
ORDINARY MEETING

OF

MAKARA/OHARIU COMMUNITY BOARD

MINUTE ITEM ATTACHMENTS

Time: 7:00pm
Date: Thursday, 30 August 2018
Venue: Makara Community Hall
366 Makara Road
Wellington

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2.2 Chairperson's Oral Report for 30 August 2018

1. Consultation letter to Makara residents regarding the move of the Old Makara School (29 South Makara Road) to the existing Makara School (399 Makara Road).
2. List of emails and comments regarding consultation.
3. Email received from John Easter (910 Makara Road) about forest slash coming down stream (suggestion that it was from 150 Makara Road from recent forestry work (top of Makara Hill). Emailed Guy Holmes.
4. Response from Guy Holmes, and myself back to Easter. Most unlikely that this has occurred, our own property is located below Holmes property at 410, nothing at all in my flood fence in recent rain event. Easter responded - sorted
5. Letters to Chris Hipkins (Minister of Education) and Grant Robertson (Wellington Central) *asking for assistance with funding of School Move.*
6. Email from Chris Renner, Board member re Cyclone Gita problem of many cars getting stuck the beach and residents being bombarded with requests for tow. Photos attached. Follow up email to Jacqui Hastie for urgent attention to providing signs warning of this danger. Understand notice is now at Beach.
7. Met with Jacqui Hastie WCC re meeting of WCC and Makara Beach Residents to discuss long term plan for the Beach.
8. 28 June - Attended Meeting re above with WCC and Beach Residents on Long Term Plan. Have signed up to be the designated MOCB Board Member on this group.
9. Attended Chairing Meetings workshop - WCC 7 August 9.30-1.00 pm – John also attended.
10. Attended Workshop for Makara Beach Group – WCC 5.30 pm 7 August on “what to be done at Makara Beach”. A number of meetings have been arranged with the Group until end of December, to provide a solution.
11. Meeting with Sue Hawkins (Takarau Gorge) re gabion basket repair road/stream and resource consent issues. Emailed WCC.
12. Email from Wellington Water re 12 tonne excavator coming into Makara. Emailed Makara Yahoo Group. Forwarded to Yahoo Group.
13. Attended Predator Free Wellington 2050/Capital Kiwi newsbrief.
14. Produce notice to Makara and Ohariu Communities. Note to go in about recent burglaries and break-ins, and for residents to take numbers if possible.

2.5 Report from our New Emergency Management Advisor – Chris Moore

<Enter Suburb here> Community Emergency Hub



Providing access to the Community Emergency Hub

<Facility name> is a Community Emergency Hub, which is a place for the community to gather and help each other during an emergency. The <venue owner, manager> has identified you as a person living nearby who they are happy to have unlock the facility for the community to use during an emergency.

A Community Emergency Hub is run by people in the community who come together to help each other. However, there is no obligation for you to run or assist at the Emergency Hub, but your help and familiarity with the facility would certainly be appreciated.

When to open the facility

The facility needs to be made available to the community during times when a significant emergency (such as a large earthquake) has isolated or caused significant disruption to your community. For example, when there has been widespread infrastructure damage, loss of lifelines (power, water, gas) and communications. After you have checked on yourself, your family and your neighbours, head down to <Facility Name> (preferably with a friend) to open the Emergency Hub for arriving community members.

When NOT to open the facility

Do not open the facility as an Emergency Hub if you feel it is unsafe due to structural damage or threats from the surrounding area.

If no one is at the facility when you arrive, do not open up. Leave a note with your address so that community members can come and find you. Check again later, if you can.

If the facility is in a tsunami zone and there is a possible tsunami threat, do not open the facility until the all-clear has been officially announced.

Checking that the facility is safe

On arrival, have a look around the site for any obvious hazards

- Have there been any landslides, fires, or flooding?
- Can you smell sewerage or gas?
- Does there appear to be any structural damage?
- Are there any potential threats from the surrounding environment – tsunami, adjacent buildings on fire, heavy smoke, flooding?



When you get inside, look for hazards that might not have been visible from outside the buildings.

- Can you see exposed electrical wires?
- Are cracks affecting structural elements like concrete columns?
- Do doors still open smoothly, are windows broken? - these may indicate the structure has shifted.

If you are unsure, discuss it with other people. Consider if these hazards could be safely cordoned off and avoided, and if it is possible to use other parts of the facility instead.

How else can you help?

Let arriving community members know where the Community Emergency Hub kit and radio is kept, which part of the facility would be a good place to set up and any areas that they need to stay out of. Also, let them know that there is a guide in the Emergency Hub equipment box to help them in setting up and running the Emergency Hub

If you would like to know more about how a community can work together during an emergency visit our website, and think about attending one of our locally run community preparedness training courses:

www.getprepared.org.nz/hubs

For more detail about providing access for the community during an emergency please discuss with the person who issued you the key.

Building Resilience

Experiences from around the world show that the communities that get through disasters the best are the ones that already have a history of working together. These communities have formed networks of strong relationships, they know each other and understand how to collaborate and work together, they are aware of the strengths, skills and resources within their community, and they are sensitive to the areas of potential vulnerability. This makes for a vibrant, active community day-to-day, with latent capacity to support each other in times of stress.

Our communities are made up of businesses, organisations, groups, clubs, and households. These all have the resources that they use on a daily basis. These resources will be useful during an emergency. Sharing the knowledge of what and who is in our community increases the opportunities for ideas to flourish, both making our communities better now, and providing solutions during the response to a disaster.

Stockpiling special resources just for a disaster is costly and requires maintenance. Experience has shown that despite the good intentions of those initially setting them up, as the years pass and emergencies drift from being a current focus, these caches become the burden of a well-meaning few, and soon become poorly maintained as energy and interest wains. The assets that are used everyday provide a considerably more sustainable and appropriate resource for an emergency.

The focus of most progressive emergency management organisations around the world is shifting to building social capital; the value of connections between everyone in the community.

The Wellington Region Emergency Management Office assists communities in building resilience when a community has generated their own interest and enthusiasm to invest in some localised work.

The Wellington Region Emergency Management Office facilitate a workshop series that help our communities to understand their risks and how they can help each other before, during and after a disaster; setting the expectation that people should take ownership and help each other rather than waiting for official assistance during an emergency.

The goal of the programme is twofold; empower our communities to support each other during an emergency, and look for ways to foster more relationships within the community, which in turn builds resilience.

While identifying key strengths, vulnerabilities, resources, and solutions in the locality, the facilitated activities also highlight what gives the community its sense of character. This has contributed to community visioning projects by various residents and business associations for use in their endeavours.

In order to foster relationships, the activities lead to identifying local community-driven projects (not necessarily directly related to emergencies or resilience) that locals have interest and energy to make happen in and for their community, bringing people together in the process.

This programme is only successful if based on an existing genuine interest driven by the local community. We would like to collaborate with a range of local groups and interested individuals, in organising the event and encouraging their friends, neighbours and workmates to get involved.

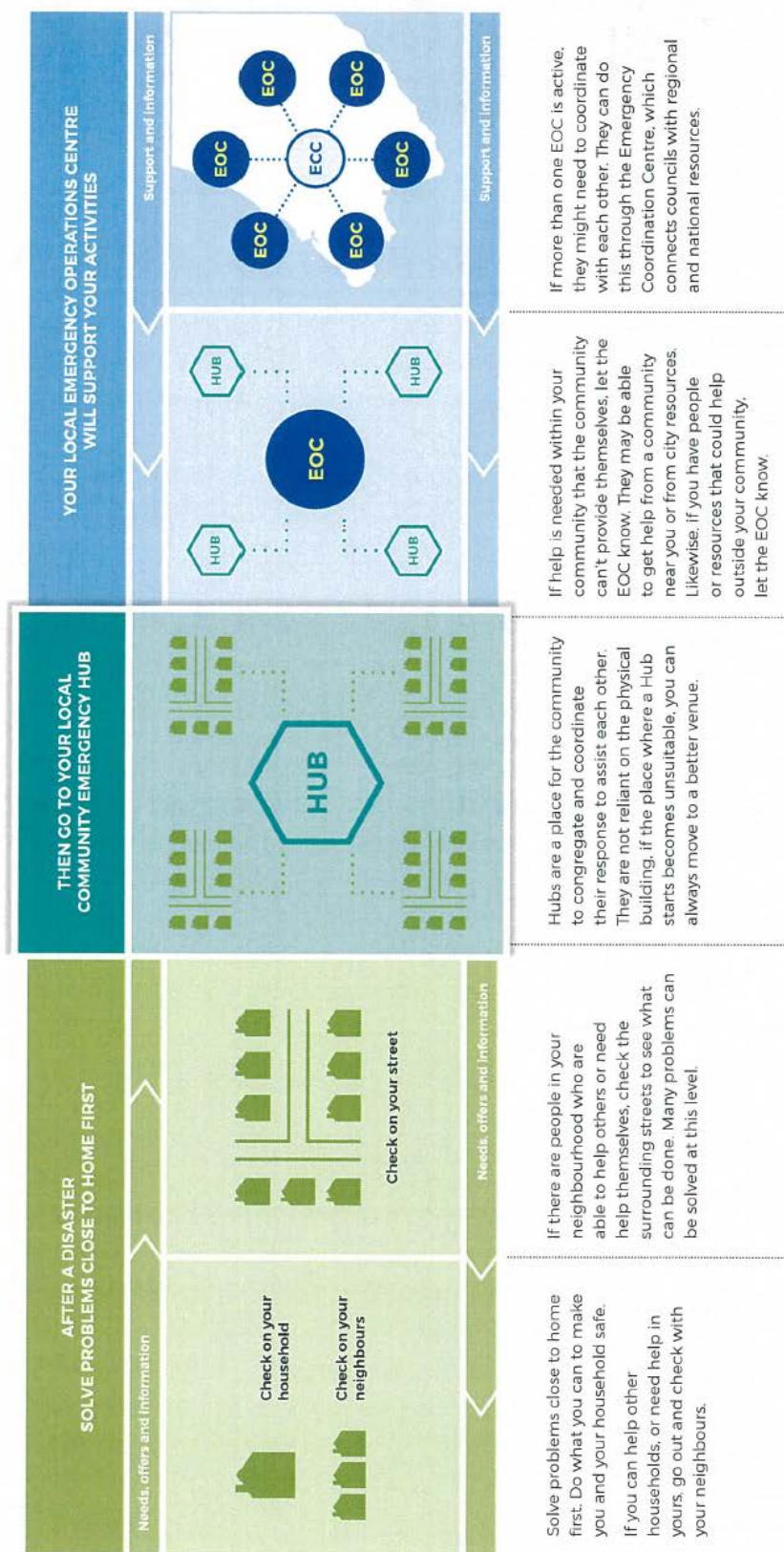
Makara/Ohairu Resilience Plan: 2018/19

ACTIVITY	SEPTEMBER 2018	OCTOBER 2018	NOVEMBER 2018	DECEMBER 2018	JANUARY 2019	FEBRUARY 2019	MARCH 2019
Makara Hub fully functional			By end of November				
Ohairu Hub fully function			By end of November				
CRP at Ohairu Hub					WC: 21 st		
Hub exercise at Ohairu Hub						16/02/2019	
Hub exercise at Makara Hub							30/03/2019
Neighbours Day							22 nd – 31 st
Shakeout		18/10/2018					

Community Emergency Hub



During disasters, councils and emergency services aren't the only ones responding. Communities have many of the skills and resources needed to solve problems and help each other. Community Emergency Hubs are a way for people to work together to solve problems locally, while still coordinating with councils about really big problems.



Community Emergency Hubs

Empowering our community to help itself



Community Emergency Hubs are about the community coming together to do what it can to help each other - people helping people with what they have available.

The Wellington Region Emergency Management Office (WREMO) works with our communities to empower and promote a community-led response to the challenges communities will face during a disaster.

As we saw in Christchurch and other disasters around the world, people want to help those in need. After a significant emergency, such as an earthquake, the community will naturally come together for company, to share their stories about their experience, find out information, offer assistance to those who need it, and look for assistance.

Community Emergency Hubs (formerly known as Civil Defence Centres) are pre-identified places for the community to coordinate their efforts to help each other during and after a disaster. Community Emergency Hubs will be opened by people in their community, not official staff, when there is need for the

community to help itself, such as when there has been widespread infrastructural damage, damage to buildings and roads, or communication networks are down for extended periods.

After helping their household and neighbours, people should head to their local Community Emergency Hub to offer what they can.

Community Emergency Hubs are located at local primary schools, community centres, and other community gathering spaces. WREMO is in the process of making arrangements with these hosts to allow locals to open up the venue in times of need.

Community Emergency Hubs will be equipped with an operating guide to help describe the most efficient way to run the Hub, a map, a small amount of stationery to assist in coordinating whatever the community feels should be done, and a radio so the community can communicate with the official Emergency Operations Centre. There are no caches of emergency supplies at Community Emergency Hubs. Community Emergency Hubs are not Emergency Assistance Centres (formerly

known as Welfare Centres) where official government support can be accessed. Through Community Response and Resilience Planning, WREMO works with communities to identify community strengths and resources that could be useful during a disaster, vulnerabilities that the community should check during a disaster or consider mitigating beforehand, and potential solutions to the challenges a community will face during a disaster. These are recorded in a Community Emergency Hub Guide that also outlines how to run the Hub.

WREMO provides free training to the community to help people get prepared for an emergency, and share ideas on how the Community Emergency Hub could run smoothly.

To find out where your local Hub is and for more information visit www.getprepared.nz/Hubs