

Kyle of Sutherland Community Resilience Plan

FOR CREICH AND ARDGAY & DISTRICT COMMUNITIES

- 1 Bonar Bridge**
 - Bonar Bridge Hall
 - Bonar Bridge Post Office
- 2 Ardgay**
 - Ardgay Hall
- 3 Rosehall**
 - Rosehall Hall
- 4 Invershin**
 - Invershin Hall
- 5 Culrain**
 - Culrain Hall
 - Culrain Phone Box
- 6 South Bonar**
 - The Hub
- 7 Cherry Grove**
 - Bradbury Centre
- 8 Invercassley**
 - Achness Hotel
- 9 Oykel Bridge**
 - Oykel Bridge Hotel
- 10 Strathcarron**
 - Braelangwell Lodge
- 11 Falls of Shin**
 - Visitor Attraction
- 12 Amatnatua**
 - Phone Box
- 13 Croick**
 - Croick Estate Deer Larder
- 14 Spinningdale**
 - Crossroads
- 15 Kincardine Hill**
 - KMS Training Solutions

KEY SAFE LOCATIONS

In cases where there is a direct risk to life (such as flooding, explosion/fire, major accident) an emergency plan will be activated and managed by the emergency services. Community involvement and support may be important or vital. In cases where there is no direct/immediate risk to people's lives (such as prolonged power outage caused by severe weather) the local Resilience Group will stay in contact with the emergency responders.



MAP KEY: ● SAFE PLACE ● DEFIBRILLATOR ● GENERATOR



SSEN Priority Services Register: A power cut can be distressing and difficult. SSEN offers extra help and support to vulnerable people during a power cut. To sign up, please call **0800 294 3259** or visit www.ssen.co.uk/priorityservices/ for more information

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

POLICE SCOTLAND (Non emergencies)	101
NHS NHS 24 helpline www.nhs24.com	111
WATER Scottish Water	08000 778 778
HIGHLAND COUNCIL Health & social care out of hours	08457 697 284
Roads, parks, flooding & street lighting	01349 886 690
ROAD INCIDENT TRUNK Road maintenance - BEAR:	01738 448 600
www.trafficscotland.org	
TRAIN INCIDENT British Transport Police	0800 40 50 40

FLOODING SEPA floodline www.sepa.org.uk/scottishflood-forecast	03459 881 188
SEVERE WEATHER www.metoffice.gov.uk	
POWER OUTAGES For all electricity providers	105
BROADBAND & TELEPHONE OUTAGES Highland Wireless	01862 808 077
BT Customer line	0800 800 150
EE support	0800 079 8586
TalkTalk help	0345 172 0088
Plusnet helpline	0800 432 0200
Vodafone	03333 040 191
PHARMACY Bonar Bridge	01863 760 011

POLICE / FIRE / AMBULANCE: 999

LOCAL HEALTH CENTRES Creich Surgery	01863 766 379
The Health Centre, Lairg	01549 402 007
Dornoch Medical Practice	01862 810 213
Migdale Hospital, Bonar Bridge	01863 766 211
Lawson Memorial Hospital, Golspie	01408 633 157
Raigmore Hospital, Inverness:	01463 704 000
CYBER SCAMS Report Fraud	0300 123 2040
www.actionfraud.police.uk	
Police Scotland	101
www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/scams	

RIVER INCIDENT Kyle of Sutherland Fisheries Trust	01863 766 702
www.watersafetyscotland.org.uk	
ENVIRONMENTAL SEPA pollution hotline	0800 807 060
www.ep-scotland.org.uk	
MENTAL HEALTH Samaritans	116 113
CROCUS	01463 714 568
NHS24	111
Mikeysline	07786 20 77 55
Breathing Space	0800 83 85 87
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE Caithness & Sutherland Women's aid	03454 080 151
NSPCC	0808 800 5000

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AREA STATISTICS



POPULATION:
1,656¹



**ONE PERSON
HOUSEHOLDS:**
316¹



UNDER 17s:
193¹



**PEOPLE
AGED 65+:**
572¹



HOUSEHOLDS:
849¹



**51 WILDFIRES IN
HIGHLANDS IN
2023²**



**57 FLOODING
INCIDENTS IN
HIGHLANDS IN
2023²**



**SNOW FALLS
ON 38.1 DAYS
AVERAGE/YEAR
IN SCOTLAND³**

¹ 2022 Census / ² Scottish Fire & Rescue Service / ³ Met Office

SNOW & ICE



Snow and ice can disrupt our lives in lots of different ways.

It can cause frozen or burst pipes, transport disruption and even risk of hypothermia. Then when the snow thaws, a risk of flooding can follow. Because winter can be a particularly difficult time for elderly or vulnerable people, the following advice mentioned below is to make sure you, and those around you, have the help and support you need.

In Advance

- Make sure you've signed up to the Met Office for the latest weather warnings/updates.
- Make sure you have storage of food, water, prescription medicines and torches.
- Check on vulnerable neighbours or relatives and help them to prepare. Make sure they're aware of the support available to them during cold weather, including the SSEN Priority Services Register. To register, please call **0800 294 3259**.
- Keep up-to-date with the latest weather warnings, travel advice and road conditions by visiting www.trafficscotland.org.

In Cold Weather

- If you lose power, call 105 – it's free of charge and will put you through to your local network operator who can give you help and advice.
- Make sure you can keep as warm as possible, wearing layers, and keeping at least one room in the house heated.

After Snowfall/Ice

- Take extra care when cycling, walking or driving. Leave a safe distance when driving - your stopping distance is increased by 10x in snow and ice;
- Stay off frozen water
- Make sure that vulnerable neighbours or relatives are safe
- Before attempting to thaw out your pipes, check for leaking joints or bursts. If there are none, and if it's safe to do so, gently warm any frozen sections with a heated cloth wrapped around the pipe. **Never apply a direct flame or attempt to thaw pipes by switching on your immersion heater or boiler.**
- If you're fit, well and able; clear and grit paths and pavements (clearing fresh snow is easiest, and avoid using hot water, which could quickly turn to ice).

FLOOD RISK



Flooding is one of the most common emergency situations in Scotland and affects many homes and communities. Taking action now to prepare for flooding can protect your home and possessions and can help you recover more quickly when floods occur. The main types of flooding in Scotland are:

- **River flooding** – when rivers and burns burst their banks due to high volumes of water
- **Coastal flooding** – high tides and storms create unusually high sea levels or big waves
- **Surface water flooding** – heavy rainfall fills the drains and sewers which then overflow.

Know your risk – check SEPA's flood map to see if the area you live in is at risk of flooding. <https://www.sepa.org.uk/environment/water/flooding/flood-maps/>

Sign up to Floodline at www.floodlinescotland.org.uk to receive text alerts so you get advance notice of impending floods.

Create a flood plan – make sure you've thought about all members of the family and don't forget about your pets.

Prepare a 'grab bag' of essential items. Remember you may be out of your house for days.

What goes into a family flood kit?

It should include a torch, first aid kit, warm and waterproof shoes and clothing, supplies of prescription medicines, bottled water, food, rubber gloves, children's supplies, pet supplies, insurance details, portable radio and spare batteries, and a rucksack in case of evacuation.