

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EMERGENCY SERVICES SPECIAL COMMITTEE
HELD AT CIVIL DEFENCE HEADQUARTERS, 7 ELCOAT AVENUE, HENDERSON,
WAITAKERE, ON TUESDAY, 3 OCTOBER 2006,
COMMENCING AT 9.30 AM.**

PRESENT: Councillors DQ Battersby, JP (Chairman)
WW Flaunty, QSM, JP (Deputy Chairman)
RP Dallow, QPM, JP (until 9.50 am)

ABSENT: Councillor C Harding, JP

IN ATTENDANCE: Director: Corporate & Civic Services: R McLeod
Manager: Emergency Services: B Morley
Principle Rural Fire Officer: P Barber
Emergency Management Officer: B Guttery
Emergency Management Officer: K Nuttall
Sister Cities Officer and Democracy and Support: S Simiona

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: J MacLean, Acting Deputy, Chief Fire Officer, Henderson

1 APOLOGIES

There were no Apologies.

2 URGENT BUSINESS

There was no Urgent Business.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1839/2006

MOVED by Cr Flaunty, seconded Cr Dallow:

That the minutes of the Meeting of the Emergency Services Special Committee held on Tuesday, 8 August 2006, as circulated, be taken as read and now be confirmed.

CARRIED

4 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT - VISIT TO NEW YORK BY COUNCILLOR DEREK BATTERSBY AS PART OF THE REGIONAL CIVIL DEFENCE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GROUP STUDY TOUR

1840/2006

MOVED by Cr Flaunty, seconded Cr Dallow:

That the Chairman's Report - Visit to New York by Councillor Derek Battersby as Part of the Regional Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Study Tour be received.

CARRIED

5 OVERVIEW OF CIVIL DEFENCE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY

9.50 am Cr Dallow left the meeting.

1841/2006

MOVED by Cr Battersby, seconded Cr Flaunty:

1. That the Overview of Civil Defence Emergency Management Activity report be received.
2. That Emergency Management staff be authorised to actively pursue the introduction of voluntary community subscription to the Optn text messaging alerting system, in conjunction with North Shore City Council and Rodney District Council if possible, and that a report be brought back to the Emergency Services Special Committee in relation to this issue.

CARRIED

6 RURAL FIRE-FIGHTER FITNESS PROGRAMME

1842/2006

MOVED by Cr Flaunty, seconded Cr Battersby:

1. That the Rural Fire-Fighter Fitness Programme report be received.
2. That the Emergency Services Special Committee authorises the Chief Executive Officer, to question the need for the proposal by the National Rural Fire Authority for the introduction of fitness testing for Rural Fire Forces, and to reject the proposal if considered necessary on the basis that it will destroy the Waitakere Volunteer Rural Fire Forces.

CARRIED

10.26 am

The Chairman thanked Members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

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DATE:.....

CHAIRMAN:.....