How to Command a Crisis

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Key Messages for this Webinar

- Crisis Command is a Cornerstone of Resilience
- Your Crisis Recovery starts with Crisis Command
- Overview of the Crisisboardroom[®] Kit
- How to take Command of a Crisis using the Crisisboardroom[®] Kit
- Webinar Delegate Offer





Introductions

Russ Timpson

• Crisisboardroom® Kit

Partner Organisations





Crisisboardroom® Kit -





Crisisboardroom® Kit

- In use around the World
- Developed from experience delivering over 300 crisis simulations/stress tests
- Highly Resilient 'Russian Pencil to the NASA Pen'
- Tried and tested in real crisis events
- New improved Openhouse version now available





Crisisboardroom® Kit

- Two versions of the Crisisboardroom[®]
 Kit:
 - Crisisboardroom[®] Kit for Crisis Response Teams of 10 or more people
- Crisisboardroom® Compact Kit (pic) for Crisis Response Teams of 5 people
- Can be used together to 'project' command system from Head Office to Regional or smaller sites





What we have learnt from 300 Crisis Simulations

- Need to define what a crisis is
- Need to work out the 'foreseeable' crisis events that may occur
- Decide how you are going to 'declare' a crisis and invoke
- Adopt a pre-arranged crisis management structure
- Equip and prepare a crisis management room



5 Crisis Questions that need Answers – FAST!

- What has happened?
- Who is in Command, what is the Command structure?
- What is the current status of people, assets, processes?
- What are the priorities now?
- Who, How and What should we be communicating?



Partner Introductions -





UK Manufacturer and Distributor of Crisisboardroom® Kits





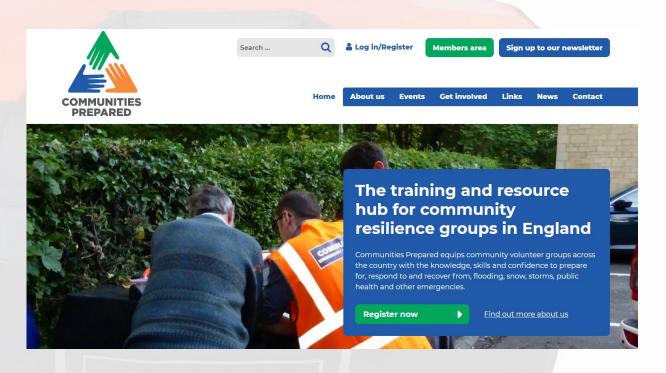
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Opening Question?

When is the worst time to have a crisis?





"Everyone's got a plan – Until they get punched in the face"



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Crisis Response is a Cornerstone of Resilience -





Organisational Resilience Cycle

• 'The ability of an organisation to absorb and adapt in a changing environment'.

'More resilient organisations can anticipate and respond to threats and opportunities, arising from sudden or gradual changes in the internal and external context'.

Recover **Adapt** Anticipate Resilience Absorb **Detect** Respond

Inspiration - Some Great Recoveries

- The Great Depression
- Dunkirk
- Charlton Athletic
- Apple Computers





The Great Depression – New Deal

- The New Deal was a series of programs, public work projects, financial reforms, and regulations enacted by President Franklin D. Roosevelt in the United States between 1933 and 1939.
- The programs focused on what historians refer to as the "3 Rs": relief for the unemployed and poor, recovery of the economy back to normal levels, and reform of the financial system to prevent a repeat depression.
- Lesson Have a plan, be proactive, not reactive
- Lesson Take well informed risks, don't be timid





Dunkirk 1940

- Allied Troops trapped on a beach
- Operation Dynamo evacuate using small craft
- Call answered by 861 vessels called the 'little ships' (of which 243 were sunk during the operation).
- 27 May to 4 June, 338,226 men escaped
- Lesson Strong Leadership is required, Churchill
- Lesson Adapt and use resources that are not at first obvious
- Lesson Resilience is a state of mind, 'The Dunkirk Sprit'







Charlton Athletic Football Club 1957

- 5-1 down with half an hour to go, having played most of the match with 10 men, they won 7-6. Second Division, The Valley, 21 December 1957
- Charlton's hero of the hour dashing left-winger Johnny Summers - engineered the most remarkable comeback in football history, scoring. From being four down, Summers's goals - including a six-minute hat-trick - gave Charlton a 6-5 lead with two minutes left. Huddersfield promptly equalised, only for Summers to lay on the winner for John Ryan, who scored with the final kick of the game.
- Lesson Never give up, never accept defeat
- Lesson Whilst you are still in the game, keep playing





Apple Computers 1985

- With decreasing sales Apple fired the founder of the company Steve Jobs.
- 1985 Jobs returned; he quickly took three decisive steps toward making the company worth a trillion dollars:
- 1. A capital infusion was needed which Steve jobs took from Microsoft in exchange for rights to ship Microsoft office and internet explorer on the Macintosh. Lesson Secure cashflow.
- 2. Jobs diversified into making other products such as -iMacs, iPods, and iPhones. Lesson Innovate meet clients needs, lead the market.
- 3. Apple Stores were also opened putting his products front and center.
 Lesson Adapt processes to meet clients needs
- Today apple is one of the best companies in the world doing so well that it has been termed as one of the greatest business comebacks over the last three decades.





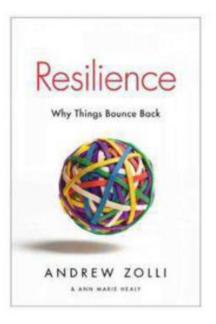
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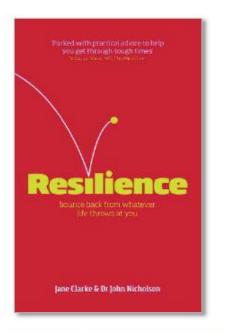
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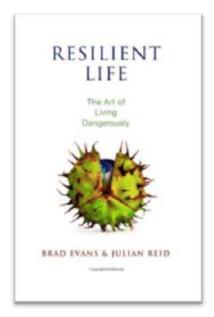


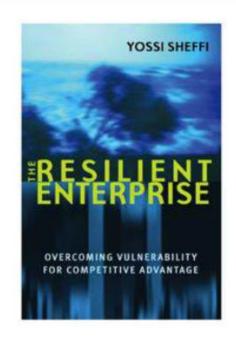


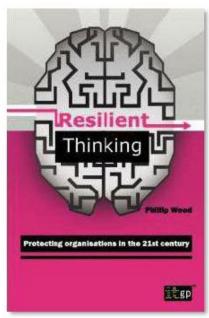
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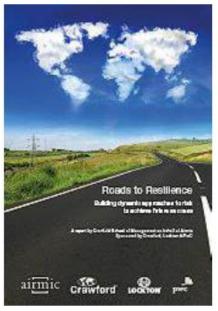


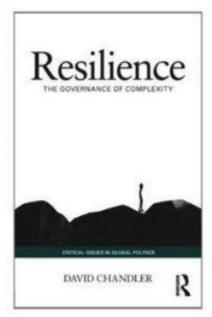


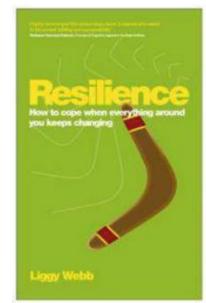












Resilience - DRI

'The Adaptative Capacity of an Organisation in a Complex and Challenging Environment'



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Resilience - BSI

'Capability of an Organization to Anticipate, and Respond and Adapt to, Incremental Change and Sudden Disruptions in order to Survive and Prosper'



VUCA

"The decade of strategy is over, the future will be;

Volatile

Uncertain

Complex

Ambiguous"

- Chairman, Saatchi & Saatchi, May 2012



Answer to Opening Question

When is the worst time to have a crisis?

Answer – When you are already in a crisis



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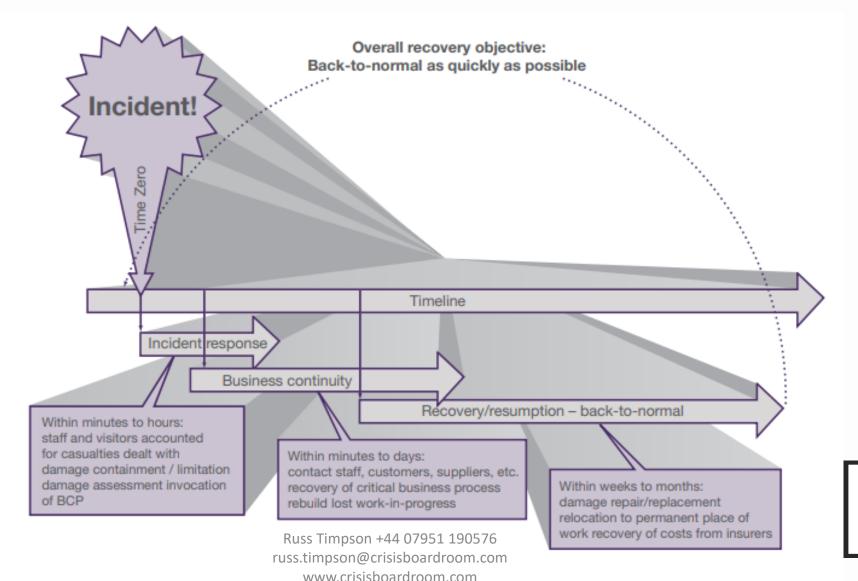


Your Recovery Starts with Crisis Command -

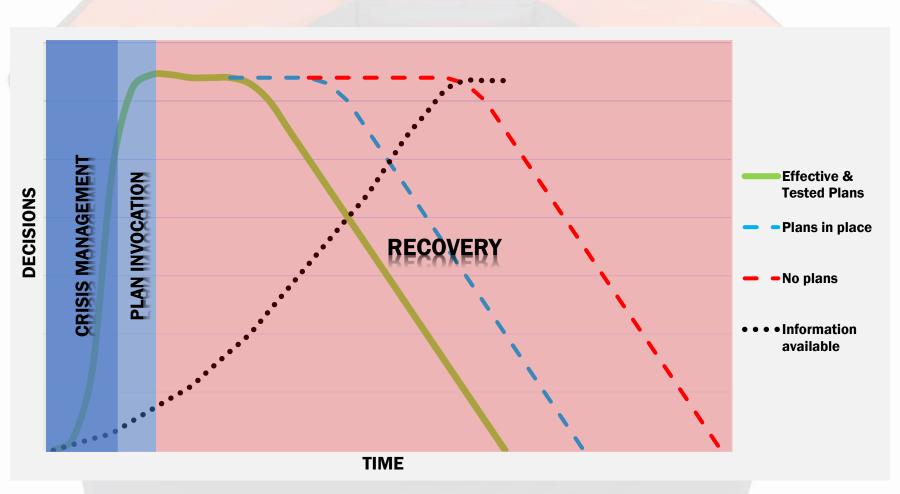




Crisis Command is the Start of the Recovery

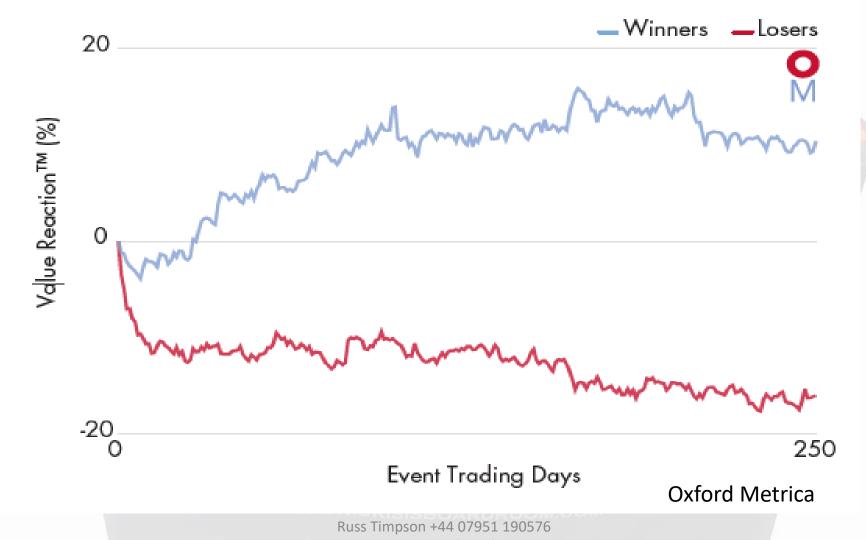


DECISION MAKING





What Difference Does it Make?





What is a Crisis?



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Crisis -

Inherently abnormal, unstable and complex situation that represents a threat to the strategic objectives, reputation or existence of an organisation



Two Types of Crisis

Sudden Crisis – immediate onset, unanticipated and escalate quickly. Invoking should happen very quickly.

Fire, flash-flood, earthquake, Serious accident

Smouldering Crisis – creeping, slow-burn or rising tide. Grows undetected over time. Indicators can be missed, ignored or misunderstood. Invoking will be a difficult decision.

Product recall, pandemic, IT Virus



Criteria for a Crisis

A crisis is a situation in which something or someone is affected by one or more very serious problems, which in part or collectively have the potential to:

- Affect or threaten employees
- Affect or threaten the public
- Has a major, immediate or potential impact on the business operations, image or reputation
- Requires immediate implementation by management of exceptional procedures or resources
- Could result in penal consequences for the company or its employees

The GOLDEN HOUR

The Emergency Services refer to the 'Golden Hour' at the start of a crisis response. Which means that what you do in the first 60 minutes of a crisis response will probably dictate the success or failure of the response.

You will need 3 vital components in the Golden Hour:

- 1. A Command Structure
- 2. Competent, experienced Crisis responders
- 3. Tools and Checklists



Why Command and not Management?



Command Structure

- Gold Commander Assess the threat, Control the situation, deal with external stakeholders and make strategic decisions on how to deal with the crisis. Reports to the most senior corporate leaders.
- Silver Commander Turns the Gold Commanders strategy into tactical plans. Leads and individually tasks Bronze Commanders to complete the tactical plans. Reports directly to the Gold Commander
- Bronze Commander Carry's out tasks and assignments as directed by Silver commander. Supervises their own "Bronze team". Reports directly to Silver Commander.





Two key Command areas during CRISIS

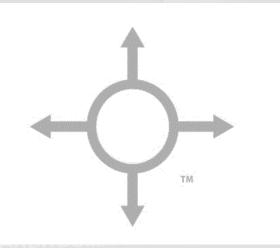
Site Recovery

Safety & Security



Business Recovery

Reputation





EMERGENCY

SAFETY SECURITY

SITE RECOVERY

ENVIRONMENT

MITIGATION

SUPPORT

FIRST AID

FINANCE

STAFF

INVESTIGATION

INSURANCE

WELFARE

LEGAL

IT



INSURANCE

REPUTATION

CONTRACTORS

SUPPLY CHAIN

REBUILD

LOGISTICS

STAFF

IT/INFRASTRUCTURE

BUSINESS RECOVERY **FUNDING SOURCES**

MEDIA

COMMUNICATION

CUSTOMERS

LEGAL



'Normal' Crisis Events will still happen, they don't care about Covid 19





Big 8 Scenarios to Plan For:

- 1. Denial of Access Extreme weather
- 2. Loss of key service/supply chain *Insolvency*
- 3. Loss of key staff member/skill Headhunted
- 4. Loss of IT hardware/software Cyber attack
- 5. Serious industrial accident Human error
- 6. Loss of key asset Fire
- 7. Pandemic *Enough said*
- 8. Product recall or service reputation issue Negative social media





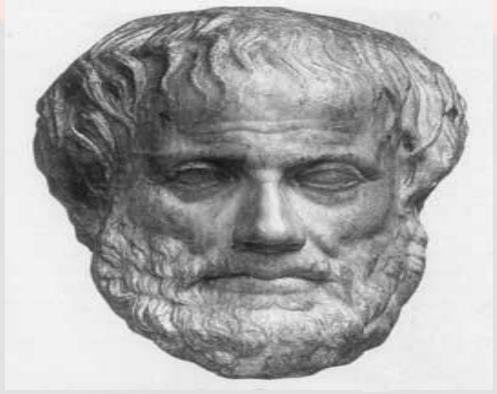






Aristotle

"the one thing we can expect is the unexpected"



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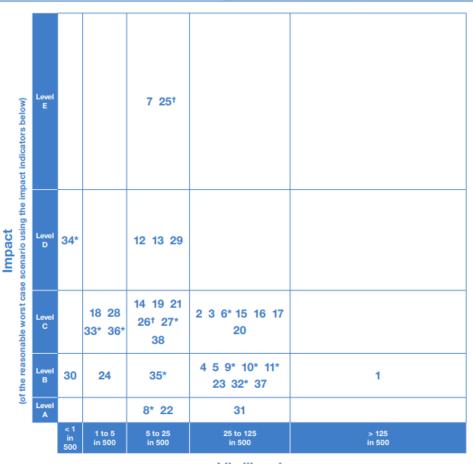


What's the Next Crisis?

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2020 UK Govt Risk Register



Likelihood

(of the reasonable worst case scenario of the risk occurring in the next year)

*Risk not plotted in the 2017 NRR | *COVID-19 is not included in the risk matrix and is therefore not included in these risks

Malicious Attacks

- 1. Attacks on publicly accessible locations
- 2. Attacks on infrastructure
- 3. Attacks on transport
- Cyber attacks
- 5. Smaller scale CBRN attacks
- 6. Medium scale CBRN attacks
- 7. Larger scale CBRN attacks
- 8. Undermining the democratic process*

Serious and Organised Crime

- Serious and organised crime vulnerabilities*
- 10. Serious and organised crime prosperity*
- 11. Serious and organised crime commodities*

Environmental Hazards

- 12. Coastal flooding
- River flooding
- Surface water flooding
- 15. Storms
- Low temperatures
- 17. Heatwaves
- 18. Droughts
- 19. Severe space weather
- 20. Volcanic eruptions
- 21. Poor air quality
- 22. Earthquakes
- 23. Environmental disasters overseas
- 24. Wildfires

Human and Animal Health

- Pandemics[†]
- 26. High consequence infectious disease outbreakst
- 27. Antimicrobial resistance*
- 28. Animal diseases

Major Accidents

- Widespread electricity failures
- 30. Major transport accidents
- 31. System failures
- 32. Commercial failures*
- 33. Systematic financial crisis*
- 34. Industrial accidents nuclear*
- 35. Industrial accidents non nuclear*
- 36. Major fires*

Societal Risks

- Industrial action
- Widespread public disorder





Overview of the Crisisboardroom® Kit -











Crisisboardroom® SOP:

- Full Instructions on how to use the Crisisboardroom[®] Kit
- Description of the Crisis Command Process
- Stocktake list
- How to order consumable parts of the Kit







Contents:

Tool Kit Stationery **Business Recovery Team ID Press Kit** Site Recovery Team ID Finance Kit Investigation Kit **Command Kit Command Boards Business Recovery Boards** Site Recovery Boards



Command Kit:

- ID Vests and Badges for Gold and Silver Commanders
- Role cards for concise 'To Do' Lists
- Command Decision Log (discoverable document)
- Stopwatch
- Gold Commander notepad







Press Kit:

- Template Press Holding Statements (1 – 5 for use during first 12 hours)
- Template Internal Colleague Statements (stress the need not to comment or speculate)
- Crisis Communication Guidance document Do's and Don'ts
- Company Information Sheet Pack
- Black Tie for male spokesperson





Finance Kit:

- Petty cash Book
- Receipts Book
- Accountancy Pad
- Cash box
- Receipts/invoices pack
- Calculator
- Pre-authorised PO Pack







Investigation Kit:

- Investigation guidance document
- Witness statement pad
- Hazard Tape for cordoning off
- Investigation PPE overalls, gloves, shoes covers
- Head torch
- Evidence bags







Stationery and ToolKit:

Stationery:
 Blue Tack, Board Marker Pens,
 Board Cleaner, Highlighters, Post it
 pads, notebooks, Pens, Ruler, etc

 Tool – Empty Yours to fill with BCP plans, site diagrams, customer lists, MSDS Sheets, etc





TOOL KIT

Quick Start Boards
 First boards out of the Kit



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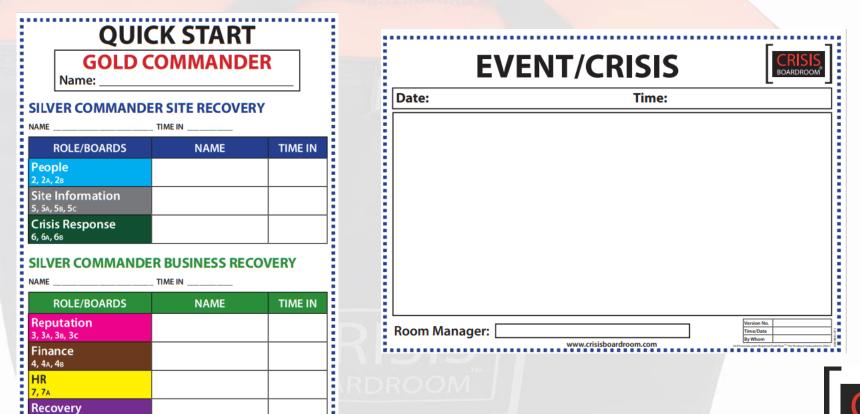


Quick Start Boards

8, 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E

Finish Time

Start Time



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Command Boards

For Command Summary in Gold Commanders Room



Initial Actions

- Place all relevant CRISISBOARDROOM®
 Command Boards onto the walls of the Crisis
 Command Room
- Locate and start the CRISISBOARDROOM® Log
- Assist Gold Commander (GC) with any admin needs
- Complete the CRISISBOARDROOM® Command Boards with the initial information available
- · Attach GC warning entry sign to door

Priorities

- Complete the CRISISBOARDROOM® Log as directed by the GC
- Maintain and update all CRISISBOARDROOM®
 Command Boards and take photographic evidence prior to any alterations on the boards
- Ensure no unnecessary interruptions are made in the room during the crisis

General Responsibilities

- Provide admin support for the GC
- Maintain the CRISISBOARDROOM® Log throughout the entire crisis

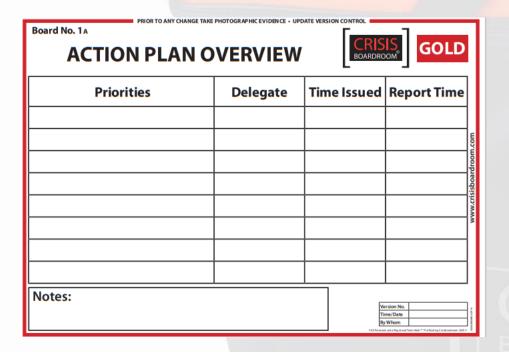


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Command Boards



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GOLD COMMAND ROOM

KNOCK AND WAIT



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Site Recovery Boards

Contains Site Recovery Boards and Role cards for each member of the Site Recovery Team



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• Site Recovery Boards (14)



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Business Recovery Boards

Contains Site Business Boards and Role cards for each member of the Site Recovery Team

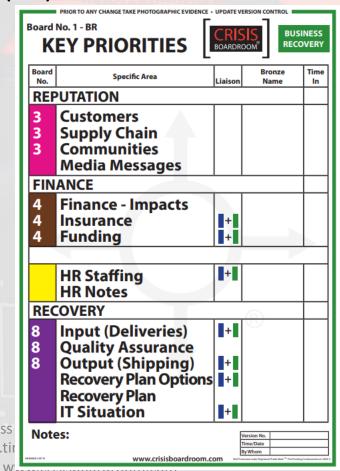


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Business Recovery Boards (19)





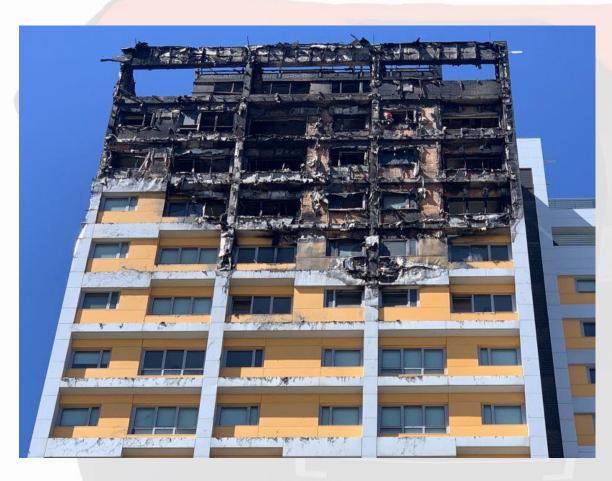


How to Take Command Using the Crisisboardroom® Kit -





Fire Crisis in a Residential Housing Block-





What you Know . . . Golden Hour

- A large fire has occurred at the Tower Block (one of your buildings)
- All occupants have evacuated. There is a degree of panic.
- Fire Brigade are arriving on the site and the area has been cordoned off with no access at this time.
- Complete status of occupants on site is not known
- Local staff have made a brief mobile call to head office explaining that there is "fire and smoke throughout the building – total chaos"
- Radio 5 Live already have a reporter on site with a mobile phone, giving an eye witness account "Many firefighters are struggling to contain a major blaze at the Tower Block"

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- What has happened?
- Who is in Command, what is the Command structure?
- What is the current status of people, assets, processes?
- What are the priorities now?
- Who, How and What should we be communicating?



What you Know . . . Day 1, the morning after

- A large fire has occurred at the Tower Block (one of your buildings)
- Several occupants unaccounted for, assumed missing
- Fire has been extinguished, however extensive damage.
 70+ tons of firefighting water in the building. Smoke and heat damage.
- Denial of return to homes for all occupants (min 3 months for 50% of flats)
- Local staff confronted with angry residents demanding action
- Very adverse negative press and media, social media drawing parallels with Grenfell

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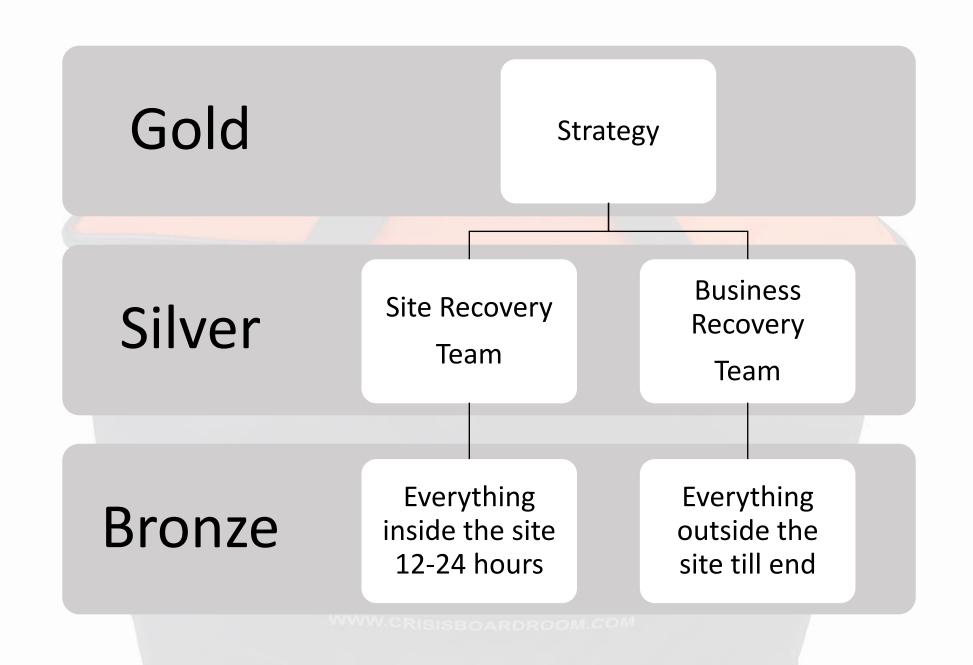


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How it Works

- Following the declaration of a crisis, the first person to arrive opens the CRISISBOARDROOM kit and displays Command Boards in a suitable location
- Start CRISISBOARDROOM log
- Best available information at the time is entered onto the boards for inspection as other team members arrive
- Checklists and team roles are distributed and response starts immediately as 'first actions' are clearly detailed
- Initial Press Release template is populated with information and made available for circulation
- CRISISBOARDROOM kit tool and accessories are unpacked and deployed





Hi Russ

I carry this kit in the back of my vehicle, the case is easy to move around on its wheels.

I utilised the crib sheet for an emergency where we had a ground floor water flood to our XXXX office, this was a small emergency and involved a small limited response team.

I also used the crib sheet in advance of running a full emergency response team meeting to deal with the current pandemic at a meeting at our head office in XXXXX, the information supplied in the kit allowed me to be fully prepped in advance of the meeting, not being an expert myself at dealing with disasters, it was a great help in making sure that I covered all aspects that I needed to cover within the meeting.

Yes happy for you to quote me.

Thanks Rowland



Case study

Brazilian Truck Driver's Strike, June 2018

- 4 sites impacted and BCPs activated.
- Crisisboardroom resources were used.
- Crisis was escalated through local, ABO and CAMP structures.
- Strong communication resulted in:
 - 187 Air Shipments being moved during strike.
 - 87 Ocean Shipments moved within 5 days.
 - 333 outbound invoices were collected within 2 days.







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