

Appointment of Local Recovery Manager for the Hurunui District

From: Mayor Winton Dalley

1. Purpose

The purpose of this report is to appoint a Local Recovery Manager for the Hurunui District.

2. Recommendation

That the Canterbury Civil Defence Emergency Management Joint Committee initially appoint Simon Hart to the role of Interim Local Recovery Manager for the Hurunui District until 18 December 2016 and appoint Paul Wylie as Local Recovery Manager for the Hurunui District from 19 December 2016

3. Background

3.1 Hurunui District Council declared a local state of emergency at 11.56am on 14 November 2016 as a result of the Culverden 7.8 Earthquake and subsequent aftershocks.

3.2 A local declaration covering the CDEM Group was subsequently put in place at 12 noon on 15 November 2016. Following subsequent time extensions, the local declaration lapsed on Tuesday 6 December 2016.

3.3 Hurunui District Council began planning its recovery arrangements almost immediately following the earthquake with a significant focus on a community centric recovery with local leadership.

3.4 Simon Hart from Waimakariri District Council has overseen the development and implementation of the Hurunui District's recovery plan since the earthquake. His assistance in this role has been invaluable and we are indebted to Waimakariri District Council for the assistance they have provided.

3.5 Paul Wylie has been identified as an appropriate candidate for the Local Recovery Manager's role on an ongoing basis. Paul lives in the district and has significant experience in the local government sector. Due to prior commitments Paul was unable to commence in this role immediately, but is available from 19 December 2016.