WILLOWDALE

Residents' Emergency Response Checklist



A helpful guide in the event of extreme weather or fire events.

The safety of residents is very important to Stockland. As part of the masterplan for the Willowdale development, an assessment has been completed to identify potential extreme weather and fire events.

This Community Resilience Plan (CRP) has been put together to help residents understand what local climatic events can occur, and what can be done to prepare and take action if they do.

The CRP provides information with the aim to enable community self-reliance in the event of an emergency through four phases – prevention, preparedness, response and recovery.

PLEASE NOTE: This CRP is a guide only, and we remind residents to always keep themselves safe, informed and prepared.



Community and Climate Overview

The Stockland master planned community of Willowdale is situated in Denham Court (East Leppington growth precinct), approximately 50 kilometres south west of the Sydney CBD. The community is within a 5 minute drive of Leppington Train Station and is located on the boundary between Camden and Campbelltown City local Government Areas. The community will contain a range of residential living options, with provision for a town centre with shopping and dining facilities, a public school, childcare centre, and retirement living, as well as 25 hectares of open space including playgrounds, BBQs, walking and cycle paths.

Local climate for the region is predominantly temperate, which typically results in warm wet summers and mild, dry winters. The inland location of the community also influences local climate, with higher temperatures experienced compared with coastal areas.

Average maximum daily temperatures range from 29.6°C in summer, with hottest temperatures typically occurring in January, to 17.3°C in winter (Bureau of Meteorology for Camden Airport AWS).

Average minimum daily temperatures range from 16.9°C in summer to 3.0°C in winter, with coldest temperatures typically occurring in July (Bureau of Meteorology for Camden Airport AWS).

Extreme temperatures above 35°C can be experienced in summer and can create ideal conditions for bushfires, which are a natural occurrence throughout Australia. The Camden area currently experiences an average of 14 days per year above 35°C (Bureau of Meteorology for Camden Airport AWS).

Rainfall patterns are typically seasonal, with higher rainfall experienced during summer months and lower rainfall in winter. Trends indicate variability in the amount of rainfall received from year to year. Storm events result in periods of heavy rainfall and strong winds, and may lead to flood events.

Specific climate factors

There are several climate factors that Willowdale community residents should be aware of, so as to be better prepared in the event of an extreme weather event:

- There are two main creeks within the development, College Creek located along the eastern boundary and Bonds Creek flowing from the southwest to northwest. The Sydney Catchment Authority canal flows from southwest to northeast in direction and bisects the development
- The local area is mapped as flood-prone land, however this risk relates to areas in immediate proximity to the waterway corridors and the flood risk to areas outside of this are extremely low
- Increased intensity of rainfall and flash flood events that potentially pose access and egress risks (road closures) as well as drainage capacity issues
- The predominant vegetation that is currently in the area consists of some remnant 'woodland' to the east, woodland further to the south and 'grassland'
- The local area is mapped as low/minor bushfire risk, provided that the area immediately surrounding the site is maintained in order to reduce the risk of grassland fires
- Local climate and the regular occurrence of days above 35°C, particularly during summer
- Projections indicate a significant increase in extreme heat events over 35°C, increasing the risk of heat stress and fire weather days.



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Regional climate resources

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Extreme heat

NSW Health provides information and guidance for heatwave and extreme heat day events:

http://bit.ly/1aisIC8

NSW Government provides factsheets on what to do before, during and after a natural disaster (with a range of language options available):

http://bit.ly/2vjpj3T

City of Campbelltown provides guidance on heatwaves, including ways to avoid heat stress, particularly for vulnerable community members:

http://bit.ly/2wrXpaN



Extreme rainfall, sea level rise, cyclones and storm events resulting in localised flooding

NSW Government provides factsheets on what to do before, during and after a natural disaster (with a range of language options available):

http://bit.ly/2vjpj3T

Emergency NSW publishes locations of recovery centres on their website for specific emergency events including floods:

http://bit.ly/2wyCqT6

City of Campbelltown provides guidance on floods and storms, and provides links to further information and guidance on developing a flood action plan, flash floods and drain and canal safety:

http://bit.ly/2v0nq0H



Emergency Checklist

Residents' Emergency Response Information - keep handy to help in the event of extreme weather

Emergency contacts

- Life-threatening emergencies 000 (triple zero); mobiles (000 and 112)
- Police/fire/ambulance 000 (triple zero); mobiles (000 and 112)
- Macquarie Fields Police Station (non-emergency) (02) 9605 0499
- Liverpool Hospital: (02) 8738 3000
- Camden Hospital: (02) 4634 3000
- Campbelltown Hospital: (02) 4634 3000
- State Emergency Services (SES) for flood and storm response: 132 500
- Sydney Water General enquiries: 13 20 92
 Faults and emergencies: 13 20 90
- Endeavour Energy General enquiries: 133 718
 Faults and emergencies: 131 003
- Camden Council (Monday to Friday 8.30am 5pm): (02) 4654 7777
- City of Campbelltown 24 hour telephone service: (02) 4645 4000
- City of Campbelltown list of emergency contacts: http://bit.ly/2imPl59

Information on how to develop an emergency plan and emergency kit for the community occupants

- Red Cross RediPlan, a free disaster preparedness guide: http://bit.ly/2h9quNl
- Emergency NSW provides a range of guidance and links to information on developing emergency kits and emergency plans for community members and businesses: http://bit.ly/2v0cG25
- City of Campbelltown Emergency Management: http://bit.ly/2ws3MLf
- City of Campbelltown guidance on developing a home emergency kit and a household emergency plan: http://bit.ly/2widn72

Key community contacts

- Camden Council community directory: http://bit.ly/2vOwi6f
- Camden Civic Centre: http://bit.ly/2vYmFCn
- City of Campbelltown community directory: http://bit.ly/2fZMzSn
- Camden Community Connections: http://bit.ly/2vYcJJ1

Communication channels to keep you informed

- The National Emergency Alert telephone warning system can provide warnings to all mobile phones based on last known location of the handset. There is no need to register for this service. Further information is available here: http://bit.ly/14qHK9N
- Emergency NSW also provides a range of social media links to monitor news and updates during an emergency: http://bit.ly/2g0iWAd
- ABC Emergency Warnings and Alerts, with links to social media coverage of current hazards and emergencies: http://ab.co/1xC42ip
- Illawarra ABC Local Radio 97.3 FM and Illawarra ABC News Radio 90.9 FM provide up-to-date information on the latest news, warnings and emergency updates, as relevant.

Nominated emergency shelter location(s) for the community

The closest nominated Neighbourhood Safer Place to Willowdale is St Andrews Soccer Fields, Spitfire Drive, Varroville, for use during a bushfire.

- The City of Campbelltown provides guidance for "sheltering in place" during a flood or storm event: http://bit.ly/2v0nq0H
- Emergency NSW publishes locations of recovery centres on their website for specific emergency events: http://bit.ly/2vOskut

Guidelines for disaster prevention and emergency procedures

- NSW Government provides factsheets on what to do before, during and after a natural disaster (with a range of language options available): http://bit.ly/2vjpj3T
- Emergency NSW also provides a range of links to additional information: http://bit.ly/2wyCqT6
- City of Campbelltown Emergency Management: http://bit.ly/2ws3MLf



Stay Safe