

What to do in the aftermath of severe storms in Ansty....



Planning for emergencies is an important job for the professional organisations who respond to incidents, but it is also important for local communities like Ansty to think about how we may be able to assist the emergency services and other responders.

Severe storms can lead to a whole host of local problems – other than power cuts, flooding, water supply etc. The aftermath of very severe weather is often worse than the storm itself. Once the storms have passed fallen trees or branches; water born debris; deep snow; broken glass; dead animals; contaminated water from raw sewage are just a few of several issues likely to arise. It is possible that some issues can be dealt with by local parishioners but often we will require a professional service to sort it out.

✓ **Best advice is to stay indoors until the storm has passed unless you are in immediate danger. If you are then call 999.**

✓ After the storm has passed and it is safe to do so: **Assess the damage or difficulties.**

✓ Seek professional help and advice from:

Wiltshire Council (tap logo)

✓ Report an issue on the [MY WILTSHIRE APP](#) which you can also download on to your phone: [DO IT NOW](#) – You might be glad of it later! Please note Wiltshire Council will only deal with fallen trees/branches etc. on Council Owned and Maintained Land. Otherwise, you will have to go and seek a private contractor. (e.g., a local tree surgeon) – make enquiries and note below for future reference:

✓ Contact [Wiltshire Council Streets and street care](#) for issues such as snow clearance; gritting; dead animals on public land; street cleaning etc.

Lastly – print this page off – If the problem of storm damage is widespread and you have a neighbour or two who might find difficulty accessing this information – then please keep an ‘eye out’ for them!