at a flammable gas including LPG/LNG storage sites.	<p>Outcome Description Up to 1km around site, causing up to 50 fatalities and 150 casualties.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information. Event at a storage site could last for days if the explosion damaged control equipment. Impact on environment, including persistent/widespread impact on air quality.</p>	Low (1)	Moderate (3)	Medium	LFB
H2	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Fire or explosion at an onshore ethylene gas pipeline.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
HL26	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution.	Localised fire or explosion at an onshore ethylene gas pipeline.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
H3	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Fire and explosion at an oil refinery.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
HL27	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution.	Localised fire or explosion at an oil refinery.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
H4	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Fire or explosion at a fuel distribution site or a site storing flammable and/or toxic liquids in atmospheric pressure storage tanks.	<p>Outcome Description Up to 3km around site causing up to 150 fatalities and 2000 casualties.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information A large industrial complex or fuel storage site near to a populated (i.e. Urban) area. Impact on environment, including persistent/widespread impact on air quality. Plant of this nature is presumed to be more or less evenly distributed across the country.</p>	Low (1)	Catastrophic (5)	Medium	LFB
HL28	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Localised fire or explosion at a fuel distribution site or tank storage of flammable or toxic liquids	<p>Outcome Description Up to 1km around the site, causing up to 15 fatalities and 200 casualties.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Impact on environment, including persistent/widespread impact on air quality.</p>	Low (1)	Moderate (3)	Medium	LFB

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
H5	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Fire or explosion at an onshore fuel pipeline.	<p>Outcome Description Up to 1km around site causing up to 100 fatalities and 500 casualties.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information A release point close to a populated (i.e. urban) area. Impact on environment, including persistent/widespread impact on air quality.</p> <p>Plant of this nature is assumed to be more or less evenly distributed across the country, although there may be clustering in some coastal and industrial areas.</p>	Low (1)	Moderate (3)	Medium	LFB
H6	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Fire or explosion at an offshore oil/gas platform.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
H7	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Explosion at a high pressure natural gas pipeline.	<p>Outcome Description Local to site causing up to 200 fatalities and up to 200 casualties.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Risk is based on the release point close to a populated (i.e. urban) area. Impact on environment, including persistent/widespread impact on air quality.</p> <p>Plant of this nature is assumed to be more or less evenly distributed across the country, although there may be 'clustering' in some coastal and industrial areas.</p>	Low (1)	Moderate (3)	Medium	LFB

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
HL30	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Localised explosion at a natural gas pipeline	<p>Outcome Description Causing up to 100 fatalities and hospitalising up to 100 people.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Risk is based on the release point close to a populated (i.e. urban) area. Impact on environment, including persistent/widespread impact on air quality.</p> <p>Plant of this nature is assumed to be more or less evenly distributed across the country, although there may be 'clustering' in some coastal and industrial areas.</p>	Low (1)	Moderate (3)	High	LFB
H103	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Fire or explosion at a gas LPG or LNG terminal (or associated onshore feedstock pipeline)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
HL104	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
H8	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Very large toxic chemical release	<p>Outcome Description Up to 10km from site causing up to 2000 fatalities and 10000 casualties. Toxic release could be due to loss of containment of chlorine – or of a number of other chemicals, e.g. anhydrous hydrofluoric acid, refrigerated ammonia, sulphur di-oxide (or tri-oxide) gas.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Chlorine release. Risk is based on a large</p>	Low (1)	Catastrophic (5)	Medium	LFB

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
			industrial complex or bulk storage of chemicals near to a populated (i.e. urban) area.				
H9	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Large toxic chemical release	<p>Outcome Description Up to 3km from site of toxic chemical release causing up to 50 fatalities and up to 2000 casualties</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Chlorine release. Large industrial complex or bulk storage of chemicals near to a populated (i.e. urban) area. There are some sites of this nature within the M25, and there is 'clustering' of such sites in other parts of the country.</p>	Low (1)	Catastrophic (5)	Medium	LFB
HL2	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Localised industrial accident involving large toxic release (e.g. from a site storing large quantities of chlorine).	<p>Outcome Description Up to 3km from site causing up to 30 fatalities and up to 250 casualties.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Plant of this nature is assumed to be more or less evenly distributed across the country, although there may be 'clustering' in some coastal and industrial areas. Impact on environment, including persistent/widespread impact on air quality.</p>	Medium Low (2)	Significant (4)	High	LFB
HL3	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Localised Industrial accident involving toxic release.	<p>Outcome Description Up to 1km from site causing up to 10 fatalities and up to 100 casualties.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Plant of this nature is assumed to be more or less evenly distributed across the country, although there may be 'clustering' in some coastal and industrial areas.</p>	Medium Low (2)	Moderate (3)	High	N/A

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
H10	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Radioactive substance release from a nuclear reactor accident.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
HL31	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Limited radioactive substance release from a nuclear reactor accident.	<p>Outcome Description Up to 1km from site causing up to 50 fatalities and 500 casualties</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Clearly, with more plants of this nature in the region or local area, the higher the likelihood.</p>	Low (1)	Significant (4)	Medium	HPA
H11	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Accidental release of radioactive material from incorrectly handled or disposed of sources.	<p>Outcome Description Up to five fatalities and up to 100 contaminated people requiring medical monitoring. Many worried people may present at hospitals. Radiation may be spread over several kilometres but most concentration where source is opened.</p> <p>Variation & Further Information Assume radioactive material is a medical source from radiotherapy machine. Other possible scenarios would be loss of mobile sources in road building, in transit and in fires.</p>	Low (1)	Significant (4)	Medium	Environment Agency

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H12	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Biological substance release from control measure failure (e.g. dangerous pathogen release from containment laboratory).	<p>Outcome Description H12 – Up to 10 fatalities and serious injuries or off-site impact causing up to 1,000 casualties.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Assume release in an urban area. Biological agent (mainly HG3 & 4 human & animal pathogens) release from containment (e.g. infection of laboratory worker or animal) – example SARS release from lab in China resulted in 2 deaths & several hundred people quarantined.</p>	Medium Low (2)	Moderate (3)	High	Health
H46	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Biological substance release during an unrelated work activity or industrial process (e.g. Legionella release due to improperly maintained building environmental control systems)	<p>Outcome Description Up to 10 fatalities and serious injuries or off site impact requiring up to 1000 hospital admissions.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Specifically related to Legionella release from an industrial process – example of Barrow 2002 (7 fatalities, 500 hospitalisations); Inadvertent Legionella contaminant of cooling tower, hot & cold water system, evaporative condenser.</p>	High (5)	Moderate (3)	High	N/A

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H14	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Major contamination incident with widespread implications for the food chain.	<p>Outcome Description Food production/ marketing implications depending on scale and area affected e.g. major shellfisheries, dairy, livestock production areas. Potential direct animal and consumer health effects. Consumer confidence affected leading to lost markets or panic buying.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information An incident similar to that which occurred in Belgium in which animal feed is contaminated with Dioxins, resulting in contamination of animals and animal products.</p>	Medium High (4)	Minor (2)	Medium	Local Authorities
H15	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Maritime pollution.	<p>Outcome Description Release of 100,000 tonnes of crude oil into the sea, polluting up to 200km of coastline</p> <p>Variation and Further Information A large fully laden oil super tanker sinks in the approach to a UK port, e.g. the Thames estuary, fully laden and with strong north-easterly winds and with the tide flowing up the Thames estuary. Assume no loss of access to the LNG terminal on the Isle of Grain.</p>	Low (1)	Minor (2)	Low	Environment Agency
HL4	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Major pollution of controlled waters	<p>Outcome Description Pollution incident impacting upon controlled waters (for example, could be caused by chemical spillage or release of untreated sewage) leading to persistent and/or extensive effect on water quality, major damage to aquatic ecosystems, closure of potable abstraction point(s), major impact on amenity (i.e. tourism) value, serious impact on human health.</p>	Medium (3)	Moderate (3)	High	Environment Agency

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
HL7	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Industrial explosions and major fires	<p>Outcome Description Up to 1km around site, causing up to 10 serious injuries and up to 10 casualties. Explosions would cause primarily crush / cuts and bruise-type injuries, as well as burns.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Plant of this nature is assumed to be more or less evenly distributed across the country. Clearly, with more plants of this nature in the region or local area, the higher the likelihood (i.e. closer to 2).</p>	Medium Low (2)	Minor (2)	Medium	LFB
HL33	Industrial Accident & Environmental Pollution	Forest or moorland fire	<p>Outcome Description Forest or moorland fire across up to 50 hectares. Evacuation of up to 100 residential homes required. Up to five fatalities and 20 casualties.</p>	Low (1)	Minor (2)	Low	LFB

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TRANSPORT ACCIDENTS							
H42	Transport accidents	Rapid accidental sinking of a passenger or cargo vessel in, or close to UK waters - need for complete evacuation / abandonment	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Maritime and Coastguard Agency
HL34	Transport Accidents	Fire, flooding, stranding or collision involving a passenger vessel in or close to UK waters leading to the ship's evacuation or partial evacuation at sea	<p>Outcome Description Fire, flooding, stranding or collision involving a passenger vessel in or close to UK waters leading to the ship's evacuation or partial evacuation at sea.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Up to 250 fatalities and 500 casualties.</p>	Low (1)	Moderate (3)	Medium	Maritime and Coastguard Agency
HL8	Transport accidents	Rapid accidental sinking of a passenger vessel in, or close to UK waters or on inland waterways	<p>Outcome Description Up to 50 fatalities and up to 300 casualties</p> <p>Variation and Further Information The risk is based on an accident to a smaller passenger vessel on the UK coast or inland waterways.</p>	Low (1)	Moderate (3)	Medium	Maritime and Coastguard Agency
HL37	Transport Accidents	Release of significant quantities of hazardous chemicals/materials as a result of major shipping accident	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	MCA/DfT

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H16	Transport accidents	Aviation accident over major conurbation.	<p>Outcome Description Loss of up to two aircraft and passengers, with debris over a semi-urban area. Up to 600 fatalities and up to 300 casualties.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Collision of two commercial airliners - death of all passengers and crew on aircraft (600 fatalities), 300 casualties on the ground. No significant damage to key infrastructure.</p>	Low (1)	Significant (4)	Medium	LFB
HL9	Transport accidents	Aviation accident	<p>Outcome Description Aviation accident causing up to 50 fatalities and up to 250 casualties.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Accident involving one commercial aircraft, probably on take off or landing.</p>	Medium Low (2)	Moderate (3)	High	LFB
HL10	Transport accidents	Local accident on motorways and major trunk roads	<p>Outcome Description Multiple vehicle incident causing up to 10 fatalities and up to 20 casualties (internal injuries, fractures, possible burns); closure of lanes or carriageways causing major disruption and delays.</p>	Medium High (4)	Limited (1)	Low	Metropolitan Police Service
HL11	Transport accidents	Railway Accident	<p>Outcome Description Up to 30 fatalities and up to 100 casualties (fractures, internal injuries – burns less likely). Possible loss of freight. Major disruption to rail line including possible closure of rail tunnel.</p>	Medium High (4)	Moderate (3)	High	British Transport Police

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
HL12	Transport accidents	Local accident involving transport of hazardous chemicals	<p>Outcome Description Up to 50 fatalities and up to 500 casualties (direct injuries from the accident would be similar to road or rail accidents; indirect casualties are possible, if substance covers wide area). The extent of the impact would depend on substance involved, quantity, nature and location of accident. The assumption is based on phosgene / chlorine.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Hazardous chemical traffic is not thought to vary significantly at local levels, so likelihood will be similar throughout. However, a high density of hazardous chemical infrastructure in area may affect likelihood scores.</p>	Low (1)	Significant (4)	Medium	LFB
HL13	Transport accidents	Maritime accident or deliberate blockage resulting in blockage of access to key port, estuary, maritime route for more than one month.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
HL13a	Transport accidents	Deliberate blockade resulting in blockage of access to key port, estuary, maritime route for more than one month	<p>Outcome Description Fatalities/ injuries minor. Loss of port is likely to have an initial wider impact, but will quickly reduce as shippers seek alternative ports or methods of shipping. Economic impact on local dependent businesses. Scored as Heathrow.</p>	Low (1)	Moderate (3)	Medium	Under Review

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HL14	Transport accidents	Local accident involving transport of fuel/explosives	<p>Outcome Description Up to 30 fatalities and up to 20 casualties within vicinity of accident/explosion. Area would require evacuating up to 1 km radius depending on substances involved. Potential release of up to 30 tonnes of liquid fuel into local environment, watercourses etc. Large quantities of fire fighting media (foam) would impact on environment. Roads and access routes impassable for a time. Emergency access into/out of large populated areas difficult or impossible.</p>	Medium Low (2)	Moderate (3)	High	LFB

SEVERE WEATHER

H17	Severe Weather	Storms & Gales	<p>Outcome Description Storm force winds affecting most of the country for at least 6 hours. Most inland, lowland areas experience mean speeds in excess of 55 mph with gusts in excess of 85 mph. Consequent damage to infrastructure (e.g. telecommunications, power, transport).</p> <p>Variation and Further Information England and Wales are at the lower end of the likelihood range.</p>	Medium (3)	Moderate (3)	High	Local Authorities
H18	Severe Weather	Low temperatures and heavy snow	<p>Outcome Description Snow lying over most of the country for at least one month. Most inland areas experience some snow falls in excess of 30cm, some drifts in excess of 1m, and a period of at least 7 consecutive days with daily mean temperatures below -3 degrees centigrade</p>	Medium (3)	Moderate (3)	High	Local Authorities

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
			Variation and Further Information London, South West and Northern Ireland are at the lower end of the likelihood range.				
H48	Severe Weather	Heatwave.	Outcome Description Daily maximum temperatures above 32°C and minimum temperatures above 15°C over most of the area for at least five consecutive days.	Medium High (4)	Minor (2)	Medium	Health
H19	Severe Weather	Flooding: major coastal / tidal.	Outcome Description Major sea surge, spring tides, gale force winds, heavy rainfall, many defences overtopped or failing. Combined tidal and fluvial event. Many coastal regions affected and tidal reaches of river. Flooding of 10,000+ properties for seven days. Potential loss of life. Suddenness of failure of defences would not be possible to predict, tidal inundation would be rapid and wave impact would cause structural damage to properties. Significant economic disruption and damage. Variation and Further Information Assumes: Storm tide forecasting service shows risk of over-topping (up to 8hrs lead time). Rescue can only be by boat, helicopter or high-clearance vehicles. Emergency services affected if located in the flood zone. Evacuation warnings given to emergency services. Multiple failure of flood defence systems. Damage or failure (at several sites) of telecommunications, power stations, road and rail links.	Medium Low (2)	Catastrophic (5)	High	Environment Agency

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
			There are hospitals, schools, shops and industrial/ commercial premises in the flooded area (& possibly rest centres). 'Properties' includes occupied mobile homes and caravans sites in low-lying coastal zones (summer tourists).				
H21	Severe Weather	Flooding: major fluvial.	<p>Outcome Description A sustained period of heavy rainfall extending over two weeks, perhaps combined with snow melt, resulting in steadily rising river levels over most of the country affecting all regions. Flooding of 10,000+ properties for seven to 21 days. Potential loss of life. There would be a major impact on minor roads and some A roads and trunk roads impassable for a time. Some main rail lines would be closed (where bridges are deemed unsafe for example). Many minor rail lines and stations would be closed. Most waterways would be closed to traffic because of strong currents and high water levels.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Assumes: 2 days of severe flood warnings issued. There are hospitals, schools, shops and industrial/ commercial premises in the flooded area (& possibly rest centres). Damage or failure (at several sites) of telecommunications, power stations, road and rail links. Rescue can only be by boat, helicopter or high-clearance vehicles. Emergency services affected if located in the flood zone. Evacuation warnings given to emergency</p>	Medium (3)	Catastrophic (5)	Very High	Environment Agency

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
			services (up to 12hrs lead time). Multiple failure of flood defence systems (overtopping). Hazard is not evenly distributed across the UK.				
HL16	Severe Weather	Major local coastal / tidal flooding.	<p>Outcome Description Sea surge, spring tides, gale force winds, heavy rainfall affecting more than one region, some defences overtopped or failing at multiple locations. Flooding of more than 1,000 and less than 10,000 properties. Multi-agency response invoked, possible large scale evacuation required. Suddenness of failure of defences would not be possible to predict, tidal inundation would be rapid and wave impact would cause structural damage to properties. Impact on infrastructure includes disruption to traffic for one-three days, impact on access to agricultural land and impact on infrastructure, e.g. sewage treatment works flooded.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information The flooding event would have a regional impact, translating into loss of lives, severe economic damage and need between 6 and 18 months recovery before business as usual conditions are restored. Significant mutual aid would be deployed from inland counties. Assumes: See H19 (Many of the assumptions are the same for a major regional flood as they would be for a major national flood. Consequence management will not be achievable with in a regional response capability.</p>	Medium Low (2)	Catastrophic (5)	High	Environment Agency

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
HL17	Severe Weather	Localised coastal / tidal flooding.	<p>Outcome Description Sea surge, high tides, gale force winds affecting the coastline and one region, some defences overtopped or failing at a single location. Localised impact with infrastructure affected and up to 1,000 properties flooded. Flood warning service would operate effectively. Multi-agency response invoked with some local evacuation and cordoning off of affected areas. Impact on infrastructure includes disruption to traffic for one-three days, impact on access to agricultural land and impact to infrastructure e.g. sewage treatment works flooded.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information The flooding event would have a local impact, translating into some loss of lives, some economic damage and need between up to 12 months recovery before business as usual conditions are restored. Mutual aid will be needed within a Region. Assumes: See H19 (Many of the assumptions are the same for a significant local flood as they would be for a major national flood.) However, the impact may be specific to one area rather than several sites. Consequence management will be achievable within a regional level response capability.</p>	Medium Low (2)	Moderate (3)	High	Environment Agency
HL18	Severe Weather	Flooding: Major Local Fluvial (Rivers and Streams)	<p>Outcome Description A sustained period of heavy rainfall extending over two weeks, perhaps combined with snow melt, resulting in steadily rising river levels over a region. Localised flooding of more than 1,000 and less than 10,000 properties. There would</p>	Medium (3)	Significant (4)	Very High	Environment Agency

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
			<p>be a major impact on minor roads and some A roads and trunk roads impassable for a time. Some main rail lines would be closed (where bridges are deemed unsafe for example). Some minor rail lines and stations would be closed. Most waterways would be closed to traffic because of strong currents and high water levels. Many of the assumptions are the same for a major regional fluvial flood as they would be for a major national incident. Consequence management will not be achievable with in a regional response capability.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information</p> <p>The flooding event would have a regional impact, possibly translating into loss of lives, localised economic damage and need between 6 and 18 months recovery before business as usual conditions are restored.</p> <p>The depth and velocity of water flows will vary.</p> <p>Significant mutual aid would be deployed from neighbouring regions, although other regions are also likely to be at risk or impacted at the same time. See H21 (Many of the assumptions are the same for a major regional fluvial flood as they would be for a major national incident. Consequence management will not be achievable with in a regional response capability.</p>				

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
HL19	Severe Weather	Significant Local Fluvial Flooding (Rivers and Streams)	<p>Outcome Description A sustained period of heavy rainfall extending over two weeks, perhaps combined with snow melt, resulting in steadily rising river levels over a region. Localised flooding of more than 100 and less than 1,000 properties. There would be some impact on minor roads and some A roads and trunk roads impassable for a time. Some main rail lines would be closed (where bridges are deemed unsafe for example). Some minor rail lines and stations would be closed. Most waterways would be closed to traffic because of strong currents and high water levels.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information The flooding event would have a sub-regional impact, and is a real threat to lives. Localised economic damage and need between 6 and 18 months recovery before business as usual conditions are restored. The depth and velocity of water flows will vary. Significant mutual aid would be deployed from neighbouring counties but the response effort could be contained within a region. See H21 (Many of the assumptions are the same for a significant local fluvial flood as they would be for a major regional flood. However, the impact may be specific to one area rather than several sites. Consequence management will be achievable within a regional level response capability.) The depth and velocity of water flows will vary. Significant mutual aid would be deployed from neighbouring counties but the response effort could be contained within a region.</p>	Medium High (4)	Moderate (3)	High	Environment Agency

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
			Assumes: See H21 (Many of the assumptions are the same for a significant local fluvial flood as they would be for a major regional flood.) However, the impact may be specific to one area rather than several sites. Consequence management will be achievable within a regional level response capability.) See H21 (Many of the assumptions are the same for a significant local fluvial flood as they would be for a major regional flood.) However, the impact may be specific to one area rather than several sites. Consequence management will be achievable within a regional level response capability.)				
HL20	Severe Weather.	Localised fluvial flooding (flash flooding).	<p>Outcome Description Heavy localised rainfall in steep valley catchments leading to flash flooding. Likely that no flood defences in place. Possibility no flood warning service available / suddenness of events means timely flood warnings not possible. Flooding of up to 200 properties.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Assumes: Very little time to evacuate (as little as 15 minutes). Flooding lasts less than 24 hours. Emergency services not pre-warned Extent of downstream effect could reach 30-50km. Significant local infrastructure damage - gas, electricity supplies, telecommunications, road and rail links.</p>	Medium High (4)	Moderate (3)	High	Environment Agency

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
H50	Severe Weather.	Drought	<p>Outcome Description Periodic water supply interruptions affecting 385 000 businesses in London for up to 10 months. Emergency Drought Orders in place authorising rota cuts in supply according to needs of priority users as directed by Secretary of State. The 2.24 million households in London would not be subjected to supply interruptions.</p>	Medium Low (2)	Significant (4)	High	Environment Agency
STRUCTURAL							
HL21	Structural	Land movements (tremors, landslides and also including subsidence (e.g. mines collapse).	<p>Outcome Description Roads and access routes impassable for a time. Emergency access into/out of large populated areas difficult or impossible; severe congestion over wide geographical area. Loss of power and other essential services over wide geographical area. Potential for a number of persons to be trapped or missing either in landslides itself and/or in collapsed structures. Up to 5 fatalities depending on the size and location of land movement.</p> <p>Variation and further information Such incidents are rare within the UK with some areas being more prone to landslides than others. Geography and climatic conditions will determine likelihood.</p>	Low (1)	Moderate (3)	Medium	LFB

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
HL22	Structural Hazards.	Building Collapse.	<p>Outcome Description Collapse of low rise building, or part thereof. Potential for a number of persons to be trapped or missing. Localised loss of power and other essential services. Local access routes affected due to road closures. Up to 10 fatalities and 20 casualties depending on the size and construction of building, and occupation rates.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information A number of such incidents annually within the UK. Some areas will be more at risk than others due to age of local building stock.</p>	Medium High (4)	Minor (2)	Medium	Local Authorities
HL22a	Structural Hazards.	Large Building Collapse	<p>Outcome Description Collapse of a large building (high-rise block, shopping mall etc). Up to 100 fatalities depending on the size and construction of building, and occupation rates, and 350 casualties. Potential for a number of persons to be trapped or missing. Localised loss of power and other essential services. Local access routes affected due to road closures.</p>	Medium Low (2)	Moderate (3)	High	Local Authorities
HL23	Structural Hazards.	Bridge Collapse.	<p>Outcome Description Roads, access routes and transport infrastructure for considerable length of time. Severe congestion over wide geographical area. Emergency access into/out of large populated areas severely restricted. Potential for a number of persons to be trapped or missing.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information It is considered that such incidents are rare within the UK.</p>	Low (1)	Moderate (3)	Medium	Local Authorities

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
H44	Structural Hazards.	Major reservoir dam failure/collapse.	<p>Outcome Description Collapse without warning resulting in almost instantaneous flooding. Significant movement of debris (including vehicles) and sediment. Complete destruction of some residential and commercial properties and serious damage of up to 500 properties. Several thousand other properties could be flooded. Serious damage to or destruction of strategic infrastructure and disruption to major communication routes.</p> <p>Multiple fatalities. Up to 1000 casualties. Up to 50 missing persons and people stranded. Hazardous recovery amongst collapsed infrastructure and debris. Water supply to homes and business is lost. Up to 200 people need temporary accommodation for 2-18 months.</p>	Low (1)	Catastrophic (5)	Medium	Local Authorities
HL105	Structural	Complex Built Environments	<p>Outcome Description A consequence of a major incident affecting large buildings / complex built environments. Incidents in these facilities have the potential to trigger a complex chain of events that lead to serious consequences for public.</p>	Medium Low (2)	Moderate (3)	High	Local Authorities

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HUMAN HEALTH							
H22	Human Health	Influenza Type Disease (Epidemic)	<p>Outcome Description A serious epidemic of much greater severity than the usual seasonal flu. Weekly GP consultations for new episodes of flu-like illness likely to exceed 400 per 100,000 of population at the peak (compared with a peak of around 200 per 100,000 population per week in an average year).</p>	Medium High (4)	Minor (2)	Medium	Health
H23	Human Health	Influenza Type Disease (Pandemic)	<p>Outcome Description Each pandemic is different and the nature of the virus and its impacts cannot be known in advance. Previous pandemic have led to markedly different outcomes. Based on understanding of previous pandemics, a pandemic is likely to occur in one or more waves, possibly weeks or months apart. Each wave may last around 15 weeks. Up to half the population could be affected. High number of cases and consultations with healthcare providers threatening to overwhelm health and other services. All ages may be affected, but until the virus emerges we cannot know which groups will be most at risk.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Clinical attack rate of 25 to 50% spread over one or more waves with case fatality of up to 2.5%. This means, at the upper end of assumptions, up to some 700,000 excess deaths in the UK across the whole period of the pandemic and over 10,000 healthcare contacts per 100,000 population per week at peak. Peak in weeks 6 to 8, with 22% of total cases</p>	Medium High (4)	Catastrophic (5)	Very High	Health

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			occurring at this time.				
H24	Human Health	SARS type disease.	<p>Outcome Description Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) in an acute, severe respiratory illness caused by SARS coronavirus (SARS-CoV).</p> <p>Variation and Further Information The risk is based on the 2003/4 SARS outbreak. Local variation will be limited - higher in areas with major international transport hubs.</p>	Medium High (4)	Significant (4)	Very High	Health
HL24a	Human Health	Legionnaires Disease	<p>Outcome Description A point source outbreak of Legionnaires' disease, a serious form of atypical pneumonia caused by poorly maintained water systems.</p>	Medium High (4)	Limited (1)	Low	Health
HL24b	Human Health	Meningococcal Disease	<p>Outcome Description Cluster of cases of meningococcal disease caused by Neisseria Meningitidis.</p>	High (5)	Limited (1)	Low	Health
HL102	Human Health	Oak Processionary Moth (OPM)	<p>Outcome Description Infestation of Oak Processionary Moth (OPM) caterpillars to plague proportions causing severe defoliation of trees and epidemic numbers of people requiring medical treatment.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information The caterpillar form of the OPM can cause irritation and allergic reaction if people touch the caterpillars or if the hairs are blown by wind into people's eyes, ears, nose, throat or skin. The irritation can require medical attention especially in people with conditions such as asthma, including hospitalisation in extreme cases.</p>	High (5)	Minor (2)	Medium	Local Authorities

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
			The hairs can also affect animals including cats, dogs and horses. Previous outbreaks (Europe) have required small areas of countryside or villages to be quarantined.				
ANIMAL HEALTH							
H25	Animal Health	Non-zoonotic Notifiable animal diseases (e.g. foot and mouth disease (FMD), classical swine fever, blue tongue and Newcastle disease of birds).	<p>Outcome Description Slaughter of up to 2 million affected and exposed livestock plus the possibility of a significant number of animals culled for welfare reasons.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Assessments based on credible worst case scenario outbreak of foot & mouth disease starting in upland, extensively farmed area taking into changes to policy and current livestock movement data.</p>	Medium Low (2)	Minor (2)	Medium	Local Authorities
H26	Animal Health	Zoonotic Notifiable animal diseases (e.g. Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI), rabies and West Nile virus).	<p>Outcome Description Culling of up to 30 million poultry (HPAI) plus the possibility of wildlife being affected (Rabies)). For West Nile Virus spread by viable vectors in the UK the slaughter of 20-1000 horses is a possibility.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Assessments consider credible worst case scenario outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza in the poultry industry, based on an analysis of the epidemiology of the current outbreak around the world.</p>	Medium Low (2)	Minor (2)	Medium	Local Authorities

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INDUSTRIAL ACTION							
HL42	Industrial Action	Emergency services and other workers providing a service critical to the preservation of life (eg doctors and nurses): loss of cover due to industrial action.	<p>Outcome Description A number of three day strikes with significant support over a two month period affecting a single emergency service.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Likelihood and impact will vary between, and geographically within, emergency services.</p>	Medium High (4)	Moderate (3)	High	
H30	Industrial Action	Emergency services: loss of emergency fire and rescue cover because of industrial action.	<p>A series of strikes by fire fighters takes place, spread over a period of two months, perhaps lasting up to 24 hours each.</p> <p>Variation and further information: Chief Fire Officers would all deploy the emergency cover they could make available in line with an optimum response to their locally assessed risk profiles. London, and possibly other metropolitan areas, would have only thin cover. A number of fire and rescue authorities (FRAs) would be self sufficient in the provision of emergency cover.</p>	High (5)	Moderate (3)	High	
H31	Industrial Action	Significant or perceived significant constraint on the supply of fuel e.g. industrial action by contract drivers for fuel.	<p>Outcome Description Filling stations, depending on their locations, would start to run dry between 24 - 48 hours. Panic buying would exacerbate the situation. Replenishment of sites would take between 3 - 10 days depending on location.</p>	Medium High (4)	Minor (2)	Medium	Metropolitan Police

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H33	Industrial Action	Prison Officer Strike	Outcome Description Prison Officer strike action, for up to 48 hours in 80% of prisons	Not assessed			
H35	Industrial action	Industrial action by key rail or London Underground workers.	Outcome Description Strike action resulting in the total shut down of either London Underground or the rail network on a national scale (e.g. action by key rail workers, e.g. infrastructure workers such as signallers) for > 3 days. Greater impact if action occurs in a co-ordinated manner.	Low (1)	Minor (2)	Low	British Transport Police
INTERNATIONAL EVENTS							
H37	International Events	Repatriation of British Nationals occurring as a result of an international security, pandemic health or other situation.	Outcome Description Up to 10,000 British nationals deciding to return to UK to a single region within a 4-6 week period following a serious regional conflict, a sustained terrorist campaign against UK and other Western nationals, or an uncontrolled outbreak of pandemic flu. Variation and Further Information Majority of the incoming nationals have no UK base and have no means to provide for themselves. May require medical or other services.	High (5)	Minor (2)	Medium	

Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
INDUSTRIAL TECHNICAL FAILURE							
H38	Industrial Technical Failure	Technical failure of upstream (offshore) oil / gas network leading to a disruption in upstream oil and gas production.	<p>Outcome Description Catastrophic accident destroying all or parts of an offshore facility and taking 6 months to restore normal levels of service. A fire or explosion on board a significant offshore installation could result in a 5 - 30 per cent loss of gas supply to UK which, at the top end, would impact on power generation. As 40 per cent of power is generated by gas fired stations then a reduction in generation might be felt. Downstream oil would not be so adversely affected given alternative means of supply.</p>	Medium Low (2)	Significant (4)	High	LFB
H39	Industrial Technical Failure	Failure of water infrastructure or accidental contamination with a non-toxic contaminant.	<p>Outcome Description Loss of or non-availability for drinking, of the piped water supply, for up to 50,000 people, for more than 24 hours and up to 3 days.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Domestic, industrial, commercial and agricultural premises without piped water. Lack of water for fire fighting. Water Companies required to provide at least 10 litres per person per day until supply restored. However, could lead to suspension of services at hospitals, schools, and businesses etc which do not maintain their own on-site water storage.</p>	Medium (3)	Moderate (3)	High	LFB

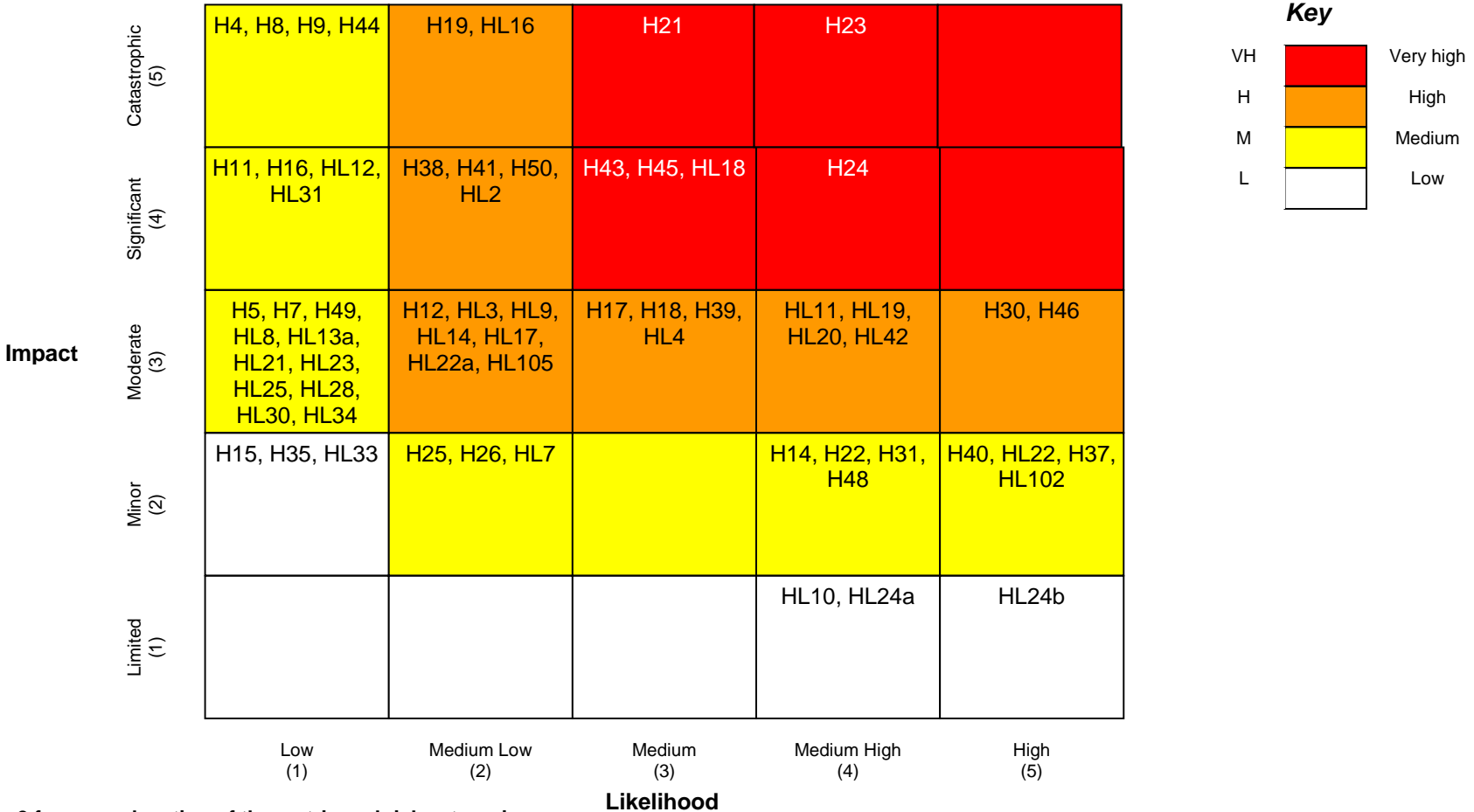
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H49	Industrial Technical Failure	Loss of drinking water supplies due a major incident affecting infrastructure	<p>Outcome Description</p> <p>Loss of or non-availability for drinking, of the piped water supply, for a population of up to 200,000 for more than 24 hours and up to one week.</p> <p>Variation information</p> <p>Domestic, industrial, commercial and agricultural premises without piped water. Lack of water for fire fighting. Water Companies required to provide at least 10 litres per person per day until supply restored; requires a multi-agency response due to prolonged nature of outage and logistics. Could lead to suspension of services at hospitals, schools, and businesses etc which do not maintain their own on-site water storage. Food industries within the impacted zone may close.</p>	Low (1)	Moderate (3)	Medium	Environment Agency
H40	Industrial Technical Failure	No notice loss of significant telecommunications infrastructure in a localised fire, flood or gas incident	<p>Outcome Description</p> <p>Loss of service to up to 100,000 people for up to 72 hours</p> <p>Variation and Further Information</p> <p>Building damage to a large urban telecoms facility.</p>	High (5)	Minor (2)	Medium	Metropolitan Police Service

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Risk ref.	Hazard category	Hazard sub-category	Outcome Description/ Variation and Further Information	Likelihood	Impact	Risk rating	Lead responsibility
H41	Industrial Technical Failure	Technical failure of electricity network	<p>Outcome Description Following a total shutdown of the UK electricity supply system, continuous supplies of electricity should become available to all customers during the period 48 hours - 72 hours, prior to which supplies will be restored in stages but subject to intermittency.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Assume that no serious damage has been sustained by the electricity supply system.</p>	Medium Low (2)	Significant (4)	High	LFB
H43	Industrial Technical Failure	Telecommunication infrastructure - human error.	<p>Outcome Description Widespread loss of telecommunications (including public land line and mobile networks) at a regional level for up to 5 days.</p> <p>Variation and Further Information Assume emergency services' communication systems are also affected.</p>	Medium (3)	Significant (4)	Very High	LFB
H45	Industrial Technical Failure	Technical failure of electricity network	<p>Outcome Description Total shutdown of the electricity supply over an entire region (or Developed Administration), occurring during working hours and lasting for 24 hours.</p>	Medium (3)	Significant (4)	Very High	LFB

Summary of Risk Ratings



See Appendix 2 for an explanation of the matrix and risk categories

Annex 1 – Threat Assumptions from Central Government

Exclusion Note:

The content of Annex 1 to Section 3 of the West London Community Risk Register is subject to a RESTRICTED classification in accordance with the Government's protective marking system and is withheld from general publication under Regulation 51 of The Civil Contingencies Act 2004 (Contingency Planning) Regulations 2005.

Controlled copies issued to Category 1 Responders within the West London Local Resilience Forum area (see Section 1) receive a complete copy of the West London Community Risk Register (including Annex 1 to Section 3) which is subject to the RESTRICTED classification.

Appendix 1

Likelihood and Impact Scoring Scales

Impact scoring scale – qualitative measures

Level	Descriptor	Categories of Impact	Description of Impact
1	Limited	Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited number of injuries or impact on health.
		Social	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited number of persons displaced and insignificant personal support required. Limited disruption to community services, including transport services and infrastructure.
		Economic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited impact on local economy.
		Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited impact on environment.
2	Minor	Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Small number of people affected, no fatalities, and a small number of minor injuries with first aid treatment.
		Social	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minor damage to properties. Minor displacement of a small number of people for < 24 hours and minor personal support required. Minor localised disruption to community services or infrastructure < 24 hours.
		Economic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Negligible impact on local economy and cost easily absorbed.
		Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minor impact on environment with no lasting effects.
3	Moderate	Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sufficient number of fatalities with some casualties requiring hospitalisation and medical treatment and activation of MAJAX, the automated intelligent alert notification system, procedures in one or more hospitals.

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		Social	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Damage that is confined to a specific location, or to a number of locations, but requires additional resources. • Localised displacement of > 100 people for 1-3 days.
		Economic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited impact on local economy with some short-term loss of production, with possible additional clean-up costs.
		Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited impact on environment with short-term or long-term effects.
4	Significant	Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Significant number of people in affected area impacted with multiple fatalities, multiple serious or extensive injuries, significant hospitalisation and activation of MAJAX procedures across a number of hospitals.
		Social	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Significant damage that requires support for local responders with external resources. • 100 to 500 people in danger and displaced for longer than 1 week. Local responders require external resources to deliver personal support. • Significant impact on and possible breakdown of some local community services.
		Economic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Significant impact on local economy with medium-term loss of production. • Significant extra clean-up and recovery costs.
		Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Significant impact on environment with medium- to long-term effects.
5	Catastrophic	Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very large numbers of people in affected area(s) impacted with significant numbers of fatalities, large number of people requiring hospitalisation with serious injuries with longer-term effects.
		Social	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extensive damage to properties and built environment in affected area requiring major demolition. • General and widespread displacement of more than 500 people for prolonged duration and extensive personal support required. • Serious damage to infrastructure causing significant disruption to, or loss of, key services for prolonged period. Community unable to function without significant support.
		Economic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serious impact on local and regional economy with some long-term, potentially permanent, loss of production with some structural change. • Extensive clean-up and recovery costs.
		Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serious long-term impact on environment and/or permanent damage.

Explanation of categories of impact

Category	Explanation
Health	Encompassing direct health impacts (numbers of people affected, fatalities, injuries, human illness or injury, health damage) and indirect health impacts that arise because of strain on the health service.
Social	Encompassing the social consequences of an event, including availability of social welfare provision; disruption of facilities for transport; damage to property; disruption of a supply of money, food, water, energy or fuel; disruption of an electronic or other system of communication; homelessness, evacuation and avoidance behaviour; and public disorder due to anger, fear, and/or lack of trust in the authorities.
Economic	Encompassing the net economic cost, including both direct (eg loss of goods, buildings, infrastructure) and indirect (eg loss of business, increased demand for public services) costs.
Environment	Encompassing contamination or pollution of land, water or air with harmful biological / chemical / radioactive matter or oil, flooding, or disruption or destruction of plant or animal life.

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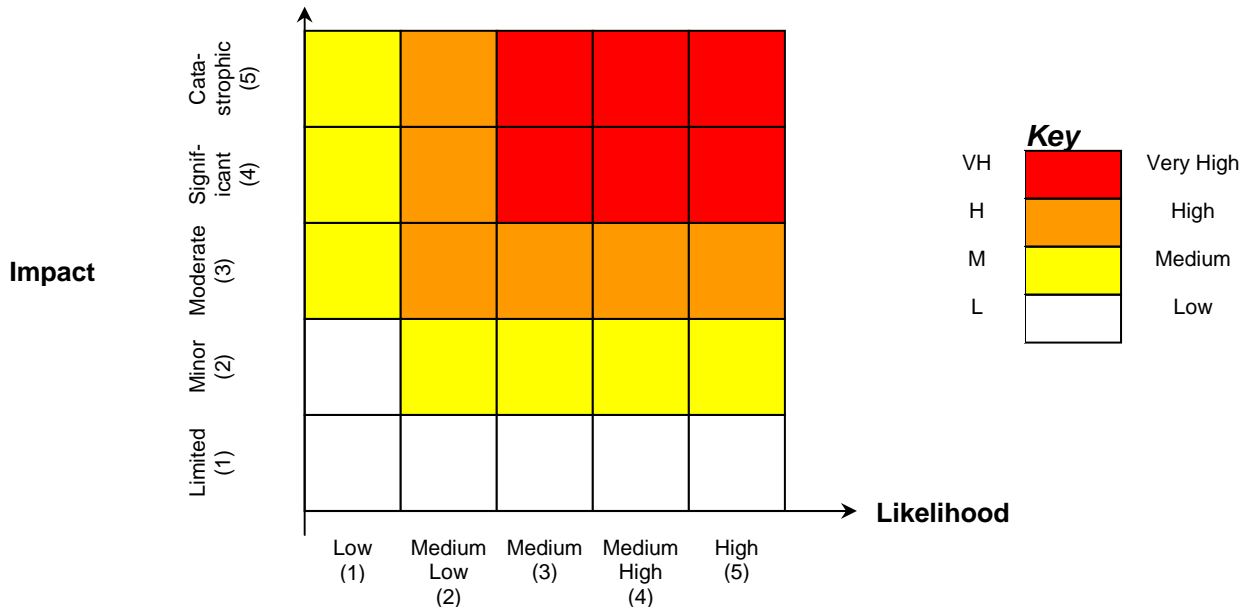
Strictly, levels 1 and 2 of the impact scale are likely to fall below the threshold for an emergency. Consequently, there may be no statutory requirement to plan for events that score 1 or 2 on the impact scale. This scale recognises that, to demonstrate a thorough analysis, Category 1 responders will wish to include in their risk assessment certain risks with impacts at these levels.

Likelihood scoring scale

Level	Descriptor	Likelihood Over 5 Years	Likelihood Over 5 Years
1	Low	> 0.005%	> 1 in 20,000 chance
2	Medium Low	> 0.05%	> 1 in 2,000 chance
3	Medium	> 0.5%	> 1 in 200 chance
4	Medium High	> 5%	> 1 in 20 chance
5	High	> 50%	> 1 in 2 chance

Based on the model likelihood and impact scoring scales published in Annex 4D of "Emergency Preparedness" (HM Government, 2005)

Appendix 2 Risk Rating Matrix



Definitions of Nationally Approved Risk Ratings

Very high (VH) risk	These are classed as primary or critical risks requiring immediate attention. They may have a high or low likelihood of occurrence, but their potential consequences are such that they must be treated as a high priority. This may mean that strategies should be developed to reduce or eliminate the risks, but also that mitigation in the form of (multi-agency) planning, exercising and training for these hazards should be put in place and the risk monitored on a regular frequency. Consideration should be given to planning being specific to the risk rather than generic.
High (H) risk	These risks are classed as significant. They may have a high or low likelihood of occurrence, but their potential consequences are sufficiently serious to warrant appropriate consideration after those risks classed as 'very high'. Consideration should be given to the development of strategies to reduce or eliminate the risks, but also that mitigation in the form of at least (multi-agency) generic planning, exercising and training should be put in place and monitored on a regular frequency.
Medium (M) risk	These risks are less significant, but may cause upset and inconvenience in the short term. These risks should be monitored to ensure that they are being appropriately managed and consideration given to their being managed under generic emergency planning arrangements.
Low (L) risk	These risks are both unlikely to occur and not significant in their impact. They should be managed using normal or generic planning arrangements and require minimal monitoring and control unless subsequent risk assessments show a substantial change, prompting a move to another risk category.

Based on the model risk rating matrix published in Annex 4F of "Emergency Preparedness" (HM Government, 2005)