

Resilience Tour

During October and November 2022, we held workshops with communities members across the Shire. The purpose of the Community Resilience Scorecard Project is to support people, communities, organisations and businesses to understand their risks and role, and encourage resilience actions to improve community outcomes after natural hazards.

What did we learn?

Some of the insights we heard were:

- there is strong community cohesion and connection 'we want to know that everyone is okay'
- the community is getting older and therefore more vulnerable
- we know where to access information e.g. the Douglas Disaster Dashboard, the Bureau of Meteorology
- during a bad flood Daintree Village can be isolated for a few days, and the surrounding valleys for a week or two
- isolation and fragmentation can mean we don't always know how people fared after flooding or a severe weather event
- there are long term residents here who know what to do and what to expect. Some are vulnerable and the community sticks together to help





During the workshop we learned that that not all community members feel the same about natural hazards. Some were nervous about the next 'big one', while for others, it was less of a concern. Most community members believed that the Daintree Village and surrounding communities are resilient but thought there were things they could be doing differently as individuals, households and neighbours to be better prepared, especially understanding the increased vulnerability.

Next steps

The scorecards are being drafted and will include the stories shared at the workshops. The scorecards will inform updates to the Douglas Local Disaster Management Plan.

What if I missed the first round of workshops?

If you were unable to attend our 2022 workshops and can add to what we learned, please email disaster@douglas.qld.gov.au.

A second round of engagement to present the draft scorecards is planned for April/May 2023. Please register contact details disaster@douglas.qld.gov.au if you would like to be informed about the dates.

For more information, please visit Council's website (scan the QR code or douglas.qld.gov.au/douglas-community-disaster-resilience-strategy) to learn more about the Community Resilience Scorecards project or call 1800 026 318

