

Minutes of the Pacific Advisory Group meeting, 11 July, 2012.

Time & Venue	6.00 to 8.00 pm, Committee Room 2, Council Offices, Wakefield St.
Present	PAG - Tina McNicholas (Chair), Anthony Leaupepe, Siofilisi Taufu'ou, Sainimili Pouvalu Violet Ekenasio, Martha Samasoni, Fetu Ole Moana Tamapeau, Dan Kauraka, Maria Solouota, Stacey Kokaua- Balfour, Council Officers - Janette Wallace Gedge, Rekha Jatav Visitors – Bridget Duley
Apologies	Cllr Leonie Gill, Cllr Ian McKinnon, Cllr Paul Eagle, Malakai Jiko, Manuila Tausi,

Welcome	Tina Mc Nicholas welcomed everyone
Opening Prayer	Anthony Leaupepe
Councillor update	Councillor Leonie Gill had sent apologies with a request to update members. Long Term Plan now adopted,
Earthquake Resilience Presentation by Neville Brown, Programme Director, Earthquake Resilience Wellington City Council	Slides from presentaiton attached as appendix. Neville's presentaiton was designed to respond to the questions PAG members had asked. Items to note: The Council has had a robust and extensive Earthquake Resilience programme Buildings for some year, well before the events in CHCH. Buildings pre 1976 may well be constructed with unreinforced masonry. Things to look for in at risk buildings are: verandas and parapets, Oamaru stone, ornamental features such as finials. In Wellington 835 buildings have been noted as having historic value. Buildings are being assessed at the rate of approx 500 per year. Project commenced in 2006 with expected completion in 2013. A checklist for building owners is being developed and a building inspection service to evaluate the risk in an earthquake is also being developed. Booklet being published by BRANZ. Further information: Mapping of buildings will be published on web site, in future. Neville to send link to Janette when finished. Question from Anthony – would the Council consider a land swop if hazardous buildings identified. Neville to consider in his report to Council. PAG members are welcome to contact Neville with questions: Neville.brown@wcc.govt.nz
Minutes of last meeting	Minutes of last meeting had two corrections made and were proposed with corrections by Fetu Ole Moana and seconded by Maria.
Matters Arising from the	Pacific Forum: Date has been set for Thursday 8 November – PAG members suggested using a church venue to encourage

Minutes	<p>participation from the community. PIPC church or Wesley Church to be investigated.</p> <p>Pasifika Festival Workshop date has been set for 22 August – PAG members are invited to attend to look at the theme and planning for next festival. This workshop is not eligible for the Meeting attendance allowance but refreshments will be provided. Fetu Ole Moana, Martha, Maria, Tina, Stacey, Sainimili, Anthony and Sofi have all indicated they will attend.</p> <p>Annual Report: draft annual Report was discussed and some of the information was reorganised with agreement that it would go into a conclusion. It was agreed that any more information from members would be sent to Janette by end of day on Friday and that Tina would write an introduction.</p>
Community updates	<p>Samoan community: Community have done a submission to the Local Government Reform consultation, going to go oral submission.</p> <p>Anthony made a submission to the Events strategy. Hekia Parata attended PIC church</p> <p>Niue community: Prevention of Family Violence seminar had Vic Tamati speaking – recommended as a speaker. Fia fia night at NZ police.</p> <p>Tongan community: preparing to celebrate Royal Wedding in Tonga. High tea was held to commemorate end of 100 day mourning period. Mayor attended.</p> <p>Looking for venues for after school classes. Newtown Community centre fully booked.</p> <p>Cook Islands: visit to High Commissioner to celebrate designation of Marine Reserve in Cook Islands for sharks and restriction about taking from oceans.</p> <p>Stacey – primary concern is education. Researching what influences children learning.</p> <p>Tina: Fijian language programme continues to run</p>
Next meeting	<p>Next PAG Meeting, Venue: Committee Room 1, Council Offices, Wakefield Street, Wednesday 8 August, 2012</p> <p>Visitors from Whitirea Journalism course attending</p>
Closing Prayer	<p>Tina McNicholas closed the meeting and Maria Solouota gave the closing prayer</p>
Action Points:	<p>PAG Members:</p> <p>Send PAG member activity, achievements and progress for Annual Report to Janette for inclusion by 13 July</p> <p>Janette:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Report to be finalised and sent to Tina for sign off.

Appendix: Presentation slides - Earthquake Resilience