

Kempsey draft Local Strategic Planning Statement

Comments from the Resilience Planning team on the **Kempsey LSPS**.

Regarding resilient places, the Kempsey LSPS does provide sufficient natural hazards and climate change resilience actions, but would further benefit from including the following resilient and recovery actions:

- The Kempsey LSPS would benefit from the inclusion of available hazard maps and information on the projected impacts of climate change in the region.
- Water security - it is important that Kempsey include actions that consider and address the challenges associated with drought and water insecurity now and in the future.
- Actions that address recovery after a natural hazard event would help promote resilience-building within the LGA.
- Managing future risk so as to not to increase the population at risk and the demand on Emergency Services personnel and volunteers should be included in actions.
- An action to establish hazard planning and disaster resilience principles as primary considerations in all development proposals. A planning principle that ensures that local/regional hazard risk assessments inform land use planning decisions could be included.
- Action 3.3 could be expanded to review development controls to encourage adaptable and resilient buildings.
- There should be a variety of short, medium, long-term and ongoing actions for resilience within the LGA to ensure that resilience is managed and sustained.

If you have any questions or need anything clarified, feel free to let me know. Happy to discuss further.

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