

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Belchamp Emergency Officer's Report</b> <b>Report for the Annual Parish Assemblies - April 2025</b></p>
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I'm pleased to report that there hasn't been a need for the Emergency Officer to be mobilised in the last 12 months.

The role of Emergency Officer is one that could involve much deliberating, planning and head scratching to decide what emergency could be imagined, then the response to that happening and the tools and equipment necessary to deal with it.

However, all those things considered, it must be remembered that should the emergency be serious, our role as 'locals' will be to assist the powers at Braintree District Council, Essex County Council and potentially the Emergency Services.

Consequently, the amount of planning is probably better left to the event itself when a more accurate assessment can be made of the situation and how we can assist.

I have submitted a list of buildings in the Parishes that could be used in an emergency but here again, the requirements, including the scale of the situation, are unknown until it happens.

Peter Hesketh

Emergency Officer

20<sup>th</sup> February 2025