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Council endorses Disaster Management Plan

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A plan that will guide Cook Shire through disaster preparation, response and recovery was endorsed at the June Council meeting.

The Cook Shire Local Disaster Management Plan is prepared by the Cook Shire Local Disaster Management Group (LDMG), whose members comprise Council, emergency services and government service providers. The plan's key objectives include ensuring planning and training is current, disaster mitigation is undertaken and to ensure the public is kept informed of potential risks.

"Cook Shire's Disaster Management Plan is flexible to all disasters, with one management system that can be utilised in the event of a flood, cyclone or other event," Cook Shire Mayor and LDMG Chair Peter Scott said. "This is an important document, it provides real relatable guidelines that work on the ground for our region and ultimately minimises the risk of death or injury resulting from a disaster."

The plan is reviewed annually in consultation with the Emergency Services Coordinator and the Cook Shire LDMG.

For more information contact Council's Disaster Management Officer via email at <u>mail@cook.qld.gov.au</u> or phone on 4082 0500.

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