

### **Devon & Cornwall Police**

Devon Community Resilience Forum

**Cruwys Morchard Parish Hall** 

Assistant Chief Constable Paul Davies

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018



### I am the ACC for all this - what a fantastic job!



**Perranporth Beach** 



**Giraffe Restaurant, Exeter - Terrorist Attack** 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2008

# You never expect the unexpected! 10 years in a quiet part of the country...

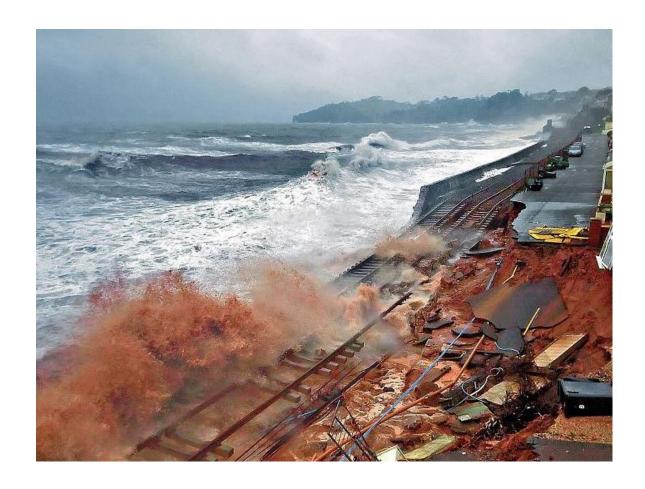
- Terrorism
  - Suicide bomber
  - IRA guns & bombs
- Floods
  - Coastal
  - Rivers
  - Groundwater/ dams
- Storms (Snow, wind, lightning)
- Helicopter and plane crashes
- H1N1 Swine Flu

- Marauding gunman
- Commercial boats sinking /cargo
- Major RTC/ coach crashes
- Cyber attacks
- Power outage
- Water contamination
- Major Fires city centre and mass residential evacuation
- Bovine TB
- Boating/tourist tragedies



### Winter Storms 2013/14

Massive waves engulfing Porthleven, Cornwall



### Winter storms 2013/14

Damage to the railway line at Dawlish – the only rail link between the South West and the rest of the UK. The estimated cost to the economy was £12 m per day.



### The National Risk Assessment

- A record, prepared by the Government, of the most significant emergencies the UK could face.
- It lists the most likely consequences of these emergencies describing the maximum scale, duration and impact that could reasonably expected.
- Used by your Local Resilience Forum (LRF) to develop a Community Risk Register

### **Risk Assessment Groupings**

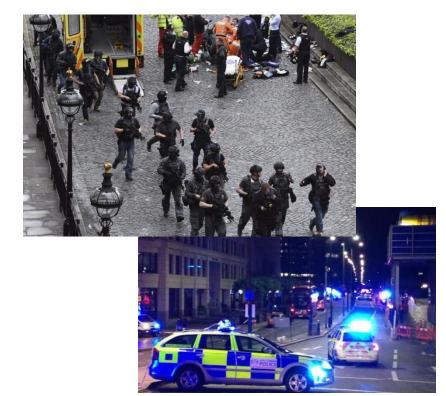
HAZARDS (45)

Flooding, infectious disease, strikes...

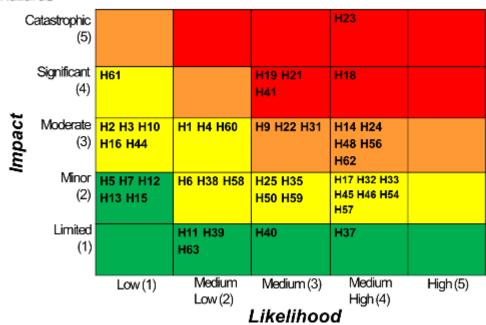
THREATS (39)

Terrorism, malicious attacks





#### Hazards



VERY HIGH = 5 HIGH = 8

H23 - pandemic influenza

H19 – coastal flooding

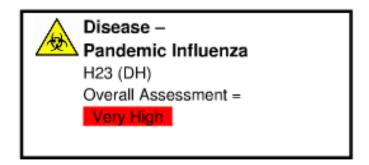
**H21 – fluvial flooding** 

H41 - national blackout of electricity transmission

H<sub>18</sub> – cold and snow

# HAZARDS top 5





A worldwide outbreak of influenza occurs when a novel flu virus emerges with sustained human to human transmission.

Up to 50% of population may experience symptoms

Up to 750,000 fatalities in UK

Absenteeism significant and could reach 30%-50% for 2-3 weeks

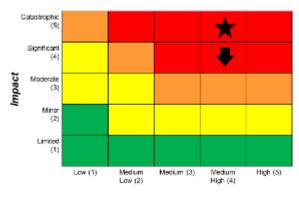


### VERY HIGH

LRF Capability Met Score

84%

Lead Assessor: Public Health England



Likelihood / Plausibility



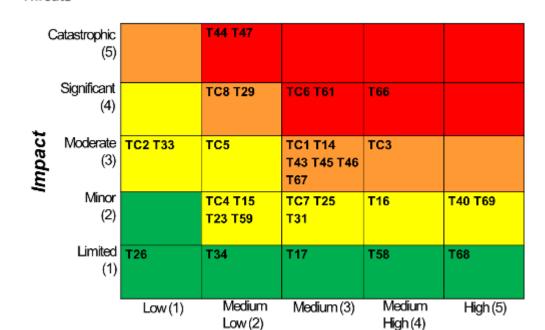


### The 1918 Influenza Pandemic

500 million people infected across the world resulting in the death of three to five percent of the world's population (50 to 100 million).

More than the four years of the First world War!

# THREATS top 5



Plausibility

VERY HIGH = 5 HIGH = 9

T44 – biological attack on unenclosed urban area

Threats

- T47 nuclear attack on unenclosed urban area
- TC6 attack on national electricity transmission
- T61 building collapse caused by VBIED
- **T66** marauding terrorist firearms attack

# Conventional attack – Marauding Terrorist Firearms T66 (HO) Overall Assessment = Very High

LRF

LRF Capability Met
Score

tbc%

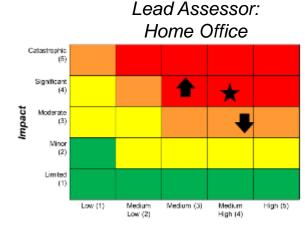
Marauding, simultaneous firearms attack in a crowded urban area.

Up to 200 fatalities and 650 casualties.

Disruption to transport, schooling.

Excessive demands on hospitals.

Evacuation of 1,000+ people for 3-7 days.







### **Grenfell Tower 2017**



# "Patronising disposition of unaccountable power"

- 30 years ago and still having a massive impact
- Dealing with people not just an incident
- Leadership and setting the tone.
- Emergency services working together
- Treatment of victims both dead and living
- Duty of candour making mistakes

# **Strategic Command**

- More than simply "gold" command of an incident
- Having regard to the whole picture
- Partnerships
- Politics
- Individuals, Families and Communities
- Before the incident/during the incident/ after the incident
- ... and then the public enquiry!

### My role as a Strategic Commander

- Set the strategy
  - Use the plan
  - JESIP and JDM
  - Command Protocols who does what when.
- Provide resources
  - People
  - Money
  - Partners / Mutual aid
- Communication
  - Downwards / Upwards / Outwards

## Rule 1 – Partnership

- Major incidents are not just police matters ... they involve everyone.
- Partnership and playing as a team is the name of the game
- Police role is co-ordination and intelligence flow.

# Rule 2 – Plan/Prepare/Exercise

Success starts before the incident ...

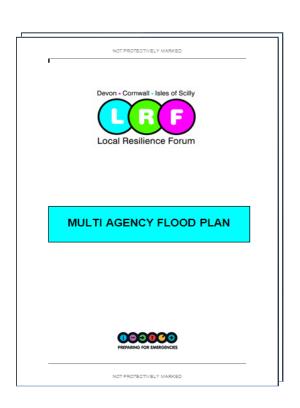
- Relationships and teams
- Understand of each others role
- Set up early (pre event assessment telekit)
- Ensure you have the support staff ...
   emergency planners, gold/silver staff, chief
   of staff
- Think about staff resilience Somerset levels floods went on for two months 24/7

### Rule 3 Follow the Plan

- Use your plans
- Don't reinvent the wheel you will make it square!
- Keep them simple
- Record your thinking







## Rule 4 - Recovery

### Local Authorities are responsible for recovery:

- In the era of outsourced services and reduced staff due to austerity, councils still need to be able to deliver an effective service over an extended period of time.
- Local Authorities need to be seen to take a lead role (Grenfell)

## Summary

- Major incident command is about partnerships
  - Leadership/interpersonal skills/common goals
- Relationships and contacts are key to success
- Plan/prepare/exercise your teams
- Set up early pre event whenever possible
- Follow the plan ... but be flexible
- Politics and Media
- Learn the lessons from every event