



79 Clare Green Road *Radiation Emergency Response Plan*

This document outlines the actions to be taken if the local authority alerts the Home to a radiation emergency

Initiation

The plan will be initiated by receiving an alert from the local Authority on the telephone line land or via broadcast or social media.

First Actions

The person receiving the alarm will note the advice given (probably to take shelter) and immediately inform all staff members present.

Staff will work together to ensure that the everyone on site goes indoors without delay.

Staff will work together to ensure that all doors and windows are shut and that all heating systems or air conditioning systems that might draw air in from outside are switched off.

Continuing actions

The senior staff member present will take control.

They will verify that everyone is indoors and that the building is sealed (doors and windows shut, heating and air conditioning off).

They will take what steps they think appropriate to prepare those present to shelter indoors for up to 48 hours.

They will detail someone to monitor local radio and council social media for further information about the event and any updated council advice.

They will update staff if the situation changes.

They will anticipate problems that might arise and manage them within the resources available.

The local authority prior information leaflet will be circulated to adults present to brief them on the Council's expectations. Current at https://www.westberks.gov.uk/media/39234/AWE-Public-Information-booklet-2023/pdf/20240704-WBC_REPPIR_booklet_A5.pdf but maybe updated.

People are strongly encouraged not to leave the building but if they insist or have to for some good reason they should be encouraged to wear a covid type of face mask while outside.

End of event

The Council, working with AWE and the Emergency Services will determine when to rescind the shelter advice.

When this message is received, the Home will return to normal with the senior staff member present making the initial arrangements.

Summary of prior information

From <https://www.westberks.gov.uk/awe#radiation%20emergency>

What to do in the unlikely event of a radiation emergency at an AWE site

If you get a call or find out that there is a radiation emergency about AWE, then follow the steps below:

- **go in** - go indoors and follow the advice below
- **stay in** - close and stay away from all windows and doors - damp down or put out fires and turn off any fans that could draw air from outside
- **tune in** - tune in to local radio and TV - advice and updates will also be given on news websites and social media
- **don't use your phone** - don't use your landline or mobile unless there is a separate emergency - this could overload the system and should be left clear for the emergency services
- **don't leave the area** - don't leave the area unless told to do so by the emergency services - you will be much safer indoors

To find out more information about what you should do if there is a radiation emergency at AWE Aldermaston or Burghfield, please see the instructions and advice in the REPPiR Public Information Booklet.

Local Radio Stations

Local radio and TV stations to tune	
Heart Berkshire	97.0, (Reading) and 102.9 MHz (Basingstoke and Whitechurch) MHz. DAB: 12D (Reading and Basingstoke) Broadcast area: Berkshire and north Hampshire
BBC Radio Berkshire	Frequency: 94.6 MHz, 95.4 MHz, 104.1 MHz, 104.4 MHz; DAB: 12D; Freeview: 719 Broadcast area: Berkshire, northern Hampshire, parts of Buckinghamshire and parts of southern Oxfordshire
Greatest Hits Radio Berkshire & North Hampshire	107.6 MHz FM
The Breeze (Newbury)	105.6 and 107.4 MHz FM
BBC Radio Solent (Hampshire)	96.1 and 103.8 MHz FM
The Breeze (Reading)	107 MHz FM
BBC South	
ITV Meridian	