



Waitakere City Council
Te Taiao o Waitakere

NOTICE OF MEETING

COUNCIL

I hereby give notice that a Meeting of the Council will be held on:-

DATE: **Wednesday, 17 August 2005** **TIME:** **9.30 am**

VENUE: **Civic Centre, 6 Waipareira Avenue, Lincoln, Waitakere City**

to consider the business as set out herein and to take any necessary action connected therewith.

12 August 2005

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	LA	Cooper
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	WW	Flaunty, QSM, JP
	DE	Gilmour
	PA	Hulse
	JP	Lawley
	VS	Neeson, JP

(Quorum 8 members)

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1 APOLOGIES



**2 AUCKLAND REGION CIVIL DEFENCE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GROUP -
AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH FUNDING FACILITY FOR GROUP EMERGENCY
EXPENDITURE**

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to present to Council for approval the agreement to enable funding facilities for emergency expenditure by the Auckland Region Civil Defence Emergency Management Group (CDEMG) to be established.

BACKGROUND

The Auckland Region Civil Defence Emergency Management Group is a joint committee of the eight Local Authorities in the Auckland region established by virtue of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002. The Civil Defence Emergency Management Group has the lead responsibility for planning and organisation with respect to Civil Defence Emergency Management matters in the Auckland Region. As part of its establishment the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group has examined the requirement on it to be able to respond in the event of an emergency. In order for the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group to be able to access Government subsidy in and following an emergency event, it is necessary for the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group to make provision for access to its own funding for emergency response and recovery at the Group or regional level. In order to do this the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group has proposed that a \$10,000,000 committed facility be established to provide it with access to funds for use for group response and recovery in an emergency.

The proposal involves the Auckland Regional Council, as administering authority on behalf on the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group, establishing a \$10,000,000 committed facility for use by the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group (the Financing Facility), and all Councils in the region entering into an agreement (the Management Deed) to outline the mechanisms for operation of the Financing Facility and to provide that each member Council of the Group will contribute to the repayment of any drawings and payment of any fees, interest or other liabilities under the Financing Facility in line with the regionally agreed funding formula. The funding formula is:

Council	Comment	
Auckland Regional Council		35% Total
Rodney District Council	6.4%	65% balance of Civil Defence Emergency Management Group emergency expenditure costs apportioned per-capita across councils
North Shore City Council	15.7%	
Waitakere City Council	14.4%	
Auckland City Council	31.3%	
Manukau City Council	24.2%	
Papakura District Council	3.6%	
Franklin District Council	4.4%	

Council previously resolved, via the Emergency Services Special Committee meeting, 1 February 2005:

- "1, *That the Auckland Region Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Emergency Expenditure Funding and Relating Issues report be received.*
2. *That approval be given to the establishment of a \$10,000,000 committed financial facility for use by the CDEMG in respect of group emergency expenditure on response and recovery, and an appropriate risk management regime and delegations in respect of the facility to protect the Group's interests, noting that Council's maximum required repayment for any draw down on the facility would be \$1,400,000.*
3. *That the CDEMG report back to Council for executing appropriate documentation in respect of the committed financial facility and related joint security arrangements."*

(Part of minute number 2/2005)

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

Civil Defence Emergency Management is a responsibility of Council under the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002. Civil Defence Emergency Management forms part of Council's strategic framework in that it contributes to community well being and building strong communities by increasing community readiness for and resilience to emergency events, reducing exposure to such events, and providing for emergency response in the case of such events. As well as undertaking local planning and activity, Council has a statutory obligation to participate in and contribute to regional Civil Defence Emergency Management arrangements. The establishment of a Civil Defence Emergency Management Group emergency funding facility is key to enabling the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group to operate in the course of an emergency.

ISSUES

Work has progressed on the Management Deed to the extent that the agreement is now ready for execution by each member Council of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group.

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The proposed Management Deed prepared by members of the Co-ordinating Executive Group (CEG) of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group and the Auckland Regional Council is attached at pages A1 to A26.

The proposed Management Deed has previously been circulated to each of the Councils in the Auckland Region for comment, and has been amended where necessary in line with comment received.

In summary, the Management Deed requires the Auckland Regional Council to have in place at all times a dedicated committed facility of \$10,000,000 for exclusive use by the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group in respect of Group expenditure on Civil Defence Emergency Management response or recovery expenditure. The Management Deed outlines the mechanisms for operation of the facility and establishes how each Civil Defence Emergency Management Group member Councils will contribute to the repayment of all amounts outstanding under that facility. It is proposed that only the Auckland Regional Council will be able to operate the committed facility, but that they will only be able to do this upon formal instruction from authorised personnel representing the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group. It is proposed that authorisation to drawdown on the committed facility will need to be given by both the Chairman of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group (or a nominated alternate) and the Chairman of the Co-ordinating Executive Group (or a nominated alternate). The Management Deed also commits the Councils of the region to being jointly responsible for repayment of any draw down on the facility and payment of any fees, interest or other liabilities incurred under the facility in line with the agreed funding formula (as noted above).

The Management Deed has been prepared by representatives of the Co-ordinating Executive Group on behalf of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group and officers of the Auckland Regional Council. It has been considered by Council officers and is now recommended to Council as being in order for execution in line with Council's previous decisions.

CONCLUSION

The Council has previously approved the establishment of a \$10,000,000 committed financial facility for use by the Auckland Region Civil Defence Emergency Management Group in respect of Group emergency expenditure on response and recovery. This report presents to Council for approval appropriate documentation to enable such a facility to be established.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Auckland Region Civil Defence Emergency Management Group - Agreement To Establish Funding Facility For Group Emergency Expenditure report be received.
2. That the Auckland Region Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Facility Management Deed be approved for execution, and that the Director: Corporate & Civic Services be authorised to make any minor amendments necessary to enable agreement to be reached between the parties to the Deed.

Report prepared by: Ross McLeod, Director: Corporate & Civic Services, and Bruce Wilkin, Treasury Manager.



3 DRAFT AUCKLAND REGIONAL SETTLEMENT STRATEGY

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's endorsement of the draft Auckland Regional Settlement Strategy.

BACKGROUND

The Auckland Regional Settlement Strategy is a project under the Auckland Sustainable Cities Programme, initiated by the Auckland Region Mayoral Forum in early 2003 in response to the Government's Sustainable Development Programme of Action for New Zealand (SDPOA).

The Auckland Regional Settlement Strategy is an agreed long-term plan to achieve sustainable settlement outcomes which contribute to social cohesion in the Auckland Region. The draft Strategy makes recommendations on what is required to move from current negative settlement experiences to the settlement outcomes desired by migrant and refugee communities. In addition, the draft Strategy incorporates the views of the host community. Recommendations are made on a number of settlement issues that need to be addressed to achieve positive settlement outcomes for migrants, refugees and local communities.

As a project of Auckland Sustainable Cities, development of the Auckland Regional Settlement Strategy has benefited from the release of resources (budgetary and staff time) and alignment with the New Zealand Settlement Strategy facilitated by adopting a whole of region, whole of government approach.

A27-A66 Local and Central Government endorsement of the draft Strategy is being sought over July and August 2005. A copy of the draft Strategy is available in the Councillors Lounge. The Executive Overview and Executive Summaries of the chapters are attached at pages A27 to A66.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

Waitakere City Council's vision as expressed in its Long Term Council Community Plan 2003/2013, is for a city that:

- celebrates and sustains its people;
- has a strong sustainable economic base;
- honours its environment; and
- builds on its cultures and heritage.

In particular, the 2020 vision under the Strong Communities strategic platform is:

People are active, healthy and content. They feel safe and connected to others. Our City is a great place for children. We enjoy our diversity of lifestyles and people.

Council has expressed a commitment in the Long Term Council Community Plan 2003/2013 to supporting migrants and refugees settle successfully and contribute their skills and experience. Council has also committed to helping grow community leaders and capacity. Support for the settlement of migrants and refugees in Waitakere City contributes towards the Long Term Council Community Plan goals of community participation and empowerment, a holistic approach to health and wellbeing and strengthening the City's economic sustainability.

ISSUES

Desired Settlement Outcomes

The draft Strategy document provides an overview of the key settlement issues and desired settlement outcomes for migrants and refugees, including Pacific migrants.

The key shared settlement outcome for these communities is to have a sense of belonging and integration with wider New Zealand society, achieved through participation and contribution as equal and valued members of society. There is also a focus in the draft Strategy on supporting host communities who are recipients of migrants and refugees into their area.

Role of Local Government in Settlement

Council's attention is drawn to the chapter in the draft Strategy on the role of local government in settlement. The draft Strategy acknowledges the legislative framework, including the development of Long Term Council Community Plans, within which Councils operate, and the implications of this framework for the involvement of councils in settlement support. In particular, the chapter notes that the impact of settlement is felt most keenly at the local and neighbourhood level and that Councils have a key role in supporting community development in their communities.

Council has already committed significant support for settlement of migrants and refugees in Waitakere City through the New Out West migrant and refugee "Call to Action", the Community Partnership Agreement with the Waitakere Ethnic Board, agreeing to be the Lead Agency of the Waitakere Settlement Support Service and ongoing advocacy on settlement issues to Central Government. Council has also agreed to continue funding access to the Language Line telephone interpreting service in situations where limited English is a barrier for Council's customers. The draft Strategy will enable Council to consider its role in settlement and develop a response for implementing the Strategy at the local level.

RESOURCES

The project has a total budget of \$189,500 (excl GST) contributed by the seven Auckland Councils, the Auckland Regional Council and Central Government. Provision has been made in the 2005/2006 Annual Plan for an amount of \$7,000 as Council's contribution to the development of the Strategy.

The development of the Strategy is the responsibility of a multi-agency Working Group supported by a Project Manager. An officer from Council's Strategic Partnerships and Advocacy team is a member of the Working Group that is developing the Strategy. Council is also represented on the Settlement Strategy Steering Group and on the overarching Auckland Sustainable Cities Steering Group.

CONCLUSION

As part of the Auckland Sustainable Cities work programme, the Regional Settlement Strategy Steering Group has developed a draft Auckland Regional Settlement Strategy and is seeking endorsement from the Councils of the Auckland region during July and August 2005. Council's feedback and endorsement of the draft Strategy is sought to enable the Strategy to be finalised.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Draft Auckland Regional Settlement Strategy report be received.
2. That Council endorse the draft Auckland Regional Settlement Strategy.

Report prepared by: Monica Sharma, Partnerships & Advocacy Leader: New Migrants.



PUBLIC EXCLUDED MATTERS

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These items will be considered in the Confidential Supplement of the agenda, and have been circulated to members separately with this agenda.

PROCEDURAL MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting, namely, Waitakere Central - Henderson Transport Interchange Project; Project Twin Streams - Property Purchases; Memorandum of Understanding between Waitakere City Council and Auckland City Council and Whenuapai Airport.

The general subject of the matters to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation of the matters, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of the matters to be considered.	Reasons for passing this resolution in relation to the matters.	Ground(s) under Section 48(1)(a) for the passing of this resolution.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waitakere Central - Henderson Transport Interchange Project; • Project Twin Streams - Property Purchases; • Whenuapai Airport. • Memorandum of Understanding between Waitakere City Council and Auckland City Council; 	<p>The withholding of information is necessary in order to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations); • enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations); • enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations); • enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations). 	<p>That the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist.</p> <p>That the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist.</p> <p>That the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist.</p> <p>That the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist.</p>

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 7(2)(i) of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the relevant parts of the proceedings of the meeting in public as follows:

- *The reports contain information which if released could affect the Council's negotiations.*

