



MINUTES

Taranaki Emergency Management



Committee: Taranaki Emergency Management Group Joint Committee
Date: 24 February 2022, 10.30am
Venue: Taranaki Regional Council Boardroom, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford
Document: 3001096

Present	Councillor	M Cloke	Taranaki Regional Council (<i>Chairman</i>)
	Mayor	N Volzke	Stratford District Council <i>zoom</i>
	Councillors	R Northcott	South Taranaki District Council
		R Jordan	New Plymouth District Council
Attending	Mr	S Ruru	Taranaki Regional Council
	Mr	S Hanne	Stratford District Council
	Mr	T Velvin	Taranaki Emergency Management
	Mr	W Crockett	South Taranaki District Council <i>zoom</i>
	Ms	L Poutu	Tokomaru Representative <i>zoom</i>
	Ms	S Gauden-Ing	Taranaki Emergency Management Office <i>zoom</i>
	Ms	G Campbell	Taranaki District Health Board <i>zoom</i>
	Ms	R Clements	Taranaki District Health Board <i>zoom</i>
	Mr	I Wilson	National Emergency Management Agency <i>zoom</i>
Miss	R Sweeney	Taranaki Regional Council	

Opening Karakia The meeting opened with a Karakia.

Apologies Apologies were received and sustained from Mayor Phil Nixon – South Taranaki District Council and Mayor Neil Holdom – New Plymouth District Council.

Notification of Late Items **There were no late items.**

1. Confirmation of Minutes - 11 November 2021

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes and resolutions of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee held in the Taranaki Regional Council Boardroom, 47 Cloten Street, Stratford on Thursday 11 November 2021 at 10.30am
- b) notes that the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Joint Committee held via zoom on Thursday 11 November 2021 at 10am, have been circulated to the New Plymouth District Council, Stratford District Council and the South Taranaki District Council for their receipt and information.

Cloke/Volzke

Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

2. Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group Minutes - Thursday 10 February 2022

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group Meeting held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers on Thursday 10 February 2022 at 10.30am
- b) adopts the recommendations therein.

Jordan/Volzke

Matters arising

- 2.1 Mr T Velvin, Group Manager, Taranaki Emergency Management Office, advised that the announcement of Kelvin Wrights departure has been identified as a risk, there have been a few people in Council identified that would be appropriate to replace him, Kelvin Wright and Ben Ingram are working to ensure a suitable option is obtained prior to Kelvins departure date of April 2022.

3. Advisory Group Minutes

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the meeting of the Taranaki Seismic and Volcanic Advisory Group (TSVAG) on 25 November 2021.

Cloke/Volzke

Matters arising

3.1 Councillor M J Cloke requested a timeline of engagement of the volcanic response and preparedness, particularly with the rural sector.

4. COVID-19 Update from Taranaki District Health Board

- 4.1 Ms G Campbell, Taranaki District Health Board, spoke to a presentation to update the committee on the COVID-19 Omicron variant, both nationally and in Taranaki.
- 4.2 Mayor N Volzke requested a copy of the presentation be circulated to the committee members.

5. Quarter Two Performance Report 2021-2022

- 5.1 Mr T Velvin, Group Manager, Taranaki Emergency Management Office, spoke to the memorandum to present the Quarter Two Report for 2021 – 2022 to the Taranaki Emergency Management Group Joint Committee.
- 5.2 It was noted that the National Operational Leads at CDEM have now been appointed and will go-live on 7 March 2022.
- 5.3 It was noted that TEMO are providing COVID support to MSD with welfare works and TDHB on RAT distribution across Taranaki
- 5.4 An update on RANA (Needs Assessment Case Software) is near complete, there are a few bugs being worked through with NPDC and it is anticipated to be presented to NEMA early March 2022.
- 5.5 An update was provided on ongoing recovery works after Cyclone Dovi.
- 5.6 An update on the finances and building works was provided, noting the additional licencing funds that are now anticipated. The generator replacement is due to end of life and that a plan will be put in place for the website upgrade once a new communications staff member has been appointed including a cost analysis.
- 5.7 It was decided that Mr I Wilson, National Emergency Management Agency, would report through his channels, the concerns expressed by the committee in regards to the Emergency Management Plans depicted in the Civil Defence bill reform.
- 5.8 Ms L Poutu, Tokomaru Representative, advised that she is a member of the Ministerial Advisors Group for the Trifecta and advised that she would also take back the committees concerns. Noting that the concerns have been raised prior.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the Memorandum, *Quarter Two Performance Report 2021-2022*.

Cloke/Volzke

6. Resignation of David Langford, NPDC Local Controller

- 6.1 Councillor M J Cloke spoke to the memorandum to advise the Taranaki Emergency Management Group Joint Committee of the resignation of Mr David Langford as the Local Controller for New Plymouth District Council and to outline a process for the replacement of this statutory position.

- 6.2 An update was provided in regards to whether Kelvin Wright's move to Venture Taranaki means he can still be a local controller, however it is preferred to have someone internally in that position, it has been proposed that Kelvin becomes a Group Controller.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the Memorandum, *Resignation of David Langford, NPDC Local Controller*
- b) notes that resignation of Mr David Langford from the role of Local Controller
- c) acknowledges the services that Mr David Langford has provided for the Taranaki CDEM Group in his time as controller.

Cloke/Volzke

7. Submission to proposed Critical Infrastructure amendments to Civil Defence Emergency Management Act, Round 2

- 7.1 Mr T Velvin, Group Manager, Taranaki Emergency Management, spoke to the memorandum to present members of the Joint Committee with the Taranaki CDEM Group Submission to the second round of proposed Critical Infrastructure (Lifeline Utilities) amendments to the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act.
- 7.2 It was clarified that the submissions provided were in relation to the entire Trifecta Framework not just the critical infrastructure. The 16 Civil Defence groups submitted feedback noting that the Joint Committee did not submit joint feedback.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the Memorandum *Submission to proposed Critical Infrastructure amendments to Civil Defence Emergency Management Act*
- b) notes and endorses the content of this memorandum and consultation feedback 'Critical Infrastructure proposals for new Emergency Management Bill' contained in Appendix.

Jordan/Northcott

8. National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) Correspondence and Update

- 8.1 Mr I Wilson, National Emergency Management Agency, spoke to the memorandum to provide the Taranaki Emergency Management Group Joint Committee of recent correspondence received from NEMA and to receive an update from NEMA's Senior Regional Emergency Management Advisor.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives and notes the correspondence received from NEMA
- b) receives and notes the verbal update provided by Ian Wilson.

Cloke/Jordan

9. General Business

- 9.1 It was agreed by the Committee that NEMA updates will continue to be provided via a verbal update.

There being no further business the Committee Chairperson M J Cloke thanked attendees and declared the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee Meeting closed at 11.40pm.

Confirmed

Chairperson _____

M J Cloke

19 May 2022