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Subject:	An initial response to the Community Resilience Profile

1.0	Introduction
1.1	<p>About 10 years ago Leatid (a branch of the Joint Distribution Committee – the JDC) were invited by UJIA to come to Leeds. Their review of the community led to the creation of a strategic plan which formed Susie Gordon’s community development role.</p> <p>At the suggestion of UJIA UK Programmes, they were invited back to review the community and revise the strategy.</p> <p>After an initial visit to Leeds, the JDC agreed that Leeds should be part of The Community Resilience pilot scheme which is part of JDC strategy for Europe (with Athens, Rome, and Strasbourg). It includes Pan European and local initiatives looking at how to help local organisations to become stronger, sustainable, and more attractive to Jews.</p> <p>Susie Gordon and Laurence Saffer have since been working with David Gidron, who is running the program locally as a consultant. He spent 3 days in August 2016 meeting various members of the community and in December 2016 produced the draft report entitled ‘Community Resilience Profile (CRP) of the Leeds Jewish Community’.</p> <p>David, and his colleague Russell Wolkind, will now look at how we agree to move this forward to create and implement a new community strategy.</p>
2.0	Next Step
2.1	To give the CRP further depth, we propose that a community survey be created to get as much feedback as possible about what the community wants and needs (mentioned on p.14).
2.2	To agree the key topics which will form the areas with the revised strategic plan: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Communal Leadership 2) Organisational Competence 3) Communications 4) Values and mission statement 5) Narrative 6) Sense of Community 7) Social Capital 8) Preparedness and Security 9) Economic Sufficiency

2.3 To review the results from the CRP and community survey and agree on key projects and the resources and budgets to manage these within an agreed time scale.

To ensure each project can be evaluated by agreeing on:

- What are we going to do?
- What is the purpose/goal?
- Who needs to be involved?
- What are the projected costs?
- Who is the target audience?
- What are the desired outcomes?
- How will we measure success?

2.4 Resourcing: Agree who should be involved by seeking to engage as many within the community as possible while having focus.

It is suggested that we have the following:

LJRC Strategic Committee

Purpose: Act as a scrutiny board for all current and new strategic projects. Assist with problem solving, decision making and support the implementation of community projects.

LJRC Younger Strategic Committees

Purpose: to agree on and propose new project ideas to the strategic committee for approval that will benefit an organisation(s) or the community as a whole. Get more involved in community development and feel empowered to help make a difference.

LJRC Executive

Purpose: Chairs/CEOs of all our main organisations to discuss organisational issues, challenges, achievements, ideas, to enable the creation of a more coordinated and collaborative approach to all new developments within each of our main organisations.

Past presidents of LJRC and other major communal organisations and major communal figures

Purpose: to provide the expertise and wisdom of many generations of leadership.