

79 Clare Green Road

Radiation Emergency Response Plan

There is a very low probability of an accident at the AWE plc site at Burghfield causing a plume of radioactive material to drift across Clare Green Road. Inhaling this radioactive material is not very dangerous but is undesirable. The best protection available is to get into a robust building with the doors and windows shut. This will protect you in the same way a sealed building protects you from the smoke from a bonfire.

Anyone receiving an alert about such an accident should inform the others on site and then follow the instructions below.

In a Radiation Emergency (AWE Burghfield)	
Alert	This could be via: • The AWE installed telephone alerting system. • An alert on the local radio or TV; • A member of the emergency services (i.e. police) instructing you to take some immediate action e.g. shelter indoors or evacuation, etc;
Go In	Go indoors as soon as you can and follow the instructions below. Alert others on site
Stay In	• Stay indoors, close and stay away from all windows and doors. • Turn off air conditioning and heating systems to reduce air intake from the outside. • Remain calm and wait for further advice.
Tune In	Tune in to a local radio station, which will give you further information or instruction, including updates on schools. It may also be worthwhile checking relevant websites such as local news, schools or councils, to see whether any more information is available.
Don't use phone	Don't use the phone. If you need to use it, keep the call as short as possible. This will help to keep the lines clear for use for emergency calls. Use text messages and email to communicate with family and friends as this put less load on telecoms systems. Don't phone the emergency services or AWE as they will be busy dealing with the emergency. Don't dial 999 unless you have a separate emergency.
Don't leave the area unless asked to	Don't be tempted to leave the area unless told to do so by the emergency services. You will be safer indoors. If you are out-of-doors, you are more likely to be exposed to radioactivity. If you try to leave you may block the roads for the emergency services. There will normally be no need for urgent evacuation. In the highly unlikely event that you are told to leave the area you will be sent to a Reception/Rest Centre set up by the local authority where you will be looked after and receive help and information