



Planning & Regulatory Manager's Report – November 2006

Southern Building Controls Group – Building Certification

Listed below is some of the recent work etc of the group.

- The group is continuing to work its way through documenting technical procedures, using the Department of Building and Housing guide as a basis - there are only two or four of the 40-odd procedures included in the guide left to be completed by work groups.
- The work group looking at management procedures has focused on the procedure associated with work allocation and skills assessment. It is intended to present a draft of this to the group at the next meeting and to ascertain the possibility of sharing work procedures and methods in this area with other cluster groups in the interim (there are still a number of other management procedures to confirm and work through at the December meeting).
- The group will lodge a joint submission of the proposed fees and assistance.
- The group has been advised that it should still put in the application for funding assistance that has already been drafted (but not submitted pending receipt of further costing information from group members) as this will come from a different fund to the \$3.1 million assistance package recently announced.
- The Department of Building and Housing is holding a workshop in Wellington on 20 November which people from a range of organisations have been invited to attend in order to provide feedback on a self assessment guide that the DBH have produced to help Councils prepare for BCA accreditation.
- The Department of Building and Housing is looking to run a pilot study of the assessment process and some members of the group are interested in possibly being part of that study - this is to be further discussed at the December meeting.
- There are some issues associated with making the website run better.

Resource Consents

Since the last report, the following resource consents have been granted by the Manager-Planning and Regulatory under delegated authority:

RM061235	Subdivision – Create Two Residential Lots RJR Properties Limited Corner SH 1 and McLean Street, Glenavy	03/10/06
RM061248	Land Use – Relocated House S. Kitto Hunter Makikihi Road, Makikihi	04/10/06

RM061246	Land Use – Relocated House H. & M. Prescott-Ballagh Kowhatu Road, Waimate	11/10/06
RM061257	Land Use – House in Flood Risk Area Baylyn Farm Limited SH 82 and Pikes Point Road, Waimate	11/10/06
RM061253	Land Use – Extension to Building Lister Home and Hospital 22 Innes Street, Waimate	12/10/06
RM061245	Subdivision – Create Two Rural Lots J. Kirk Rattrays, Adamsons and Lower Hook Roads, Waimate	13/10/06
RM061251	Create Right Of Way Meridian Energy Te Akatarawa Road, Aviemore	16/10/06
RM061254	Subdivision – Create Two Residential Lots Macugnaga Limited 73 Parsonage Road/Maude Street, Waimate	16/10/06
RM061250	Land Use – Erect Storage Container close to boundary The Waimate Historic Society Inc 24-28 Shearman Street, Waimate	17/10/06
RM061239	Subdivision – Create Two Rural Lots & Corner Splays J. & S. Abelen Limited Hakataramea Valley Road & Hayes Road Hakataramea	24/10/06

Air Quality

Canterbury Regional Councillors and staff are to attend the Council's December workshop to discuss Waimate air quality and in particular the requirement to meet National Environment Standards by 2013.

Attached is the latest winter air report for Waimate.

Civil Defence

It has been a very busy month for a lot of people involved within Council's Civil Defence Emergency Management. Refer below list.

- **Sector Post Meetings**
Glenavy and Otaio held Sector Post meetings this month. Ikawai also had its first sector post meeting and we welcome Doug Hodder as the new Ikawai warden.
- **Exercise Pandora**
Exercise Pandora was a very effective exercise for the Emergency Operations Centre staff. Thanks to Matt Henderson for his help with running the exercise and to Jim Rayner for his involvement on the day. The summary from the observers report is

below in italics. The observer was Les Pester (Waimakariri Emergency Services Manager and former Waimate Traffic Officer).

Overall I felt the Waimate EOC operated very effectively and the critical aspect of decisions being derived from collaborative planning sessions was used to very good effect. The other aspects raised in these notes are trivial by comparison and only serve to identify a way forward to progress the EOC.

In my personal opinion the incredible improvement and the progress that has been made in Emergency Management in Waimate during the last 18 months is a credit to both Council and their staff for there individual cooperation and willingness to be involved.

Well Done Waimate.

*Leslie Pester
Observer*

Our Civil Defence officer helped as an observer for Exercise Pandora in Waimakariri and helped to run the Waitaki Tsunami Exercise.

Both were excellent learning exercises and demonstrated commitment to councils who helped Waimate during the snow and continue to help Waimate on an ongoing basis.

- **Wardens Meeting**

The wardens meeting was well attended by current wardens, future wardens and new wardens. There was widespread endorsement of the text messaging service which will lower the time involved for each warden when distributing weather warnings.

- **Meridian Twizel**

Meridian held a workshop explaining the safety procedures for their dams etc.

Text Message Warnings

We have over 150 people registered already which is excellent. The goal is to reach 1,000 which would give Civil Defence good district coverage.

Canterbury Regional Council Policy Statement Review - Scoping Report

Attached is a scoping report which has been approved by the Canterbury Regional Council.

The Regional Council intends to meet with its territorial partners and to establish working parties in the new year.