

Report 14.417

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Confirmed Minutes of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group, Joint Committee meeting held in the Council Chamber, Upper Hutt City Council, 838 Fergusson Drive Upper Hutt, on Friday 22 August 2014 at 9.05am

Present

Mayor Leggett (Chair)
Mayor Church
Mayor Guppy
Mayor Patterson
Mayor Wade-Brown
Mayor Wallace (from 10.00am)
Councillor Wilde

(Porirua City Council)
(Kapiti Coast District Council)
(Upper Hutt City Council)
(Masterton District Council)
(Wellington City Council)
(Hutt City Council)
(Greater Wellington Regional Council)

1 Apologies

Moved

(Mayor Leggett / Cr Wilde)

That the CDEM Group accepts the apologies for absence from Mayors Mark and Staples and for Mayor Wallace's delayed arrival.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

2 Public participation

John Hamilton, Director, Ministry of Civil Defence and Emergency Management presented long service awards to three current WREMO staff members: Dave Jack, Adrian Glenn, and Rian van Schalkwyk. The Awards are presented for ten years Civil Defence Emergency Management service at the local or national level.

The Chair acknowledged John Hamilton's pending retirement and thanked him for his leadership of the sector plus his active support for work programmes undertaken by the Wellington CDEM Group.

Andrew Laing from the Lions Club of Kapiti gave a presentation on the Lions Long Walk Home Project. The project was initiated last year to heighten awareness of the possibility that many commuters may have to walk 50 km home from Wellington city to Kapiti following a major disaster. The project will allow people to experience the reality of the walk and promote personal preparedness.

3 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved

(Mayor Leggett / Mayor Wade-Brown)

That the CDEM Group confirms the minutes of the meeting of 20 June 2014, Report 14.344.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

4 New Zealand Fire Service

Paul Smith, on behalf of Peter Dempsey, gave a presentation on the New Zealand Fire Service supporting Civil Defence and Emergency Management in the Wellington Region, using the example of the close liaison and support between the Fire Service and WREMO during the major storm event of June 2013. Mr Smith outlined the structure of the Fire Service and noted that the response capability, in addition to fire fighting, included rescue, containment of hazardous substances, damage limitation and re-distribution of water for health and hygiene. The presentation also highlighted challenges and limitations to response planning as a result of a major earthquake, primarily being water access and geographical isolation.

5 WREMO Annual Report for the period 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014

Bruce Pepperell outlined the key points of the Annual Report for the period 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014. He noted that while the start of the year had been dominated by earthquakes, there were numerous other incidents throughout the year that required considerable monitoring and planning, that did not generate the same public awareness. The launch of the International Centre of Excellence in community resilience was seen to be an important initiative to build on the WREMO brand and establish value adding relationships both within NZ and overseas. WREMO's success in the social media space was also noted, particularly with the 40,000 followers who use social media as a way to engage on emergency management and wider community matters.

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Moved

(Mayor Leggett / Mayor Guppy)

That the CDEM Group:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the contents of the report.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

6 Pre-Disaster Recovery Planning

Bruce Pepperell gave a presentation on Pre-disaster Recovery Planning as a framework for future CDEM planning and decision-making. This would see all actions in support of CDEM being driven by desired Recovery outcomes. To be successful a collaborative approach between local communities, the private sector, and central government would be required, with local government working to engage all three. The resulting discussion centred on the Rockefeller Foundation 100 resilient cities initiative and possible benefits for the region.

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Moved (Mayor Leggett / Mayor Guppy)

That the CDEM Group:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the contents of the report.
- 3. Endorses the proposal for further development of a work programme to be submitted to the Co-ordinating Executive Group on 10 October 2014.
- 4. Directs that a report to the Co-ordinating Executive Group be prepared on the subject of a regional approach to the Rockefeller Foundation Resilient Cities initiative.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

7 Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Appointments

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Moved (Cr Wilde / Mayor Wallace)

That the CDEM Group:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the contents of the report.
- 3. Makes the following new appointments:
 - Neville Brown as Local Controller for Wellington City Council;
 - Jane Hill, Karyn Stillwell, Geoff Swainson and Simon Fleisher as Alternate Local Controllers for Wellington City Council;
 - Greg Orchard, Anthony Wilson, Paul Andrews and Danny McComb as Recovery Managers for Wellington City Council.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

8 Water tanks win Energy Globe Award

Bruce Pepperell advised that the 200 litre rainwater tank project had won the Energy Globe Award for sustainability, for New Zealand. Energy Globe is a prestigious environmental institution with over 161 participating countries. The awards are presented annually to projects focusing on energy efficiency, renewable energies and the conservation of resources.

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Moved

(Mayor Leggett / Mayor Wallace)

That the CDEM Group:

- 1. Receives the report; and
- 2. Notes the receipt of the award.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The meeting closed at 10.25am.

Mayor Nick Leggett Chair, Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Date: