

Short form checklist for action pursuant to s330

1.	Does the local authority have jurisdiction for the natural and physical resource / area which is affected / likely to be affected?	
2	Is there an adverse effect on the environment which requires immediate preventive measures?	
	<i>Or:</i> Is there an adverse effect on the environment which requires immediate remedial measures?	
	<i>Or:</i> Is there any sudden event causing, or likely to cause, loss of life, injury, or serious damage to property?	
3	Will the relevant adverse effect / sudden event be affecting (or be likely to affect) a public work, natural and physical resource, or area over which the council has jurisdiction? (Judgment must be objective and that of a reasonable local authority acting in the particular circumstances.)	
4	What action should be undertaken? Should the cause of the emergency be removed?	
	<i>Or:</i> Should action be taken to mitigate any actual or likely adverse effect of the emergency?	
5	Is the action to be taken " <i>immediately necessary and sufficient</i> " or does it go further than this?	

Note: Action under s330 should only be taken after very careful consideration, and in some cases the local authority should obtain legal advice. Completion of the checklist is not a substitute for legal advice but will assist the council's lawyer to provide advice.