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Improving Community Engagement in Hounslow



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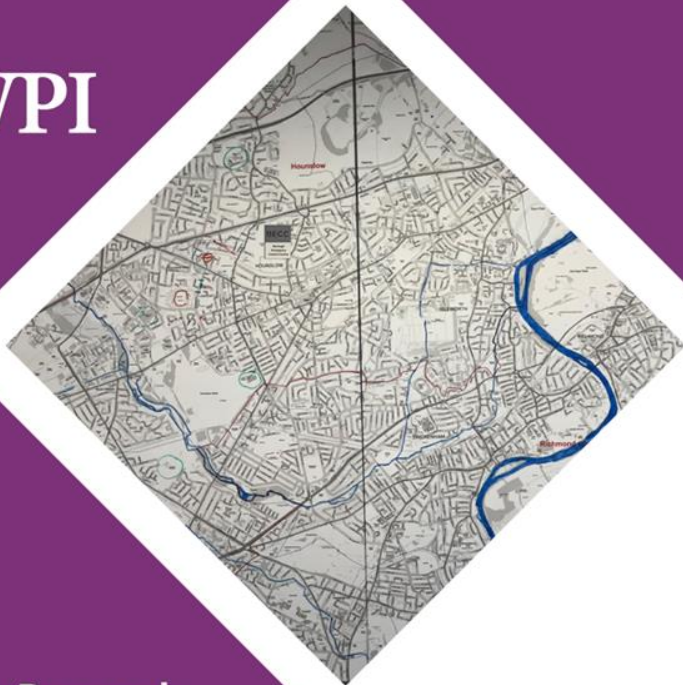




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Project Goal

PROJECT GOAL



Project Goals: Improve community engagement and management of voluntary contributions before, during, and after an emergency in Hounslow

Identify best practices in volunteer management and community engagement.

Evaluate local authorities and other government agencies.

Assess the needs and capabilities of stakeholders in Hounslow.



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Background

«« Convergence



Types of Convergence

- Material Convergence
- Personnel Convergence
- Informational Convergence



Causes of Convergence

- Human desire to help
- Inaccurate media reports



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Methodology

Experts, Stakeholders and Government Agencies



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IDENTIFY BEST PRACTICES



Identifying Interviewees

- Sifted through citations in our literature review
- Looked for established academics



Interviews

- Skype or face-to-face
- Interview Points:
 - Topics related to their fields
 - Convergence
 - Improvements to coordination and cooperation
 - Contact in the future



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ASSESS CURRENT PRACTICES



Interviews Procedures

- Review internal documents
- Interview:
 - Local authority
 - Police



Interviews

- Face-to-face interview
- Interview points:
 - Who does the ... engage with? How?
 - How does the ... manage spontaneous volunteers?
 - How does the ... communicate?



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ASSESS STAKEHOLDERS



Identify Stakeholders

- Businesses groups
- Faith groups
- Community groups
- Volunteer groups



Interviews

- Face-to-face interview
- Interview points:
 - Determine willingness to volunteer
 - Assess assets
 - Snowball Sampling
- Construct Database of stakeholders



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supporting business across the borough



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INTERVIEWEES

Academic Experts	Government Officials	Local Stakeholders
David McEntire	Timothy Arnold	Richard Frank
Jose Holguin-Veras	Dave Turtle	Bessie White
Claire Rubin	Joan Conlon	Prem Sondhi
Thomas Drabek	Aine Hayes	Stephen Fry
David Alexander		Michael Green
		Satvinder Singh Dadihla
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Findings



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«« Best Practices

- Established Communication Networks
- Improvised Response
- Volunteer Training and Certification
- Handling Convergence
- Media Interaction

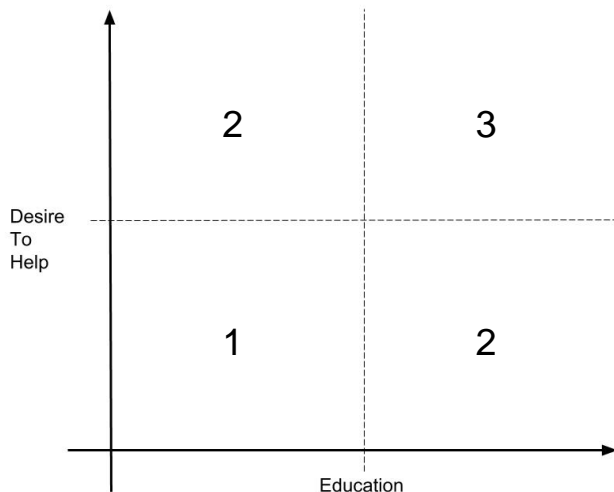
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Coordinated
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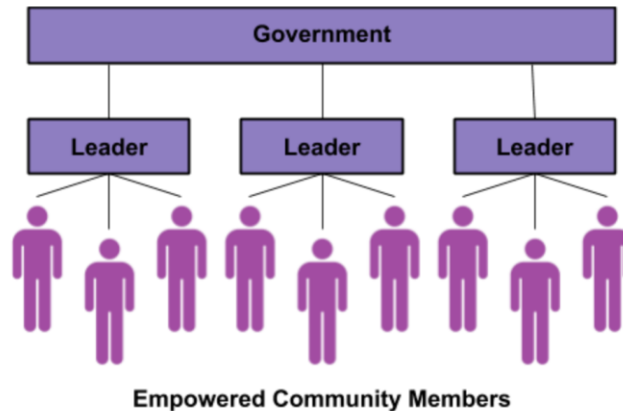
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«« Current Practices

- Community Engagement - Other Groups
 - Direct, informal, two-way connections
 - Committees and forums
 - Social media
 - Training/empowerment
- Evaluation of CPU Community Engagement
 - Connected to Red Cross
 - Council volunteers
 - Needs from the community:
 - Volunteers
 - Food
 - Vehicles
 - Space



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◀◀ Needs and Capabilities of Local Stakeholders

Needs	Capabilities
Networking	Volunteers
Scenario Training	Space
Guidance	Donations

- Willing to help
- Engagement preferences in line with best & current practice
- Database



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Database

Database entries are composed of three main categories:

- Organization Information
- Contact Details
- Resources

Organisation Information					
Organisation Name	Address	Category	Size (approximate number of members)	Validated	Organisation Notes

Contact Details			
Contact Name	Email	Phone	Contact Preference

Resources									
Volunteers		Space		Vehicles		Food		Other	
Offered	Notes	Offered	Notes	Offered	Notes	Offered	Notes	Notes	



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RECOMMENDATIONS

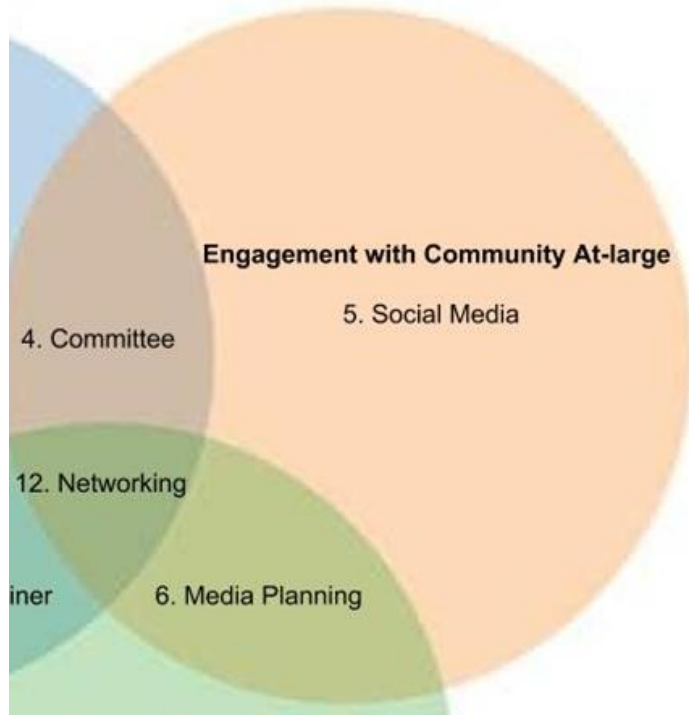


«« Engagement with Voluntary Groups



1. Scenario Training
2. Fill Out the Database
3. Update the Database
4. Form a Committee

«« Engagement with Community At-large



- 5. Social Media
- 6. Media Planning



Managing Spontaneity and Emergence



- 7. Direct Spontaneous Volunteers
- 8. Plan to Manage Donations
- 9. Plan for Emergent Groups
- 10. Individual Training
- 11. Train the Trainer
- 12. Networking



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**Thank
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«« Conclusion

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