



## Background

- Parish Councils are required to develop and maintain basic Emergency Plans to enable their communities cope better with a widespread civil emergency or lifethreatening incident.
- The plans would only be fully implemented where the threat was judged severe, and where the professional emergency services are unable to respond in a timely manner – either due to being temporarily overwhelmed or due to blocked roads etc.
- Responsibility for launch the plan, and then for coordinating the response, will lie with three coordinators appointed annually by the Parish Council.

# The twin objectives of Priston's Emergency Plan are:

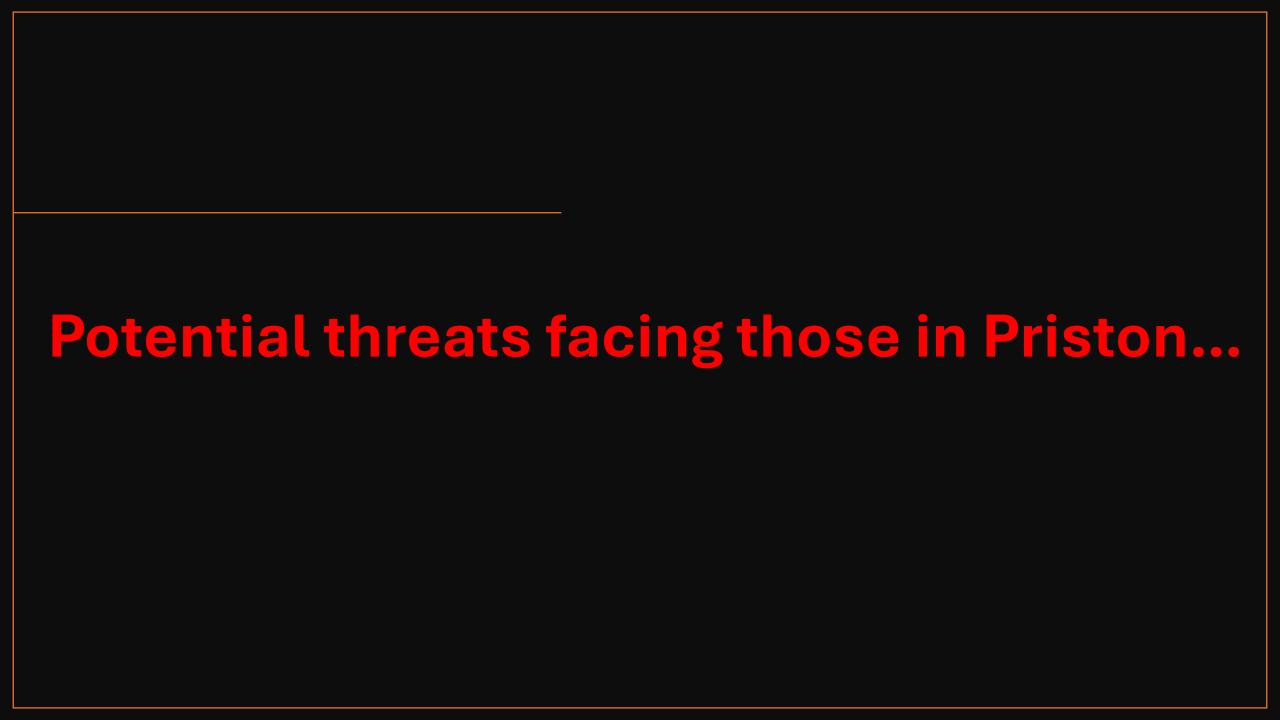
• To help improve family resilience.

• To establish a well-coordinated and trained group of volunteers who can respond quickly and appropriately to major threats to the community.

## Improving family resilience:

<u>Plan</u> to make your family more resilient and able to cope in an emergency: <u>imagine</u> what you would need if your family were unable to leave the village for a week and had no power or internet. You will need:

- Alternative way of cooking / boiling kettles
- 7 days+ supply of long-life food.
- 7 days+ supply of drinking-water
- Sleeping bags / ways of staying warm.
- Matches, fuel / logs for 7 days.
- Several bags of salt to keep paths ice-free
- A list of emergency contact numbers
- Torches and spare batteries + candles
- Minimum of 7 days' supply of essential medication
- First Aid kit
- Battery radio.



# Potential threats to Priston residents

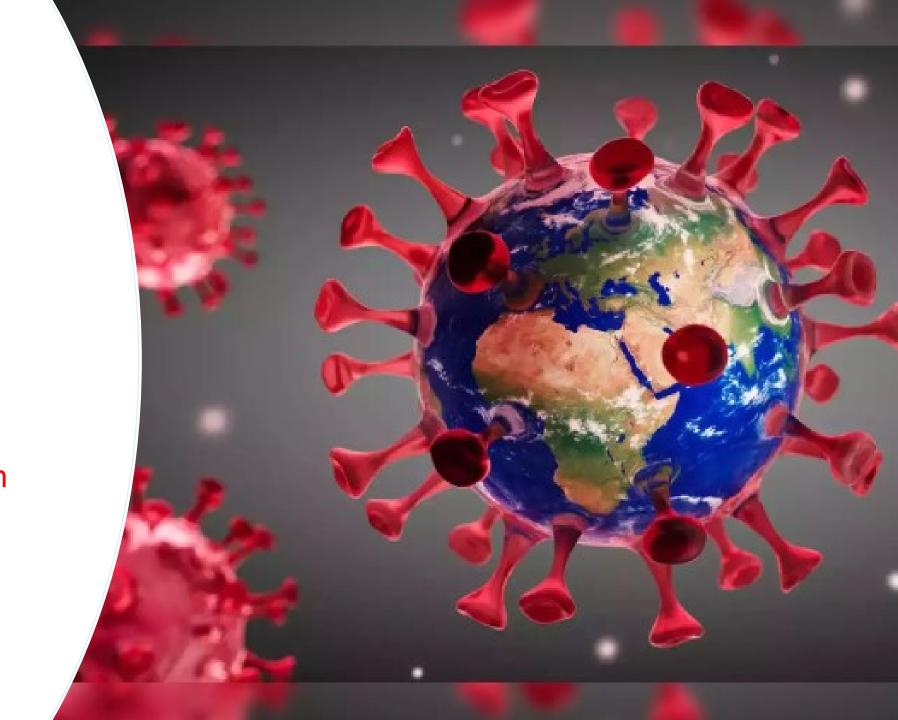
- A) Severe weather: strong winds, flood, snow & ice:
  - loss of services (power / comms etc.)
  - blocked roads and severe disruption to daily life for > 12 hours.....
  - Risk increasing with climate change.

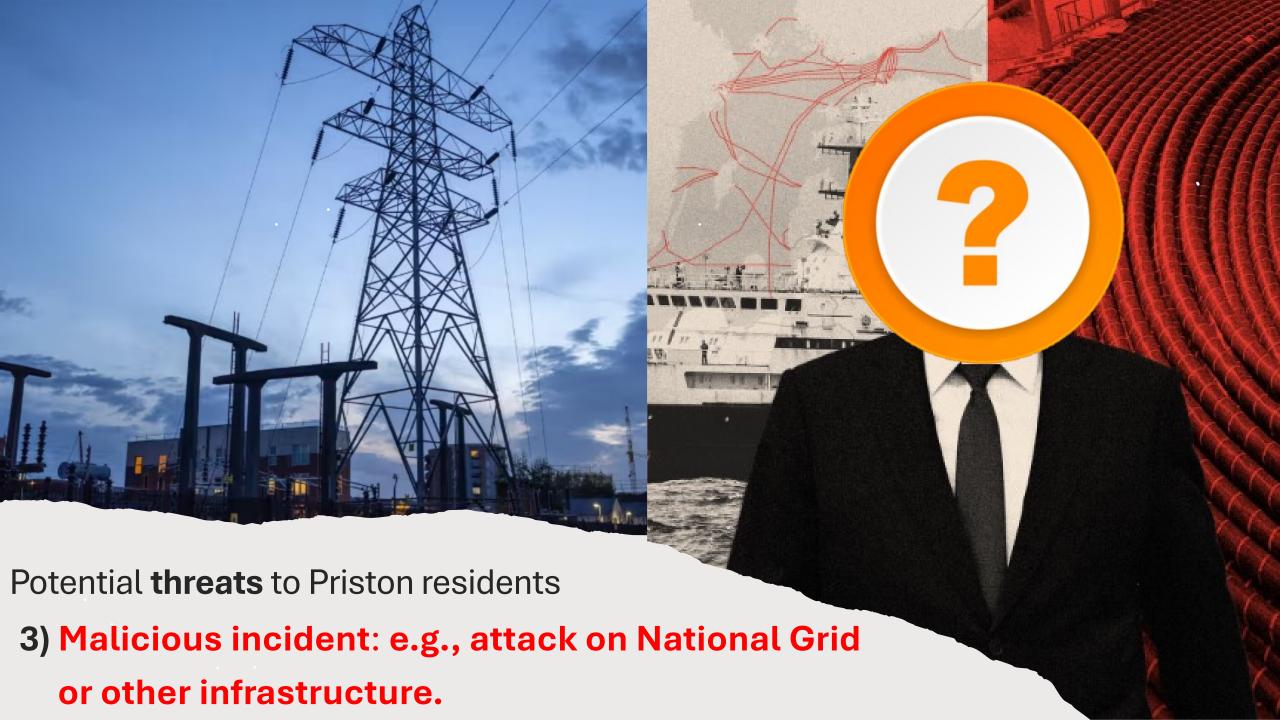


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### 2) Public Health: e.g. pandemic

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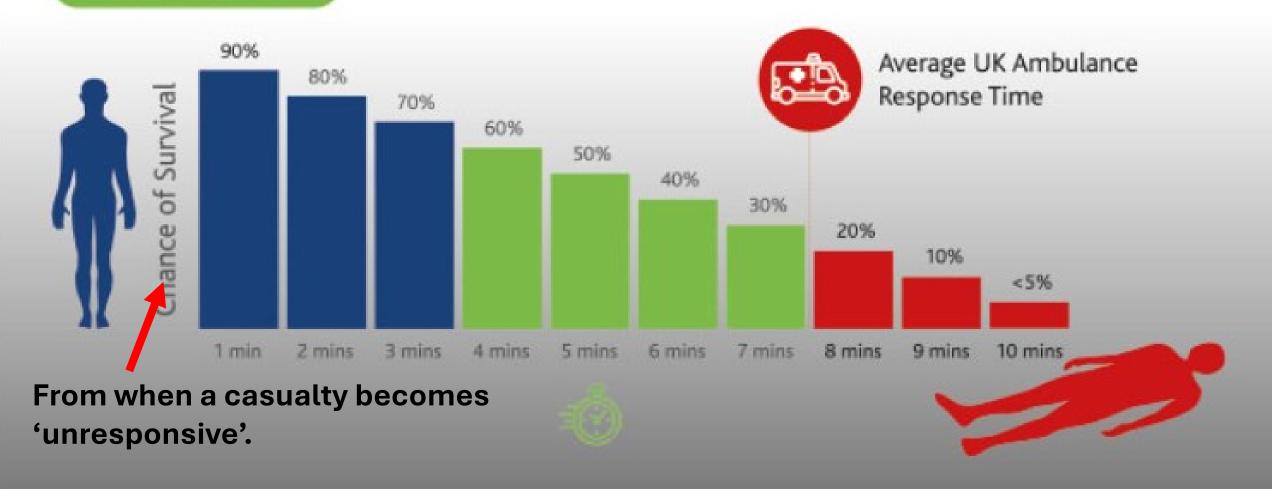






UK Ambulance response times are approximately 8 MINUTES

But ambulance response in Priston = 20 minutes if you're lucky!





#### **Chief Co-ordinator: John Cameron**

#### **Deputy Co-ordinator: Peter Hopwood**





Rescue & road clearance team



#### **Deputy Co-ordinator: Helen Burns**

**Evacuation point team** 



Care team for elderly or vulnerable.





## Questions?

To volunteer for one of the emergency plan teams, contact any Parish Councillor.