



HYPER

**Hampshire Young Peoples
Emergency Response**



**Hampshire
& Isle of Wight**
FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE



Who are HYPER?

The Hampshire Young Peoples Emergency Response programme is a partnership between Hampshire Scouts, the Cadets of Hampshire and IOW Fire and Rescue Service and Hampshire Constabulary working with the Local Resilience Forum. It is for those young people aged between 13 (cadets), 14 (explorers) and 17 years.

This pilot project will hopefully involve other young people's groups in the future, such as the military cadets and girl guiding.

When was HYPER created?

Hyper was started in 2018 by a small project group, with the support of the Chief Constable. A policy was drawn up, leaders were trained and then in October 2019, 30 Scouts and Cadets joined forces at Ferny Crofts to tackle some emergencies: testing their skills and ingenuity in Operation Cornwall.

Why was HYPER created?

All over the world, Scouts are helping their communities during times of disaster and it was agreed that there was no reason why teenagers from Hampshire couldn't play their part as well.

Scouts in Guatemala 2018 have been hard at work helping people who fled their homes on the slopes of Mount Fuego after the volcano erupted for the first time in more than 40 years. As rescuers hurried to the affected area, local Scout groups mobilised to collect basic supplies for those who'd been forced to leave everything behind. In less than 24 hours, some 20 Scout groups got to work setting up collection centres to gather and sort donations.



Like Guatemala's Scouts, HYPER is about young people from Hampshire being able to help out during an emergency in their County, under the LRF's 'Building Resilience Among Young People' strand.

Launch Details: Saturday 2nd July 2022 at Ferny Crofts

After a pause because of the pandemic, HYPER is back on track and will officially launch this summer as Operation Cornwall II. First of its kind in the UK, that we know of...

We will be bringing together 30-40 young people to take part in the Exercise, testing them and their leaders to tackle emergency incidents similar to those that occur throughout the County every year. The exercise will be followed by the official launch, with the Deputy Lord Lieutenant, Deputy Chief Constable and Chief Fire officer present.

Are you interested in becoming a HYPER?

If you are an Explorer Scout, get your leader to speak to the Hampshire Scouts team who are part of the project team – details below.

If you are an Explorer Scout leader interested in your Unit being part of HYPER, then please contact the team.

Leaders will receive training in managing emergency incident tasks, undertaking risk assessments and will have detailed briefing on the activation and incident process. Training is delivered alongside Fire and Police Cadet leaders.

Benefits of taking part: Team building, Community service, Problem solving, Exciting Learning.

Further information:

If you would be interested in finding out more, please contact either Martin Rudd or Adam Jollans via email or phone on:

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Report from Jackie Heath, an Explorer Leader - Magellan Explorer Scouts:

We took part in a pilot training exercise for the Young Person's Emergency Network.

Our explorers joined with other from across the county to make a Scout team and there was also a fire cadet team and a police cadet team. There were three excellent scenarios that each team had to assist with.

In the first, they had to notify all the residents of a street that there was flood warning and they should be ready to leave home with just half an hour's notice. Sounds easy, but our teams had to overcome residents who did not speak English, were asleep, had illnesses or were just plain awkward.

The next scenario involved finding a missing person and then administering first aid on some very realistic wounds. In the final task, teams had to fill sandbags to protect a house from a river bursting its banks. The morning concluded with feedback and pizza cooked in the FC pizza oven. It was an excellent morning and we look forward to the next stage of the training.