

Minutes of the meeting of the Canterbury Civil Defence and Emergency Management Group Joint Committee held at Airport Commodore Hotel, 449 Memorial Avenue, Christchurch on Friday 7 December 2018 at 1.00 pm

Present

Joint Committee:

Ashburton District Council
Environment Canterbury
Hurunui District Council
Kaikoura District Council
Mackenzie District Council
Selwyn District Council
Timaru District Council
Waimakariri District Council
Waimate District Council

Mayor Donna Favel
Councillor John Sunckell
Mayor Winton Dalley
Mayor Winston Gray
Mayor Graham Smith
Mayor Sam Broughton
Mayor Damon Odey
Mayor David Ayers
Mayor Craig Rowley

CEG Members

Ashburton District Council
Environment Canterbury
Hurunui District Council
Waimakariri District Council
Ministry Civil Defence & Emergency Management
Group Controller
Group Welfare Manager
CDEM Senior Planner

Hamish Riach
Bill Bayfield
Hamish Dobbie
Jim Palmer
Peter Cameron
Neville Reilly
Jessica Petersen
Gavin Treadgold

In attendance

Mackenzie District Council
Environment Canterbury (minutes)

Deputy Mayor, James Leslie
Louise McDonald

1. Welcome

Deputy Chair Councillor John Sunckell welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies

An apology was received from Mayor Lianne Dalziel.

3. Conflicts of interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

4. Minutes of previous meeting

Refer to page 1 of the agenda.

Resolved

That the minutes of the meeting held on 7 September 2018 be received and adopted.

Mayor Smith / Mayor Rowley
CARRIED

5. Matters arising from the minutes

Item 14 – Delivering Better Responses to Natural Disasters and Other Emergencies – Government Response to the Technical Advisory Group’s Recommendations

Neville Reilly advised that an invitation had been made to the Minister and the Ministry to attend a meeting to discuss the Technical Advisory Group’s Recommendations. They were not available to attend this meeting so a date in 2019 will be arranged.

6. Canterbury Lifelines Utilities Report

Refer to page 7 of the agenda.

Gerard Cleary presented a report on Canterbury Region Lifelines Vulnerability Assessment (“Risks & Resilience”). One issue identified in the assessment was some vulnerability due to Transpower’s reliance on its fibre-optic cables and computerised telecommunications network. Transpower are doing a lot of work on this, including as part of the Alpine Fault project (AF8).

All the services are being reviewed and a technical report will be prepared.

Wellington Group have undertaken a significant project to model risks and costs, including the economic benefit of upgrades. It was suggested that Canterbury could look at a similar project.

Resolved

That the Canterbury Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- 1. Receive the report on the Canterbury Region Lifelines Vulnerability Assessment (“Risks & Resilience”) Project.**

Cr John Sunckell / Mayor Odey
CARRIED

7. Ministry of Civil Defence & Emergency Management Update

Refer to page 12 of the agenda.

Peter Cameron presented the Ministry update for November 2018.

He recommended that councils review their financial arrangements if faced with an emergency. Further information is provided in Chapter 33 of the Guide to the National Civil Defence Emergency Management Plan, where eligible costs for Government reimbursement above a threshold are outlined, and the thresholds are defined. (The

Guide to the National Civil Defence Emergency Management Plan is available at <https://www.civildefence.govt.nz/assets/guide-to-the-national-cdem-plan/Guide-to-the-National-CDEM-Plan-2015.pdf>).

Following the emergency mobile alerts tested on 25 November, the Ministry are encouraging people to provide feedback so that the system can continue to be strengthened.

Resolved

That the Canterbury Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- 1. Receive the Ministry of Civil Defence & Emergency Management update report dated November 2018.**

Cr Sunckell / Mayor Smith
CARRIED

8. Appointment of Local Recovery Managers

Refer to page 17 of the agenda.

Neville Reilly presented this report.

Resolved

That the Canterbury Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- 1. Appoint Simon Hart and Charlotte Browne as Canterbury Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Local Recovery Managers.**

Mayor Ayers / Mayor Rowley
CARRIED

9. Appointment of Alternate Group Controller

Refer to page 19 of the agenda

Neville Reilly presented this report.

Resolved

That the Canterbury Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- 1. Appoint Nadeine Dommissie as an Alternate Group Controller to perform the functions and duties and exercise the powers of the Group Controller in the absence from duty of the appointed Group Controller.**

Mayor Favel / Mayor Odey
CARRIED

10. **Service Level Agreement**

Refer to page 21 of the agenda

Neville Reilly presented this report and explained that the only major change to the Service Level Agreement was to increase the financial reserve as previously approved by the Joint Committee.

Resolved

That the Canterbury Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- 1. Adopt the draft Service Level Agreement between Environment Canterbury and Canterbury Civil Defence Emergency Management Group.**

Mayor Dalley / Mayor Gray
CARRIED

11. **Controller's Report**

Refer to page 30 of the agenda

Neville Reilly introduced this report that included the income and expenditure report for the period 1 July to 31 October 2018.

National Resilience Strategy

Gavin Treadgold tabled an overview of the National Disaster Resilience Strategy and a draft feedback submission.

He spoke to a PowerPoint presentation and described the issues raised at the workshop held on 27 November to consider the Strategy. The workshop identified the following points to be included in the feedback:

- Include more on natural and physical resilience;
- Separate response and recovery;
- Encourage more work on including Te Aō Māori and co-creation in future documents;
- there are some gaps in the challenges identified for governance and engagement; and
- the strategy is relatively urban focused.

The draft feedback was supported with the request that more information be included to stress the importance of agriculture and the rural economy for the New Zealand economy.

Resolved

That the Canterbury Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- 1. received the Controller's report.**
- 2. approved the revised plan to replenish the Group Reserve.**
- 3. approve the submission on the draft Natural Disaster Resilience Strategy, as amended, and authorise the Deputy Chair Cr John Sunckell and Co-ordination Executive Chair Bill Bayfield to sign the submission.**

Mayor Broughton / Mayor Rowley
CARRIED

General Business

There was no general business.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Joint Committee will be held on Friday, 1 February 2019.

Councillor John Sunckell thanked members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 1.49pm.

Confirmed

Date: 1/2/2019.

Chairperson: 