



## All Cannings and Villages Neighbourhood First Responders

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# Serving the Community

**All Cannings and Villages Neighbourhood First Responders are still here supporting you and your community.**

The winter months have been surprisingly quiet unlike last year which was our busiest time. We are now operating with five members and two fully functional emergency kits covering Bishop Cannings, All Cannings, Chirton and Woodborough areas. We are operating with a coverage rate of 40-50% per month which varies per month, response time at 6-10minutes from despatch. *We also cover the surrounding areas of Etchilhampton, Coate, Horton, Marden, Alton Barnes and Stanton.*

At the end of this year we hope to raise \$2000+ to obtain a third kit for the community, so any local support, donations or sponsorship is most welcome.

There have been several occasions this year where members of the community have knocked on the doors of local responders asking for help – please remember to call 999 when there is an emergency as it is the Ambulance Service that will despatch us.

Finding your house is also a major challenge in rural communities, so please ensure you display your signs and numbers clearly and meet the emergency services on arrival  
It saves huge amounts of time!

Next month we will be equipped with new ambulance radio and pager systems, this will assist and improve our operations and communication with the Ambulance Service.

**We are still looking for a volunteer fund raiser for the group.**  
Someone perhaps with sometime on their hands, who would like to support our voluntary effort by helping to raise our profile, fund raise, collect donations, source sponsorship and general group support.  
If interested, then please give us a call.

We work along side the Great Western Ambulance Service NHS Trust supporting them and supporting you.

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