COMMUNITY SURVEY

Would You Support a Local Resilience Hub During Power Cuts?

This survey is aimed at establishing:

1.	COMMUNITY NEED:	How concerned are residents about prolonged power cuts, and what would they struggle with most?
2.	PRACTICAL REQUIREMENTS:	What facilities would make a Resilience Hub genuinely useful?
3.	COMMUNITY SUPPORT:	Would residents use, support or volunteer at a hub?

If you have any extra comments, they can be added on the last two pages.

Section 1: About you and your community

1. In which age group to you belong ***(optional)***?

- ☐ Under 18
- ☐ 18–30
- ☐ 31–45
- ☐ 46–60
- ☐ 61–75
- ☐ Over 75
- ☐ Prefer not to say

2. Which area or community do you live in?

- ☐ Glenkindie
- ☐ Towie
- ☐ Surrounding villages
- ☐ Rural Aberdeenshire
- ☐ Other (please specify)

3. How concerned are you about the possibility of a prolonged power cut in your area?

- ☐ Very concerned
- ☐ Fairly concerned
- ☐ Not particularly concerned
- ☐ Not concerned at all
- ☐ Unsure

Section 2: Experience and preparedness

4. Have you experienced a power cut lasting more than four hours?

- ☐ Yes, in the last 12 months
- ☐ Yes, more than a year ago
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not sure

5. If your home lost electricity, how well prepared would you feel?

- ☐ Very well prepared
- ☐ Reasonably prepared
- ☐ Not very prepared
- ☐ Not prepared at all
- ☐ Unsure

6. What would be your biggest concerns during an extended power cut? (Select all that apply.)

- ☐ Heating and keeping warm
- ☐ Cooking and access to hot food
- ☐ Keeping food and medicines refrigerated
- ☐ Charging mobile phones and other devices
- ☐ Access to the internet and information
- ☐ Contacting family and friends
- ☐ Access to clean drinking water
- ☐ Access to medical equipment or essential medication
- ☐ Feeling isolated or unable to get help
- ☐ Looking after children or vulnerable family members
- ☐ Other (please specify) _____

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7. Do you currently have access to any of the following during a power cut?

- ☐ Battery-powered radio
- ☐ Portable power bank
- ☐ Battery storage or generator
- ☐ Alternative heating source
- ☐ Alternative cooking facilities
- ☐ Emergency food and water supplies
- ☐ None of these

Section 3: The idea of a Resilience Hub

8. Before this survey, had you heard of a community Resilience Hub?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not sure

9. Would you support the establishment of a local Resilience Hub that could open during prolonged power cuts and other emergencies?

- ☐ Definitely
- ☐ Probably
- ☐ Unsure
- ☐ Probably not
- ☐ Definitely not

10. How useful do you think a local Resilience Hub would be to you and your household?

- ☐ Extremely useful
- ☐ Very useful
- ☐ Quite useful
- ☐ Not very useful
- ☐ Not useful at all

11. Do you have access to a car or transport to travel to a resilience hub?

- ☐ Yes, my own car
- ☐ Yes, passenger in another's car
- ☐ Other transport
- ☐ No transport

12. How far could you travel to access a Resilience Hub during a power cut?

- ☐ Less than 1 mile
- ☐ 1–3 miles
- ☐ 3–5 miles
- ☐ More than 5 miles
- ☐ Depends on the circumstances

Section 4: What should the hub provide?

13. Which facilities and services would you most value at a Resilience Hub? (Select up to five.)

- ☐ Warm, heated indoor space
- ☐ Hot drinks and refreshments
- ☐ Hot meals or basic food supplies
- ☐ Drinking water
- ☐ Phone and device charging points
- ☐ Access to Wi-Fi and internet
- ☐ Access to reliable emergency information
- ☐ First aid and basic health support
- ☐ Refrigeration for essential medicines
- ☐ Space for families and children
- ☐ Toilets and washing facilities
- ☐ Seating and a place to rest
- ☐ Support for older people and those living alone
- ☐ Somewhere to meet neighbours and socialise
- ☐ Information about local emergency services
- ☐ Other (please specify) _____

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14. Which of the following groups do you think would benefit the most from a Resilience Hub?

- ☐ Older people
- ☐ People living alone
- ☐ People with disabilities or mobility difficulties
- ☐ People with medical needs
- ☐ Families with young children
- ☐ People without access to alternative heating
- ☐ People living in rural or isolated locations
- ☐ Everyone in the community

15. How important would it be for the hub to be accessible to people with disabilities and mobility difficulties?

- ☐ Essential
- ☐ Very important
- ☐ Fairly important
- ☐ Not particularly important

16. When should a Resilience Hub be available?

- ☐ During any power cut
- ☐ When a power cut lasts more than 4 hours
- ☐ When a power cut lasts more than 12 hours
- ☐ When a power cut lasts more than 24 hours
- ☐ During other emergencies as well as power cuts

Section 5: Community involvement

17. Would you be interested in helping to support or volunteer at a local Resilience Hub?

- ☐ Yes, regularly
- ☐ Yes, occasionally
- ☐ Possibly, depending on what is involved
- ☐ No, but I would use the facilities
- ☐ No

18. If you were willing to volunteer, what skills or support could you offer?

- ☐ Preparing and serving refreshments
- ☐ Welcoming and supporting visitors
- ☐ First aid
- ☐ IT and communications
- ☐ Practical maintenance and setting up facilities
- ☐ Transporting people who need assistance
- ☐ Organising activities for children
- ☐ Administration and coordination
- ☐ Other (please specify) _____

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19. Would you like to attend a community event or workshop to learn more about preparing for power cuts and other emergencies?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Maybe
- ☐ No

Section 6: Final thoughts

20. What would be the single most important thing a local Resilience Hub should provide?

21. Do you have any concerns about establishing or operating a local Resilience Hub?

22. Do you have any other suggestions about how our community could better prepare for power cuts and emergencies?

23. Would you like to receive further information about the proposed Resilience Hub or get involved in its development?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

If yes, please leave your contact details using the contacts below.

If you need help to complete this survey or have any questions please contact us at:

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