

## Volunteer Flood Warden Taster Training Workshops Invitation

### Cornwall Community Resilience Network (CCRN)



*Cornwall Community Resilience Network are delighted to invite you to our next set of training workshops which will be held across Cornwall in the spring.*

**Why?** It has been an exceptionally wet autumn and winter. September and October were among the wettest on record. The ground is saturated across the country, rivers are full and this means that it will now take less rain to have a significant impact. Emergencies like flooding can hurt communities and we can't always prevent them happening.

Nearly all emergencies are dealt with routinely by emergency services, local authorities, utilities and voluntary agencies all working in partnership. But, there are times when their assistance may not be immediately available. For example, in the event that the incident is widespread, or if your community is temporarily isolated.

We know that communities spontaneously pull together to overcome adversity – but the effects of any flood incident can be better managed if your community is prepared.

**What?** The training is designed to complement the development of your community flood plan, whatever stage you're at.

By the end of the training you'll understand:

- ◆ The processes and terminology associated with flooding
- ◆ The hazards associated with flooding and how to carry out your role as a community volunteer in a safe way
- ◆ The role of the Emergency Services and how to collaborate with them during an incident
- ◆ How you can support your community and the Emergency Services before, during and after a flood

**When?** We have the following workshops available for you to attend:

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March – Gwinear Gwithian Parish Hall, Hayle**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March – Sticker Village Hall, Saint Austell**

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Calstock Village Hall, Calstock**

Each training workshop will be run from 9.30am – approximately 3.30 pm, with tea, coffee and a buffet lunch provided **free of charge**.

**Who?** These training taster workshops are open to everyone! Whether you are an individual interested in better understanding flood risk or are part of parish/town council wishing to start or update your community emergency plan/ community flood plan, there are no restrictions. However, please note that we have limited spaces on each training workshop so early booking is essential. To request a booking form please contact the Community Flood Resilience Co-ordinator:

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