

## Glancing Back and Looking Forward.

We are indebted to our members who have provided venues and quite often lunches for attendees at our forum events. We would like to thank our members who have presenting on a given topic. Thanks also to all of you who have participated in discussions and helped further the knowledge of business continuity. We hope that by maintaining these free, short events we can continue to spread interest in Business Continuity to the business and voluntary communities in Suffolk.

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The last Forum event was:  
**Producing a BIA**

For a copy of the presentation and workbook, go to our web site:

[http://www.suffolkresilience.com/business\\_continuity/business\\_continuity\\_forum.html](http://www.suffolkresilience.com/business_continuity/business_continuity_forum.html)

Rick and I would like to thank Phil Dibbin at Willis for providing the excellent venue and lunch.

## Recap on the past year 09/10

**We ran four events** aimed at building resilience and emergency preparedness in the business and voluntary sectors. In Spring last year we held a workshop in Bury St Edmunds on Supply Chain Resilience to reflect the current economic downturn. This was followed by the Flood Fair at Felixstowe in October. The next two events tied in to the newsletter themes of business continuity lifecycle; Planning a BC Exercise (Jan 10) and our last one of the year on How to Build a Business Impact Assessment (April 10). We would like to thank our members at BT Adastral Park and Willis respectively for hosting these events.

**We produced four newsletters.** Spring 09 featured Pandemic Flu Planning and the following three on aspects of the BC lifecycle; BC Management; Incident Management and Training and Awareness. All these are available for download on the Suffolk resilience web site.

## What else do we do?

We are always looking for ways to spread awareness on business continuity. As well as the events for the Suffolk Resilience BC Forum we have presented to other business forums and chambers, produced flyers that went into the business rates and written articles for business publications including a case study for the Business Continuity Institute. We also ran three events across the county for residential care homes.

If you would like us to present on a business continuity topic to your business group, do drop an email to the address below.

## Events for the year ahead

The aim of our forum is to encourage organisations in Suffolk to become more resilient to disruptive events by embracing the concept of business continuity into the organisation's structure.

Our next event in July on resilience and recovery is detailed below. The event in October will be an exercise where participants can take part in a table top exercise. This will build on what was learnt at the Planning an Exercise event in January.

We would welcome suggestions from our members on future half day workshops.

We would welcome new members from across the business and voluntary sectors that have an interest in emergency planning and business Continuity.



## Forthcoming Forum Events

If you can host a future forum event or would like to book this free event below, please give Lesley Fayers a call on 01473 264099 or email [Lesley.fayers@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:Lesley.fayers@suffolk.gov.uk) Details of all our events can be found on our web site [www.suffolkresilience.com](http://www.suffolkresilience.com) following the link to business continuity where you will find the link to the forum.

## Services and Products that Add Resilience or Aid Recovery

21<sup>st</sup> July 2010 09:45 – 12:45 followed by lunch

UCS, Waterfront Bldg, Neptune Quay, Ipswich, Suffolk IP4 1QJ

Presentations confirmed so far:

- Community resilience
- The merits of using a BC consultant
- Information boxes
- Understanding flood risk

This event focuses on businesses that provide a product or service that adds resilience to an organisation or aids recovery after an incident. If you would like to attend or take part either by presenting on a subject or having a stand then please get in touch.

This event is free and lunch will be provided.

<http://www.ucs.ac.uk/contact/findUs.aspx>