

Government support

Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) – Humanitarian Assistance Unit

DCMS are the Government department responsible for the planning of memorial services, anniversary events and permanent memorials. Tessa Jowell was formally appointed by the Prime Minister to be the lead minister in ensuring that Humanitarian Assistance services are delivered quickly and effectively to all those affected by major incidents. The minister works with all the relevant Government departments involved in aftercare, and is responsible for improving the Government's humanitarian response and aftercare provision in the future.

Department for Communities and Local Government

Responsible for London's regional resilience team and the country's fire service, DCLG supports local government authorities to ensure that, following incidents, support services are in place and available to residents.

Department of Health

Responsibility for hospitals and the ambulance service, local health authorities and patient care, as well as psychological support and counselling services around the country.

Home Office

The lead department on policing and terrorist incidents within the UK, the Home Office is also responsible for UK compensation - CICA, and support for all UK victims of crime.

Department for Work and Pensions

The department can give advice on social security benefits, pensions and child support matters. Anyone needing advice on such matters should contact their nearest DWP office.

More information is available at www.direct.gov.uk