Understanding the Standard for Disaster Management in Queensland
Prompt Sheet: Indicators of Outcome 4

IP4

Planning and plans

Planning involves many steps. It should result in entities working with their community to prioritise how their collective and collaborative efforts will reduce the impact of disasters on the community. Plans document these efforts, identify interdependencies, roles and responsibilities, and provide guidance on how to undertake disaster management. The planning process results in a shared understanding of the efforts required to reduce the risk to the community.

Outcome 4: Plans outline and detail how the impact of disasters on the community will be reduced

The following questions are intended to be used as prompts for entities to think about how the Indicators of this Outcome might apply to their own circumstances.

Disaster management plans

Disaster management plans are informed by disaster management guidelines
- Are disaster management plans informed by disaster management guidelines?
- How are disaster management guidelines used when developing disaster management plans?

Disaster management plans are informed by evidence
- What evidence informs disaster management plans?
- How is evidence used as a basis for disaster management plans?

Disaster management plans are informed by risks
- How are risks used to inform disaster management plans?
- How do disaster management plans incorporate the risks identified in the risk assessment?

Disaster management plans are informed by people with relevant skills or expertise
- Which individuals and entities have skills or expertise relevant to the disaster management plan? Are they involved in developing or updating it?
- How are the skills and expertise of relevant people or entities incorporated into disaster management plans?

Disaster management plans are approved by the accountable entity
- Which individual or entity is accountable for approving the disaster management plan?
- Has the disaster management plan been approved by the accountable individual or entity?

Disaster management plans consider activities initiated by the community
- What activities might the community initiate that are related to the disaster management plan?
- How are community-initiated activities incorporated into the disaster management plan?

Disaster management plans consider funding arrangement, eligibility criteria, and activation mechanisms
- What funding arrangements does the disaster management plan need to consider?

- What are the eligibility criteria for the funding arrangements considered in the disaster management plan?
- What are the activation mechanisms for the funding arrangements considered in the disaster management plan?

Disaster management plans identify redundancies for people and resources

- What are the positions or roles identified in the disaster management plan? Does the plan identify alternate personnel who could fill these roles, should the primary person not be available?
- What resources and equipment are identified in the disaster management plan? Does the plan identify alternatives, should the primary resources fail or be unavailable?

Disaster management planning and plans

Disaster management planning and plans are fit for purpose and meet entity needs

- Are the disaster management plans that result from the planning process fit for purpose?
- Do disaster management plans meet the entity's needs?

Disaster management planning and plans meet the needs of the community

- What needs does the community have that can be met by disaster management planning and plans?
- How do disaster management planning and plans meet the community's needs?

Disaster management planning and plans identify and acknowledge community capability and capacity

- What capabilities and capacity does the community have?
- How are community capabilities and capacity identified and incorporated into disaster management planning and plans?

Disaster management planning and plans are integrated and consider multi-agency requirements

- How are disaster management planning and plans integrated?
- How are multi-agency requirements integrated into disaster management planning and plans?

Disaster management planning and plans address the management of offers of assistance

- Are offers of assistance considered in disaster management planning and plans?
- How are offers of assistance addressed in disaster management planning and plans?

Disaster management planning and plans establish the requirements for post-event evaluation

- Is post-event evaluation considered in disaster management planning and plans?
- How are the requirements for post-event evaluation established in disaster management planning and plans?

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