

Response to Storm Éowyn

This Council formally acknowledges the exceptional response of our first responders, Council staff and emergency services partners following the severe storm that struck Midlothian on 24th January 2025 with winds, recorded by us at Hillend, reaching 119 mph.

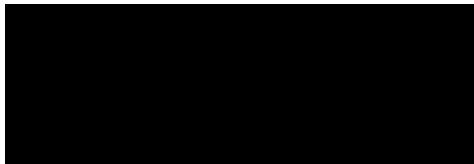
Notes that the storm posed significant risks to both lives and property, but the swift, focused, and coordinated efforts of our dedicated staff ensured the safety of our residents. From emergency services to Council teams managing power cuts, fallen trees, those services looking after our most vulnerable children, adults and older people and communication to the public, every aspect of the response was handled with care, professionalism and efficiency.

Further notes that despite the extreme conditions, many staff members went above and beyond to assist those in need, and their commitment to the community was truly outstanding. Their tireless work under challenging circumstances was critical in preventing any fatalities or major injuries.

This Council is proud of the resilience, teamwork, and dedication displayed by all those involved in the response. We extend our heartfelt gratitude for their service, which is a testament to their professionalism and commitment to public safety.

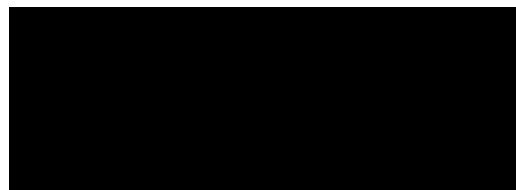
This Council formally recognises and celebrates these efforts to ensure that our staff are publicly commended for their hard work and dedication.

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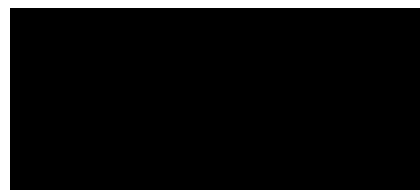


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Friday 7 February 2025