

Strengthening community resilience

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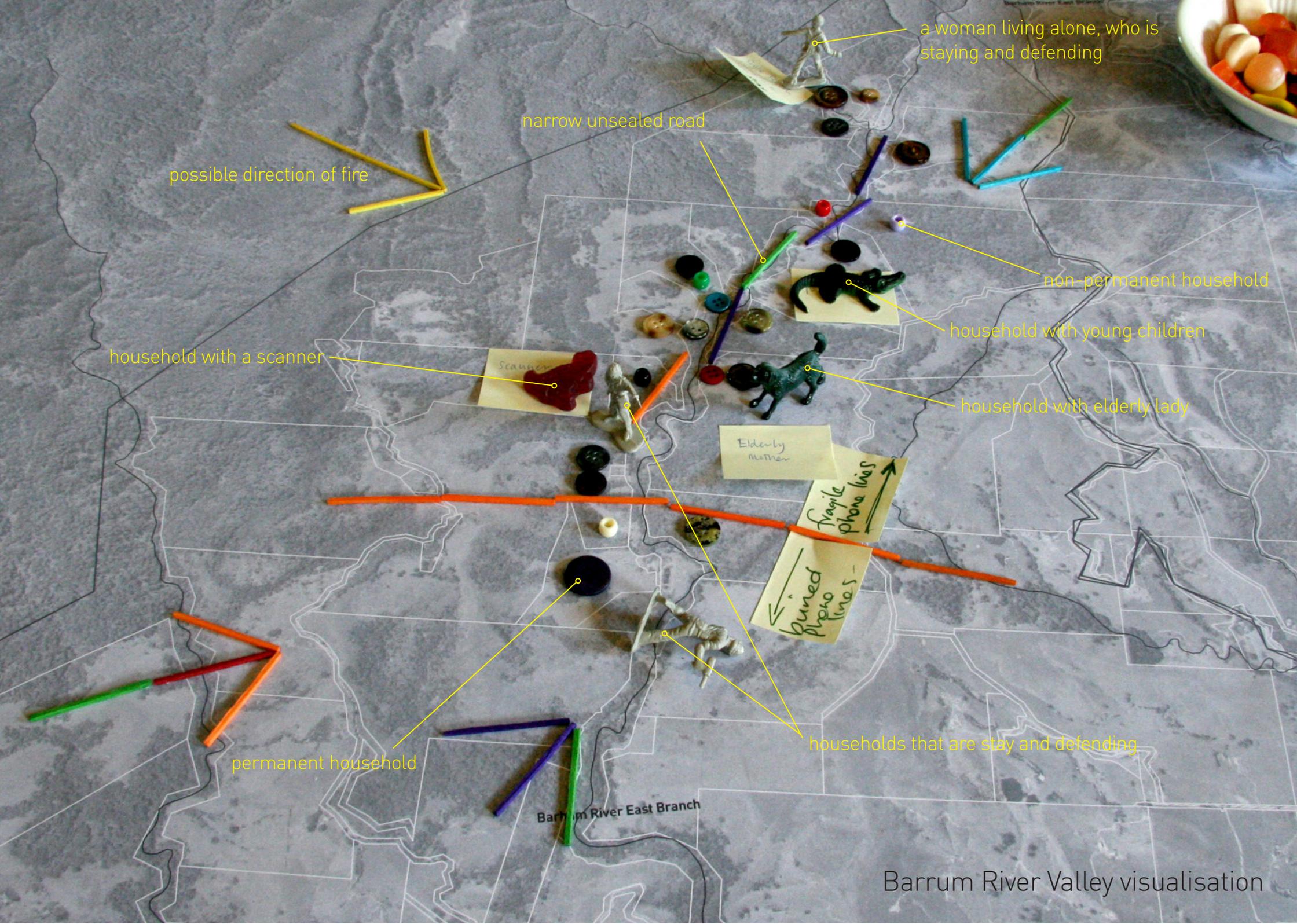
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**be
prepared**





a woman living alone, who is staying and defending

narrow unsealed road

possible direction of fire

non-permanent household

household with young children

household with elderly lady

household with a scanner

Scanner

Elderly mother

fragile phone lines
buried phone lines

households that are stay and defending

permanent household

Barrum River East Branch

Barrum River Valley visualisation

**You don't
hear any
fire warning**

Don't rely on hearing an ^{official}  warning. Listen, watch
a smell the surrounding
area / atmosphere for
other signs of fire. Animals &
plants, as well as air, can
provide signals



Strengthening connection: Pat, Shirley and others forming their CFG group

Hands-on learning session (one hour)

- Introduction to Playful Triggers - 15min
- Introduction to Scenario cards -15 min
- Swap around - 20 min
- Experience the method to prompt further thinking
- Last 10min to reflect on the activities + feedback

Please also refer to the Social Network visualisation handout

Map your local social network - break into pairs

Participant

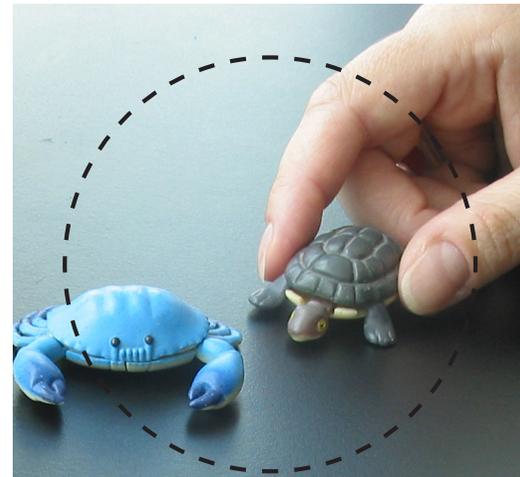
- visualise your social network based on where you live
eg. friends, neighbours, colleagues, groups of interest etc.
- show characteristic of relationships using objects + placement

Facilitator

- Assist with their recall - create a 'key'
- Guide them through the mapping process
- Help them determine how to visualise 'more' or 'less'
- Observe what is being revealed about their relationships

Let's start with you + your household members in the middle.

Choose any animal to represent you - don't worry too much about what those animals might symbolise. Its just so you and the facilitator can remember.



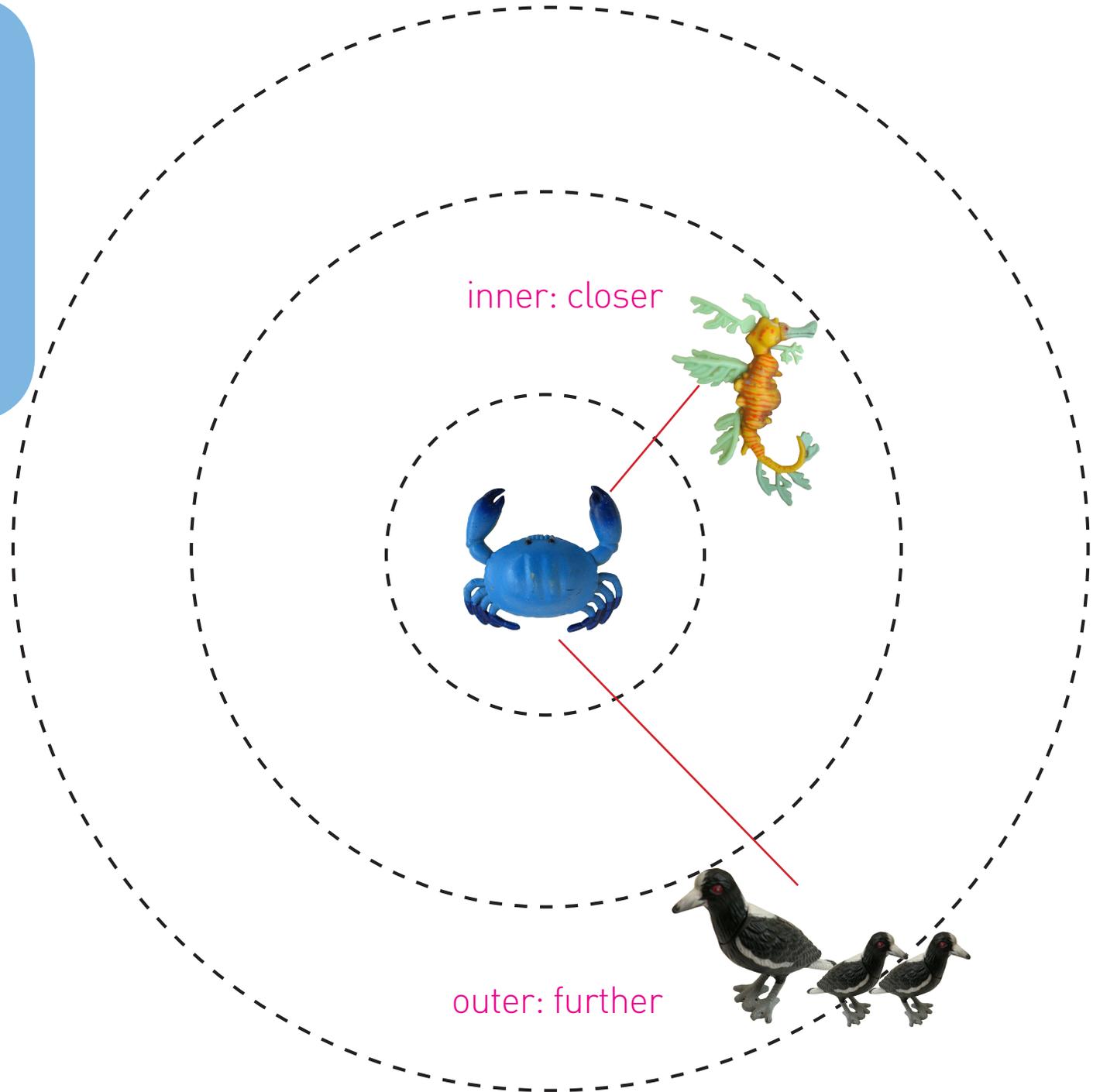
you & your household members

Who are people you see most often in your town?

Choose an animal for each person and place if they live:

close neighbourhood - inner ring

further away - outer ring



Facilitator: help visualise these qualities

- **contact**

use more matchsticks if you see someone more frequently, or use different coloured ones to denote different frequencies

- **trust**

add buttons if you trust them more

- **accessibility**

add plastic beads if you are able to reach them easily

- **resourcefulness in a disaster**

add more pebbles if you think they are more resourceful

- **vulnerable in a disaster**

add glass beads if you are more concerned about them in an emergency

Imagine this scenario: an unexpected fire in your local area

Participant

- using the cards as prompts, think through the scenarios
- think about these scenarios in relation to your social network that you mapped
- write down what you will do to get around the situation

Facilitator

- help and assist, ask questions to prompt
- suggest ideas if participant is stuck with a scenario
- lead discussion on how they could be more prepared

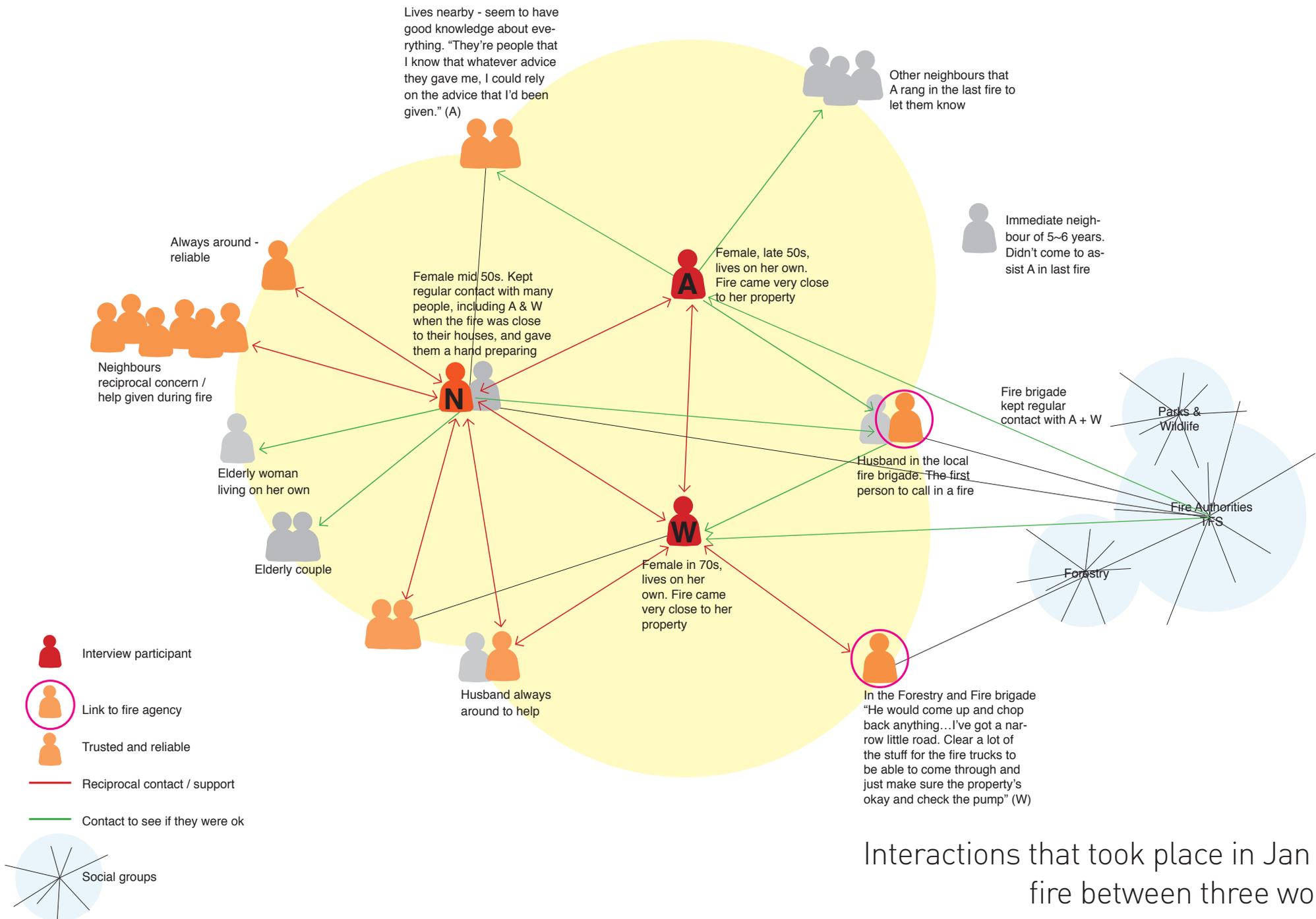
Reflect on your experience of doing this exercise on your table (10min)

Playful Triggers and social networks

- What was revealing and insightful?
- What was challenging / difficult?
- How might you apply this in your own context?

'What if' scenario cards

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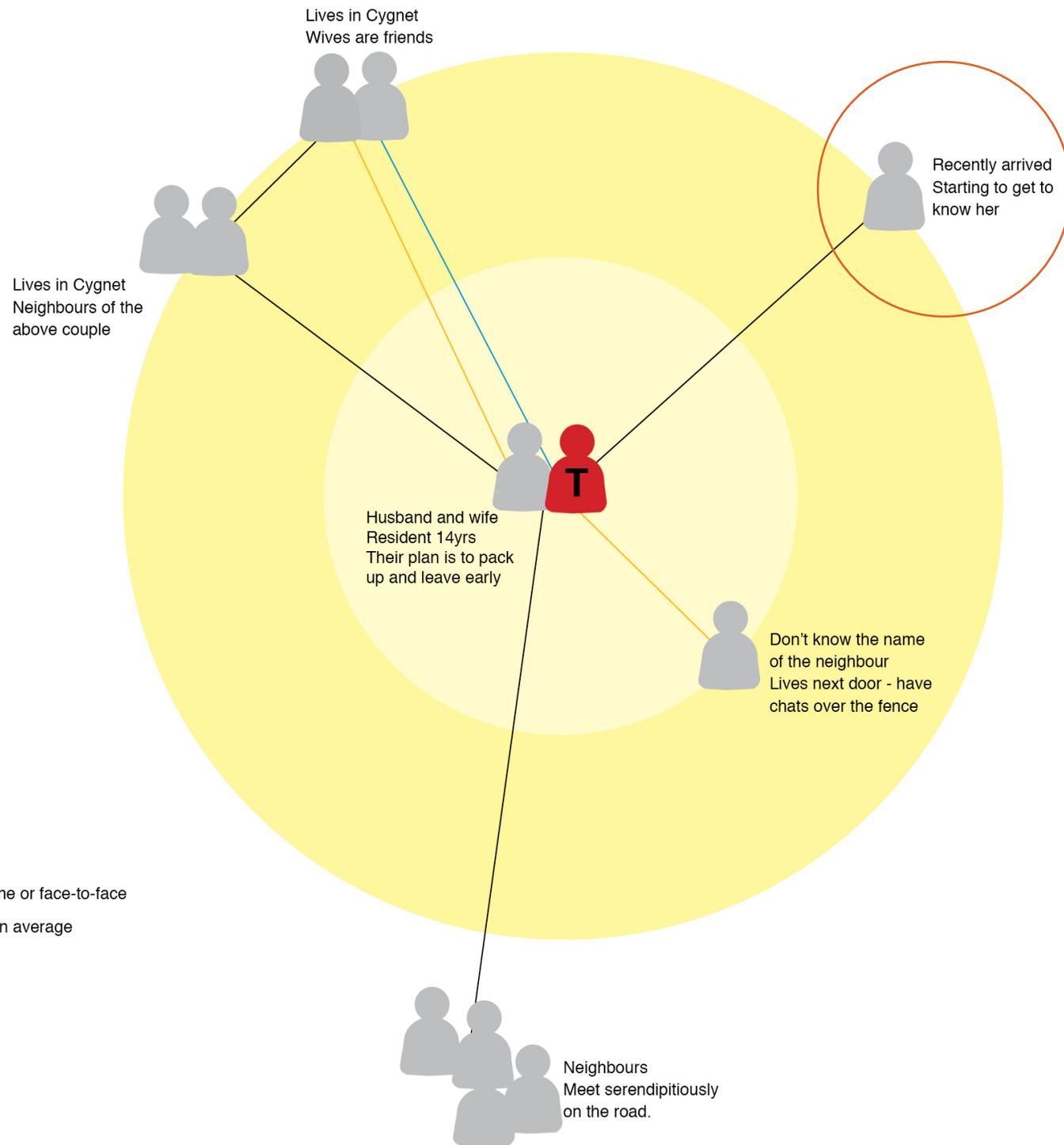


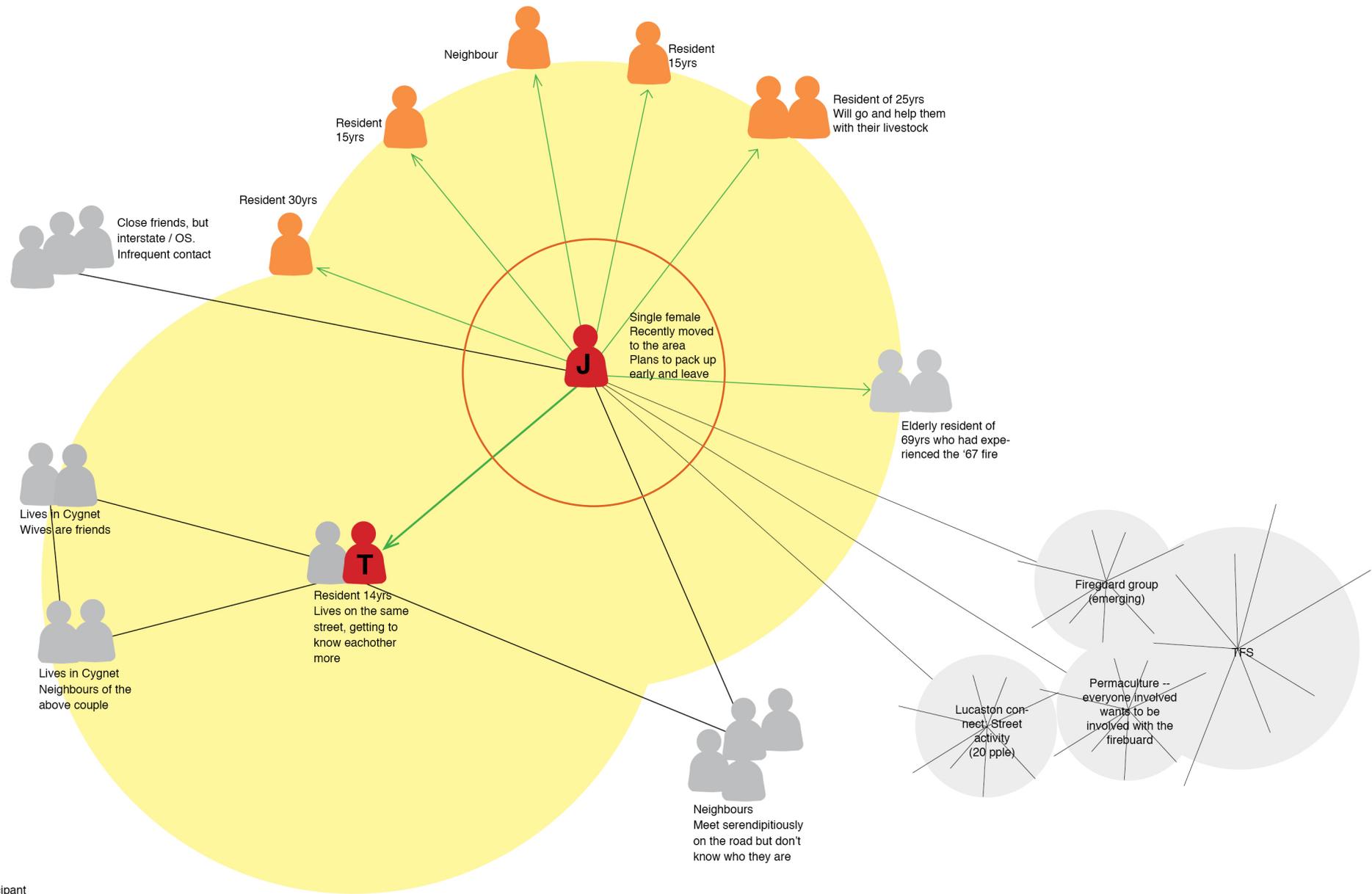
Interactions that took place in Jan 2010 fire between three women

 Interview participant

 Frequent contact - phone or face-to-face

 Contact once a week on average





Female J's proactive bridging role, 'pulling' male T into her network

Thank you!

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