## LEIGH AND BRANSFORD PARISH COUNCIL COMMUNITY SELF-HELP PLAN

The plan has been developed by the Leigh and Bransford Parish Council Emergency Group (PCEG). This plan has been designed to enable the community to respond to a major incident/emergency, while they are awaiting the assistance of the Emergency Services and or County/District Council.

Emergencies have no boundaries and could affect the whole District or part/whole of Worcestershire. Due to the unknown nature of emergencies the emergency services, County, District Council and other agencies may be overwhelmed resulting in a delayed response to specific areas.

The Community Self-Help Plan has been designed to enable the Parish to identify the immediate actions they should consider during an emergency and resources they may need. These actions and resources may assist the community in reducing the negative impacts an emergency can have until further assistance has been received.

The aim of the plan is to increase the short-term resilience of the community to an emergency, by the identification of community procedures.

Individual households should also consider how they may prepare themselves for emergencies. To assist parishioners with this the Parish Council have developed a Household Emergency Plan template which can be downloaded from the website.