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Strategic Recovery Planning

1. Purpose

To update the Wellington CDEM Group (Joint Committee) on the development of a regional Strategic Recovery Plan.

2. Background

The Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002 (CDEM Act) requires every regional council and territorial authority to establish a Civil Defence Emergency Management Group (CDEM Group) and to prepare and approve a CDEM Group Plan. The original Wellington Region CDEM Group Plan (Group Plan) was approved by the CDEM Group in 2005. The current Group Plan 2013 – 2018 is the second generation plan and it was prepared to meet the requirements of Sections 48 – 57 of the CDEM Act. The broad purpose of a Group Plan is to enable the effective and efficient management of emergencies across the four Rs of risk reduction, readiness, response and recovery.

3. Comment

The Draft Strategic Recovery Plan (**Attachment 1**) is consistent with the CDEM Act of 2002 and subsequent amendments (proposed changes outlined in the CDEM Amendment Bill). It is intended to support local primacy in managing recovery following an emergency, while also providing a flexible and scalable concept of operations to provide appropriate levels of coordination and support to Local Councils in managing the full range of consequences of any emergency that the Wellington Region may face.

4. Communication

No further communication is required.

5. The decision-making process and significance

No decision is being sought in this report.

6. Engagement

The following engagement processes have been followed:

The Draft Strategic Plan has been considered by the CEG Subcommittee who endorsed it for forwarding to the CEG for agreement in principle for the approach proposed. The timing of the CDEM Group meeting does not allow decisions arising from CEG (19 August) to be forwarded with this agenda.

7. Recommendations

That the CDEM Group:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of the report.*

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Attachment 1: Draft Strategic Recovery Plan