

Response to Request for Information

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Strategy/Plan for a Zombie Scenario

Request:

Given the potential of an Outbreak of apocalyptic levels which could result in A Catastrophic Zombie scenario, and that you as a front facing public service would be at risk. I wanted to know if you as an organisation had any Strategy or plan in place to prevent (or if unable to do so) at least contain the situation should it arise.

In respect of your above question, it has been established after careful consideration that the Council does not hold the above information. Consequently, we are unable to provide any information relating to the above, and are informing you as required by Section 1(1) (a) of the Act, that states:

"Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request".

However, while we accept that the absence of evidence is not evidence of absence, the City of Wolverhampton concentrates our efforts on planning for risks that are generally accepted as being more likely. With limited resources, we must select priorities and, as such, we use the [National Risk Register](#) and the local [Community Risk Register](#) to identify risks based on their likelihood and impact.

You'll see from the above links, that neither of the published registers recognise risks such as faeries, werewolves, vampires or zombies; but that is not to say that our plans are not capable of being adapted to unexpected, black swan type, emergencies.

The City of Wolverhampton has a number of risk specific plans that are underpinned by a generic Major Incident Response Plan. This plan allows us to gather the right people, with the right training and tools, to manage the response to a major incident, irrespective of the hazard that caused it.

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/419549/20150331_2015-NRR-WA_Final.pdf

<https://www.wmfs.net/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/CommunityRisk2014.pdf>
[West Midlands Community Risks 2014 - wmfs.net](http://www.wmfs.net)
www.wmfs.net

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West Midlands Community Risks 2014 West Midlands Resilience Forum
PREPARING FOR EMERGENCIES

[National Risk Register of Civil Emergencies 2015](#)

www.gov.uk

6 National Risk Register of Civil Emergencies: 2015 edition An introduction
to terrorist and other malicious attacks 42 Terrorist attacks on crowded
places 45
