

APPENDIX 2

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Part J.1 Joint Arrangements Article

Article 17 - Joint Arrangements

[this extract starts at page 3 of Part J.1 in the version of the Constitution last updated in June 2005]

17.07 ALG Arrangements for Co-ordinating Response to a ~~Catastrophic~~ Incident Emergencies

- (a) The Council and Executive ~~has~~ have resolved to delegate its their powers under section 138 of the Local Government Act 1972 (power to incur expenditure to avert or alleviate the effects of an emergency or disaster) to an outside Chief Executive appointed to co-ordinate the response of London local authorities to a catastrophic incident or a lesser emergency. This "Gold" Chief Executive ~~would~~ will be appointed under arrangements approved by Central Government, the ALG and the London Resilience Forum. ~~and~~ The Gold Chief Executive will ~~would~~ have power to incur expenditure needed in connection with ~~the~~ a catastrophic incident or, subject to paragraph (c) below, an emergency.
- (b) These arrangements ~~would~~ will only come into effect in the event that:
- (i) the Minister of State for London Resilience ~~had~~ declared that a "catastrophic incident" ~~had~~ has occurred or ~~was~~ is imminent, or
 - (ii) there is an emergency requiring a level 2 response as defined in Guidance under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004.

- (c) In the event of an emergency requiring a level 2 response, the Gold Chief Executive will only have power to incur expenditure once:
- (i) the Minister of State confirms that H.M. Government will reimburse
expenditure reasonably incurred by the Gold Chief Executive in taking
immediate action to safeguard life or property or to prevent suffering
or severe inconvenience, or
- (iii) The Council or Councils in whose area the emergency occurs
confirm that it/they will reimburse expenditure incurred as in (i) above.
- (d) All Council officers are authorised to take any action in accordance with instructions issued by the appointed Gold Chief Executive in the event that such a “catastrophic incident” is declared or an emergency requiring a level 2 response occurs.