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A behind the scenes Instagram and Twitter take-over of the Joint Emergency Services Control Centre will mark this year's Emergency Services Day.

The UK initiative began in 2017 and is a chance for all Emergency Services to be celebrated.

To showcase the work of all emergency services, the Bailiwick Law Enforcement Instagram and Guernsey Police Twitter feed will broadcast from JESSCC from 11am for several hours to give a snapshot of what the services undertake on a regular day and we encourage everyone to follow us so they can see for themselves what goes on.

Lieutenant-Governor Vice Admiral Sir Ian Corder said:

"I'm delighted that the Bailiwick is marking 999 Day. Together, the men and women of all our Emergency Services make a vitally important contribution to our quality of life here in the islands. Both full-time staff and volunteers, and their families, make considerable personal sacrifices so that the rest of us can live and work in a safe and secure environment. It's all too easy to forget that, but today is a good opportunity to let them know how much we appreciate what they do."

Head of Bailiwick Law Enforcement Ruari Hardy said:

"'999' day allows us to highlight the professional way in which all our emergency services work collectively to look after our communities across the Bailiwick. The work in Guernsey is co-ordinated through Joint Emergency Services Control Centre and this also includes our emergency response working with The Coastguard and a host of other agencies. Bailiwick Law Enforcement consisting of The Police, Guernsey Border Agency and Trading Standards play a vital role in keeping our communities safe. I would like to take the opportunity to thank all those working across our public services for all they do, although we live in a small community the scope of work undertaken by '999'

services is impressive. This includes those who work behind the scenes making sure front line staff have the support, equipment and technology they need to undertake their work, this is truly a team effort. The Bailiwick should be very proud of the dedicated people working across all our emergency services. Thank you for all you do.”

Chief Fire Officer Jon Le Page said:

“999 Day is a fantastic initiative which allows us to thank those who make sure that 365 days a year, 24 hours a day, should you need help, they are there to provide it. This year has seen us cope with unique challenges, with fire crews split over two sites in order to keep the frontline service operational. Firefighters have assisted Guernsey Border Agency with visiting and making calls to those who are self-isolating to protect our community from Covid-19.

“Over the years we have coped with many different scenarios and emergencies – as our name change to the Guernsey Fire & Rescue Service suggests, we deal with far more than just fires. Our education programme, smoke alarm installation and building inspections – among other areas of work – form a vital part of how we deal with emergencies, by trying to prevent them from happening in the first place.

“As we take time to thank everyone in the emergency services, I want to pay personal tribute to my staff for everything they have and will continue to do.”

Chief Ambulance Officer Mark Mapp said:

“999 Day gives us an opportunity to thank all of our emergency services for the work they do all year round. I would particularly like to thank the team at the Emergency Ambulance Service for their ongoing commitment and professionalism. This year has seen our ambulance clinicians working under some challenging circumstances, but the dedication of everyone involved deserves credit. During the Covid-19 crisis, we were helped by the St John volunteers who joined the decontamination team and gave their time to deep clean ambulances in the pandemic. We also had a huge amount of support from the community, both from individuals and businesses, in the form of food parcels, donations and messages. We know that islanders appreciate what we and our 999 colleagues do and we are very lucky in Guernsey that most people use the ambulance service responsibly. St John has a long history of serving islanders, including through the Occupation, so today we also reflect on the service given by all of those who have come before us. If you need an ambulance, day or night, we are there to respond to medical emergencies, serious injuries and life-threatening conditions.”

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