



Emergency Management Otago

Te Rākau Whakamarumarū Ōtākou

OTAGO CIVIL DEFENCE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT JOINT COMMITTEE AGENDA

Thursday 23rd September 2021 3.00pm

Members

Aaron Hawkins	Mayor, Dunedin City Council (Chair)
Andrew Noone	Chairperson, Otago Regional Council (Dep Chair)
Tim Cadogan	Mayor, Central Otago District
Bryan Cadogan	Mayor, Clutha District Council
Jim Boulton	Mayor, Queenstown Lakes District
Gary Kircher	Mayor, Waitaki District Council

In Attendance:

Sandy Graham	Chief Executive, Dunedin City Council
Sanchia Jacobs	Chief Executive, Central Otago District
Sarah Gardner	Chief Executive, Otago Regional Council
Steve Hill	Chief Executive, Clutha District Council
Mike Theelen	Chief Executive, Queenstown Lakes District
Alex Parmley	Chief Executive, Waitaki District Council
Matt Alley	Manager, CDEM
Simon Chambers	Regional Emergency Management Advisor, NEMA
<i>Dianne Railton</i>	<i>Minute Taker</i>

1. Apologies

Recommendation

That the apology from Mayor B. Cadogan be accepted.

2. Attendance

3. Confirmation of Agenda

4. Confirmation of Minutes

Recommendation

That the minutes of the meeting held on 17th June 2021 be received and confirmed as a true and correct record.

5. Action Items

Meeting	Actions	Action By	Status
17.06.21	Iwi Representation 1.1 Contact Taranaki CDEM Joint Committee to get their advice on their iwi representation, including if they received legal advice. 1.2 Include iwi representation on CDEM Joint Committee, as a discussion item on the Mana-to-Mana Agenda to be held on 6 July 2021.	Matt Alley Cr Noone	1.1 Completed 1.2 Completed
17.06.21	Research - Earthquake Faults 2.1 Confirm with Mayor T. Cadogan that research on earthquake faults in relation to dams in the Central Otago areas has already been done.	Trevor Andrews	2.1 Completed

1.1 Taranaki were contacted and advised that although it was their preference to have Iwi representative on Joint Committee with full voting rights this has not occurred due to legislative constraints. At present Iwi attend in an advisory capacity without voting rights.

1.2 The point was raised at Mana to Mana on the 6th of July. It was suggested by Mana Whenua in attendance at this meeting that Marae Managers could attend Joint Committee in the first instance to gain a deeper understanding of what would be required.

A paper is attached as Item of Business 6.3, for further discussion.

2.1 A 2019 report produced by the Regional Council's Natural Hazards unit has been supplied directly to Mayor Cadogan in answer to his question.

6. Items of Business

6.1 Managers' Report

6.2 AF8 Project Update – Dr Caroline Orchiston and Alice Lake Hammond

6.3 Iwi membership on Joint Committee

7. Closure



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MINUTES OF THE OTAGO CIVIL DEFENCE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE OTAGO REGIONAL COUNCIL CHAMBER
144 RATTRAY STREET, DUNEDIN
THURSDAY 17 JUNE 2021, AT 3.00 PM

Members

Aaron Hawkins	Mayor, Dunedin City Council (Chair)
Andrew Noone	Chairperson, Otago Regional Council (Deputy Chair)
Tim Cadogan	Mayor, Central Otago District
Bryan Cadogan	Mayor, Clutha District Council
Jim Boulton	Mayor, Queenstown Lakes District
Gary Kircher	Mayor, Waitaki District Council

In Attendance:

Sandy Graham	Chief Executive, Dunedin City Council
Sanchia Jacobs	Chief Executive, Central Otago District Council <i>Apology</i>
Sarah Gardner	Chief Executive, Otago Regional Council
Steve Hill	Chief Executive, Clutha District Council - present
Mike Theelen	Chief Executive, Queenstown Lakes District
Lisa Baillie	Group Manager, Waitaki District Council
Matt Alley	Regional Manager, CDEM
Simon Chambers	Regional Emergency Management Advisor, NEMA
Roger Ball	Manager National Operations, NEMA
Kathy Gibbs	Regional Commissioner Advisor, Ministry of Social Development
Trevor Andrews	CDEM (via Zoom)
Dianne Railton	Minute Taker - ORC Governance Support

1. WELCOME

Mayor Hawkins opened the meeting at 3:00pm

2. APOLOGIES

Recommendation

That the apologies be received from Mayor Jim Boulton, Mayor Bryan Cadogan, Sanchia Jacobs, Mike Theelen and Steve Hill.

Moved: Mayor Hawkins

Seconded: Cr Noone

CARRIED

3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Recommendation

That the agenda be confirmed with no changes.

Moved: Mayor Hawkins

Seconded: Cr Noone

CARRIED

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Recommendation

That the minutes of the meeting held on 11 March 2021 be received and confirmed as a true and correct record.

Moved: Mayor Hawkins

Seconded: Cr Noone

CARRIED

5. ACTIONS

There were no outstanding Actions.

6. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

6.1 Manager's Report

Matt Alley spoke to his report, providing an update on staffing, training and capability, and Otago Gets Ready. Further items discussed:

- **Covid Resurgence**

Recent workshop was held in Wellington involving consisting of NEMA, CDEM, DPMC, MFAT, MOH and MSD, with particular focus on Queenstown with the ski season coming up. There will be a follow up workshop in Queenstown in the next couple of weeks which will also include the DHB.

- **Iwi Representation on CDEM Joint Committee**

At present CDEM legislation does not allow for Iwi representation on Joint Committee's with voting rights. However, representation is permitted without voting rights. The CDEM team are seeking guidance as to what approach (if any) is to be made to Mana Whenua and with what context in mind. Roger Ball (Manager National Operations, NEMA) advised that at this point there isn't anything to guide the Joint Committee, and it is really a case of what the Joint Committee would prefer to do. He said that currently in the CDEM Act only elected members can be part of the Joint Committee, and Iwi aren't elected at this stage, but there are legislation recommendations that could change that in the future. Mr Ball advised that Taranaki CDEM Joint Committee are the only group that currently has Iwi representation.

Action:

1. Matt Alley to contact Taranaki CDEM Joint Committee to get their advice on their Iwi representation, including if they received legal advice.
2. Cr Noone to include Iwi representation on CDEM Joint Committee, as a discussion item on the Mana-to-Mana Agenda to be held on 6 July 2021.

Moved: Cr Noone

Seconded: Mayor B. Cadogan

CARRIED

- **Marketing / Promotion**

The opportunity of including information for distribution with rates notices was discussed. Sandy Graham advised that data shows that social media has worked best for DCC.

6.2 Covid-19 Resurgence Update

- **Southern DHB**

Paul McNamara (Emergency Management SDHB) spoke to his presentation on Covid-19 Update, which included progress on vaccinations to date and what is scheduled. He advised that contracts have been entered into for accommodation in Dunedin, Queenstown and Invercargill should it be required for isolation for non-locals. Depending on requirements, they would stay there or otherwise be transported to the most practicable area.

Mayor Kircher said there is a lag with Waitaki patients who have to travel to Dunedin and haven't been able to get their second appointment. Mr McNamara responded that there have been difficulties in certain sites. Vaccination sites are being increased in Otago and they will be more able to judge demand, and they are trying to achieve equity between rural and urban areas. There has also been a lot of information sharing between DHB's, including people working in different regions.

Sarah Gardner asked about people who aren't taking up the opportunity for vaccination and Mr McNamara replied that there is national advertising and messaging, but it is individual choice.

Sandy Graham asked if as a group any thought has been given to staffing the bunkers, and the need to consider any staff who do not get vaccinated.

Sandy Graham left the meeting at 3.43pm

- **MSD Update**

Kathy Gibbs, MSD Regional Commissioner Advisor, spoke to her presentation on MSD Financial Support – COVID-19 Resurgence, for people impacted by COVID-19. This covered Short-Term Absence Payment; Leave Support Scheme; COVID-19 Wage Subsidy; Existing financial support from Work and Income and other supports. Ms Gibbs advised if anyone is hearing of people with temporary visas who are not applying for funding, e.g., they fear immigration may chase them, connect in with your community connector.

6.3 National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) Update

Roger Ball, Manager National Operations, spoke to his presentation which provided an update on NEMA's structure and operating model; Emergency Management, Strategic Enablement, the Maori Work Programme; Regulatory Framework Review "Trifecta" Programme; the Regulatory Framework Review (Trifecta) engagement timeline and Co-designing the CDEM sector strategy.

6.4 Otago Infrastructure & Lifelines Programme Review Proposal

Trevor Andrews, Acting Planning & Development Manager (includes the Lifelines Portfolio for Otago CDEM) provided an update on the Lifelines Programme and the review. Update considerations for the review are: Establishment of Emergency Management Otago/New Group Plan; Development of the AF8 Safer Framework; Post COVID-19 learnings e.g. better appreciation of supply chain resilience; Increased impact of climate change, environmental issues, and water quality; Geospatial developments such as the GNS/NIEW/EQC "RiskScape" geospatial assessment tool; Increased emphasis on Recovery responsibilities; Appraisal of emerging risks and hazards, in particular wildfire; Completion of the Otago CDEM fuel and aviation plans; and Lifeline Utility assessment and mitigation work undertaken but not yet included.

Mayor T. Cadogan asked about the research being done on earthquake faults in Queenstown, Waitaki and Clutha and what is being done in relation to dams in the Central Otago area.

Action:

Trevor Andrews will confirm with Mayor T. Cadogan that research on earthquake faults in relation to dams in the Central Otago areas has already been done.

7. CLOSURE

There was no further business and Mayor Hawkins closed the meeting at 4.53 pm.

Actions:

Meeting	Actions	Action By	Status
17.06.21	<p>Iwi Representation</p> <p>1.3 Contact Taranaki CDEM Joint Committee to get their advice on their iwi representation, including if they received legal advice.</p> <p>1.4 Include iwi representation on CDEM Joint Committee, as a discussion item on the Mana-to-Mana Agenda to be held on 6 July 2021.</p>	<p>Matt Alley</p> <p>Cr Noone</p>	
17.06.21	<p>Research - Earthquake Faults</p> <p>2.1 Confirm with Mayor T. Cadogan that research on earthquake faults in relation to dams in the Central Otago areas has already been done.</p>	Trevor Andrews	

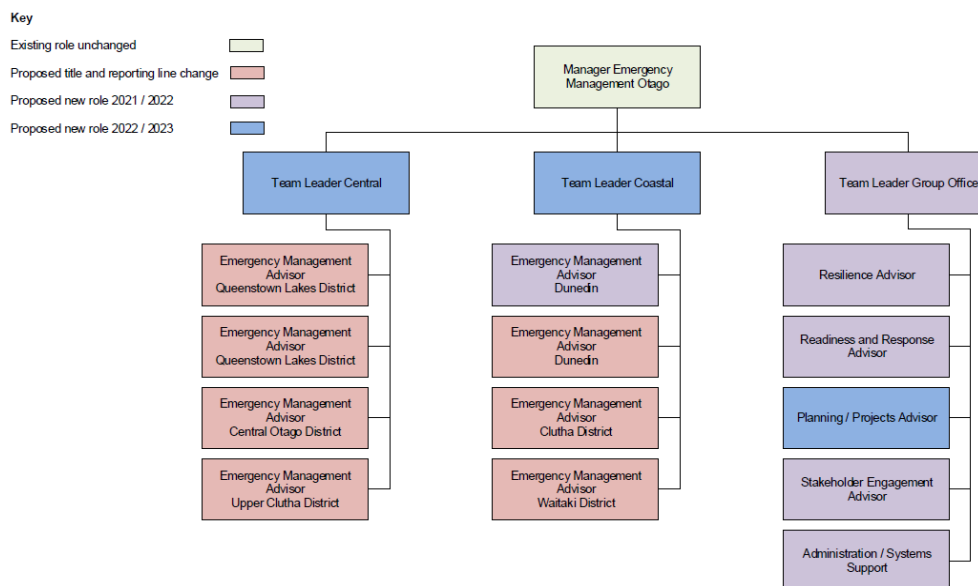


Item 6: Group Managers Report

To: Otago CDEM Joint Committee
From: Matt Alley, Manager
Date: 23rd September 2021

Item 6.1.1 Staffing

Following the recent reorganisation of the CDEM Otago Team the structure below has been agreed. All positions that are to be filled this year have been advertised internally (within ORC) in the first instance with interviews conducted during the week commencing 30th August. Appointment of successful candidates involved in the first tranche will occur on the 13th September.



I will continue to directly supervise the district-based Emergency Management Advisors until the Team Leader positions are filled in the 22/23 financial year. The planning projects advisor role will continue to be filled by way of fixed term contract (Trevor Andrews) until the end of this year.

The fixed term position in Queenstown has now been made permanent.

Tony Martin (Group Welfare Manager) has sought an employment opportunity elsewhere.

Item 6.1.2 COVID Resurgence

Although the CDEM team are heavily engaged during this latest COVID resurgence we are able to meet all of our responsibilities regarding the 'Caring for Communities' framework within business-as-usual structures.

I set three key indicators at the start of the resurgence as a benchmark or trigger for activation of our response network, these were:

1. Operational activity within one or more of the districts warrants it (i.e., a council EOC activates).
2. A degree of coordination is required out of a direct request from the DHB, MSD etc.
3. Information flow to key stakeholders or reporting becomes too onerous to be dealt with via BAU structures.

The CDEM team have developed a web-based portal for use by all councils to refer welfare needs, this essentially negated the need for an 0800-regional number. This web portal is available moving forward and will hopefully reduce the reliance on a regional 0800 call system.

A regional needs assessment system has also been developed based on Southlands Needs Assessment. It utilises ArcGIS online as a cloud-based portal allowing all councils to use existing licenses to access and use the system. Of note Central Otago and Waitaki District Councils use different GIS software, access to this platform is gained via licenses assigned to your respective Emergency Management Advisors.

Deployment of this system has a number of benefits to the Emergency Management Group, including:

1. Scalability – a council will be able to use this for local incidents or as a part of a regional response.
2. Councils will be able to assist each other across borders if the need arises utilising a common platform.
3. Deeper analytical capability both at a regional and local level.
4. Reduced reporting requirements on local councils – The CDEM / ECC team will be able to cover most national reporting requirements for welfare activity.
5. Ensuring national dataset standards are maintained to ensure there are no delays / issues with reimbursements.

Item 6.1.3 Training / Capability Update

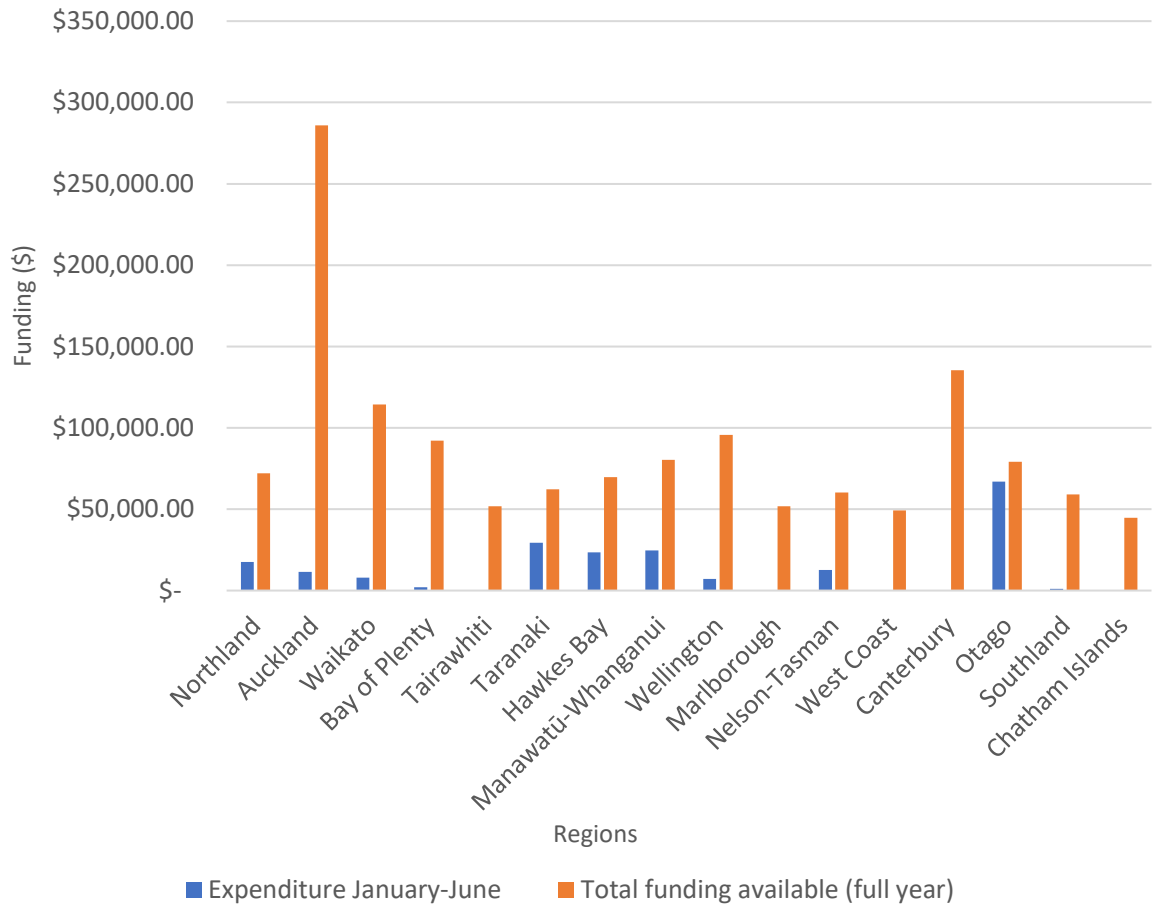
The national training fund report for January to June 2021 has been published by the National Emergency Management Agency. This report outlines all respective CDEM group's activities in relation to utilisation of national training fund for council staff, stakeholders and volunteers.

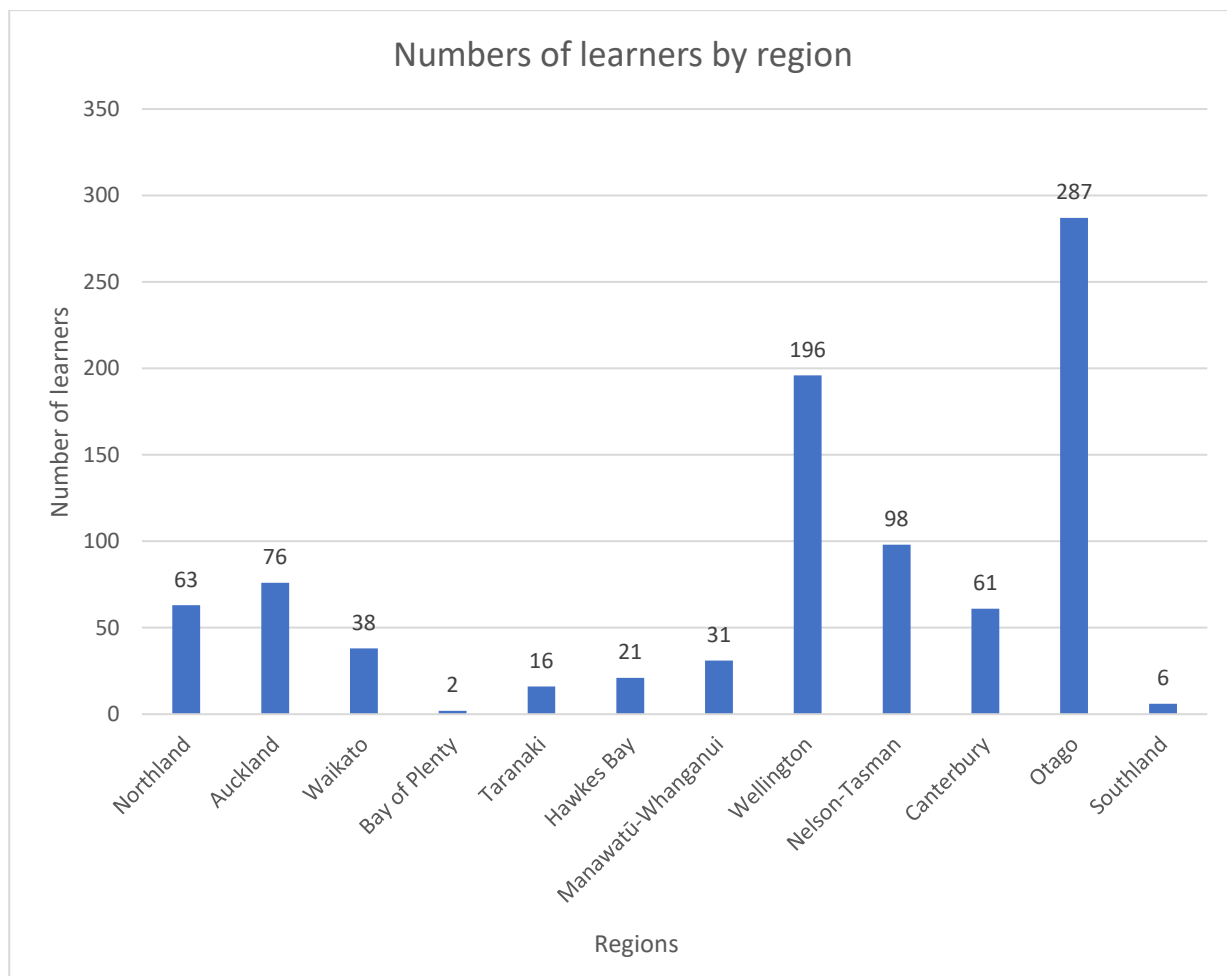
I am pleased to report that the Otago CDEM group is leading the country both in utilisation of allocated funding and the number of people we have trained, please see graphics overleaf for more detail.

Since this report was published, further training courses have been booked that will account for all of our allocated funding this year.

The Regional CDEM exercise planned for 9 September has been postponed due to recent COVID resurgence.

Fund expenditure and total funding available by region





Item 6.1.4 Lifeline Utilities Update

- **National Lifelines & Utilities Forum – Queenstown (November 2021)**
 - Otago CDEM is a main sponsor
 - Mayor Jim Boulton – Opening address and Keynote presentation
 - Ngai Tahu to welcome attendees and also to present (Iwi perspective of Infrastructure Resilience)
 - Approximately 200 registrations to date
 - Forum is being held at the Queenstown Memorial Hall on the 3rd and 4th of November 2021
 - Michelle Mifflin (ORC Manager Engineering) is presenting (Otago Flood Protection Resilience)
 - ORC and QLDC staff jointly presenting on Dart / Rees River issues in Glenorchy (Bus Tour)
 - Queenstown Resort College (QRC) students are being employed as hosts (QRC work experience programme)
 - Two bus tours – Glenorchy and Clyde Dam (Otago CDEM sponsored)

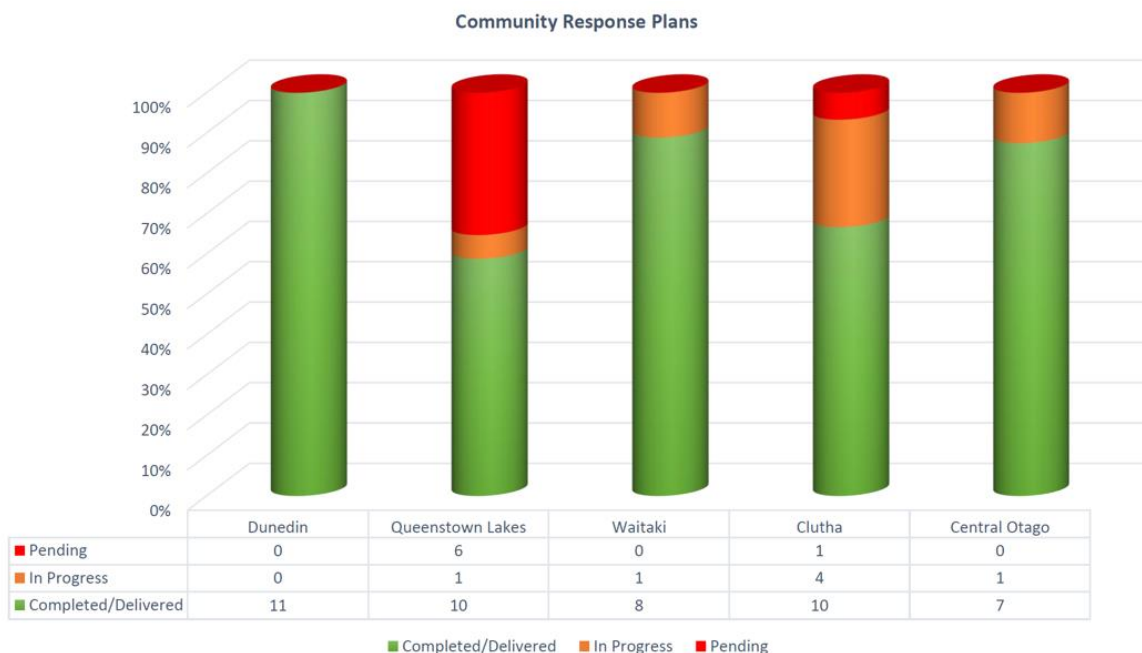
- **Lifelines Programme Review - Progress**
 - Workshop postponed to 7th October (Due to Covid restrictions)
 - Letters have been sent to all Lifeline agencies formally advising of the project and seeking their commitment to participate and asking them to identify appropriate project representatives
 - Sourcing and collating information from Lifelines on their infrastructure changes, risk reviews, and mitigation programmes has been undertaken
 - Sourcing all relevant regional or national reports from research agencies e.g., ORC, CDEM, AF8, and climate change has occurred

- Online meetings were held with relevant people in preparation for the workshop
- Scoping of an on-line GIS viewer that overlays infrastructure over known hazard layers utilising ORC hazard data, AF8 data and infrastructure data is being developed for the project
- **General**
 - ORC staff member Nicola Felts has left ORC, therefore vacating her Otago CDEM Lifelines Utility Coordinator (LUC) role. We thank her for her contribution.
 - ORC staff member Andrew Gibson has replaced Nicola in the LUC role.
 - Ex ORC Chairperson Stephen Woodhead has volunteered as an Otago CDEM LUC. Stephen and Andrew are currently active during this Covid episode
 - The Otago CDEM and Fire & Emergency NZ MoU for joint aviation and aircraft management was formally signed
 - The Otago Aviation Emergency Support Plan (AESOP) was widely distributed across Otago Lifeline agencies and related stakeholders and is posted on the Otago CDEM website
 - Otago CDEM will be delivering a joint CDEM / FENZ training workshop on implementation of the Aviation Emergency Support Plan (AESOP) in October
 - Otago CDEM presented an update to senior FENZ Otago and South Island managers on the AESOP
 - FENZ has had to postpone a series of their own aviation information sessions to aircraft operators across Otago due to Covid restrictions (Otago CDEM personnel were invited to attend these information sessions)

Item 6.1.5 Community Response Planning

Community response planning remains a primary focus for the team and sits at the centre of our community resilience work.

The graph below indicates what plans have been completed, in progress and pending per district.



Item 6.1.6 Gets Ready Update

At the time of writing this report there were **2829** addresses registered on the platform with **8478** individual subscribers.

In brief, community engagement with this platform remains moderate with coastal communities slower to adopt this platform than their inland counterparts.

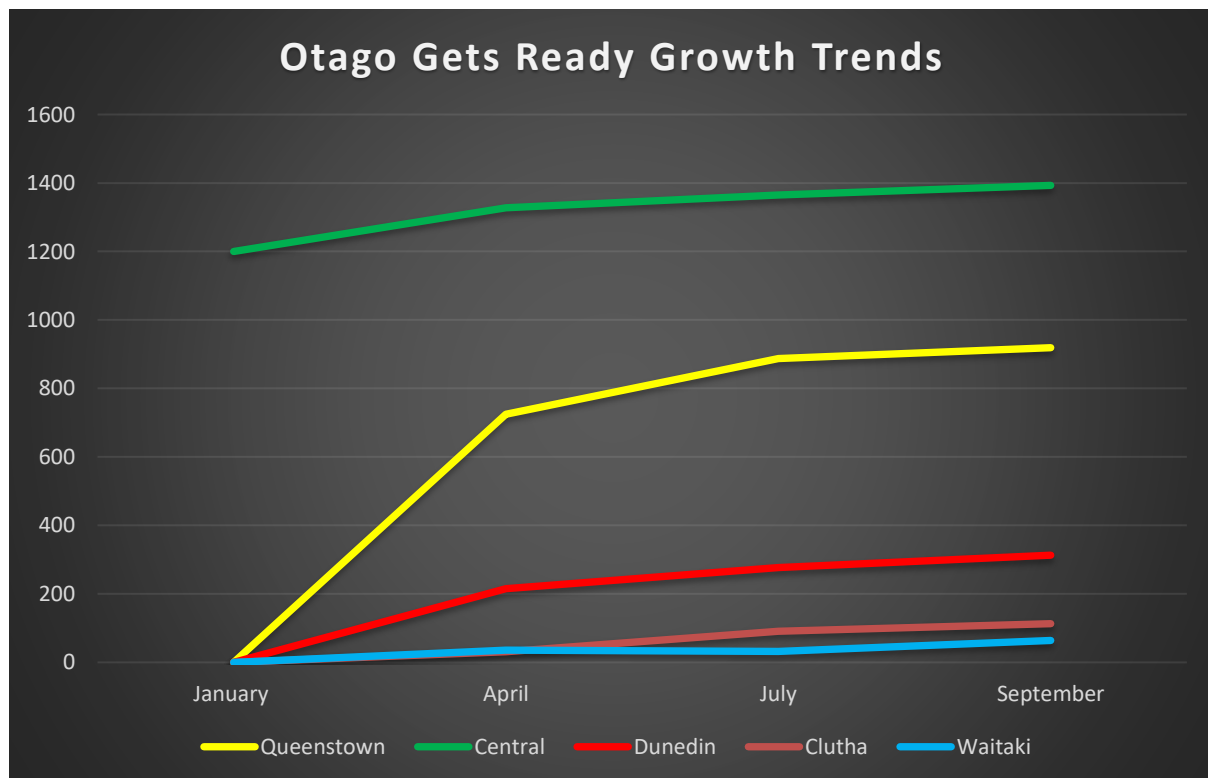
Queenstown Lakes is the fastest growing district on the platform with 33% of their critical mass obtained in five months. They currently account for 33% of the regional platform.

Central Otago have the advantage of having obtained registrations over the trial period. They have registered over half of their targeted critical mass (53%), great recent work by their new EMO to promote it in the district. They currently account for nearly half the registrations in Otago.

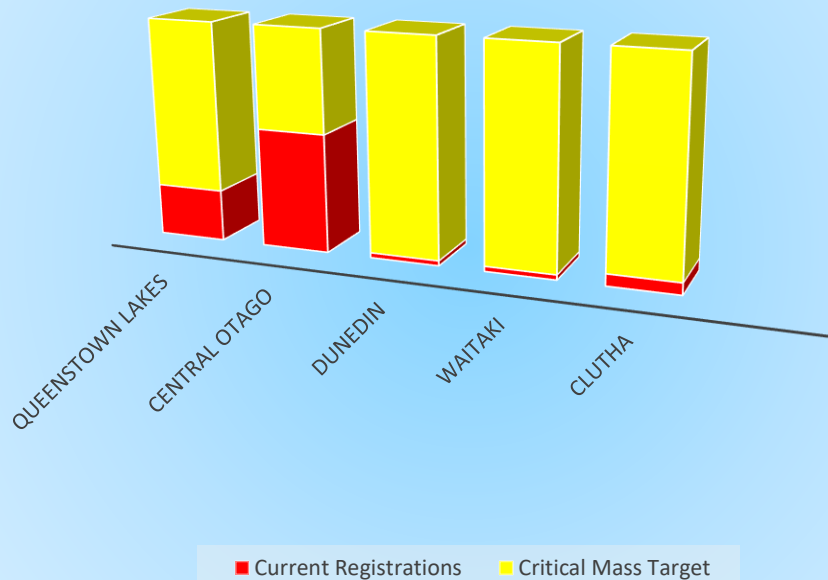
Dunedin is expected to import a significant number of registrations from the Otago Neighbourhood Support network. By the end of the year Dunedin could reach 50% of their targeted critical mass however they currently have 2%. They account for 11% of the Otago platform but their census data suggests they should account for more than half the total registrations.

Clutha is the good news story of the platform this quarter. A significant effort to raise their stake in the regional numbers is evident. Engagement by both the CDC and the EMO has seen them more than double their numbers in week and planned promotional work in third quarter is expected to see them leading the charge on the coast. They currently account for 4% of the platform but watch this space.

Waitaki numbers are showing improvement. The registrations increased lately due to promotional efforts. A little over 2% obtained.



Otago Gets Ready Critical Mass Targets



Item 6.1.7 Risk Scape – Pilot (Balclutha)

- RiskScape is an ‘open-source’ multi-hazard risk assessment tool. In summary, RiskScape is a software which offers a flexible risk analysis framework that calculates consequences to people, buildings, infrastructure, the environment, and other elements exposed to hazards. Accordingly, the overarching purpose of the software is to provide disaster risk professionals with information to understand such consequences, make evidence-based decisions and implement cost effective risk reduction
- The RiskScape pilot study of flooding impact on Balclutha will focus on those population groupings in Balclutha, which are exposed to imminent consequences of a flooding event, including the number of people who would be at risk and requiring evacuation from the identified sectors, and an estimate of livestock numbers in the affected areas
- Otago CDEM has been collating and sanitising exposure layers (Elements at Risk) such as demographics, building outlines, building values, building and residential occupancy use categories, livestock counts and locations of lifelines / infrastructure for use in RiskScape

Item 6.1.8 Financial Report (July 2020 – June 2021)

The table below covers year end totals for the Emergency Management targeted rate. Although there were some unexpected operational costs that related to COVID these were recouped during the year with a number of vacant positions in the group office.

<u>Annual Budget</u>	<u>Actual (Year End)</u>	<u>Variance</u>	<u>% +/-</u>
\$2,658,131.76	\$2,610,560.88	\$47,570.88	- 1.8

The 21/22 financial year has seen an 3% increase to the targeted rate; in the main to recoup a deficit in Emergency Management reserves currently sitting at \$430,710.00 (due to COVID).

<u>20 / 21 Annual Budget</u>	<u>21 / 22 Annual Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
\$2,658,131.76	\$2,959,065.31	\$300,933.55

A further increase is anticipated in the 22/23 financial year due to three additional positions that have been created as a result of the CDEM reorganisation. An accurate figure and percentage increase will be available at the conclusion of ORC annual planning process.

Recommendation:

That the Joint Committee receives this report.



Item: 6.3

Otago Civil Defence Emergency Management Joint Committee
23rd September 2021

RE: Iwi representation on Joint Committee

1. BACKGROUND

The question was raised during the previous Joint Committee meeting dated the 17th June 2021 regarding Iwi involvement in Otago's Joint Committee.

The question was raised by the Group Manager to get a sense of direction from the Committee prior to approaching Iwi partners.

The question was raised at that time regarding approaches by Other CDEM group around the country with the Taranaki Group identified as one that had Iwi membership with full voting rights.

Two action points were raised as a result:

1. Contact Taranaki CDEM Joint Committee to get their advice on their iwi representation, including if they received legal advice.
2. Include iwi representation on CDEM Joint Committee, as a discussion item on the Mana-to-Mana Agenda to be held on 6 July 2021

The issue being, at present, that this is not supported by legislation. There has been a strong signal from the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) that this will likely change during the current review of CDEM legislation.

Te Runanga O Ngai Tahu (TRONT) have been strongly advocating for full representation on the Joint Committee of the Otago CDEM Group. This initiative by TRONT aligns with current Government policy of greater self-determination and partnership (rangatiratanga) between Maori and the Crown and an increased commitment by TRONT to the welfare of its tribal members, marae, businesses, and estates during and after disasters, as illustrated in the commentary above.

Legislation:

Section 13 of the CDEM Act 2002 – Membership of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Groups (CDEMG) does not specifically state that other members can be co-opted onto the CDEMG. However, neither does it specifically forbid or prohibit such extended membership.

Section 20(1)e of the Act however allows the CDEMG to co-opt other persons onto the coordinating executive group (CEG).

13 - Membership of Civil Defence Emergency Management Groups

- (1) Every local authority must be a member of a Civil Defence Emergency Management Group.
- (2) No Group may have more than 1 regional council as a member unless a merger has been approved under [section 21](#).
- (3) Despite subsection (2), unitary authorities that border one another may be members of the same Group.
- (4) Each local authority that is a member of a Group with other local authorities must be represented on the Group by 1, and only 1, person, being the mayor or chairperson of that

local authority or an elected person from that local authority who has delegated authority to act for the mayor or chairperson.

20 - Appointment and functions of Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Groups

- (1) A Civil Defence Emergency Management Group must establish and maintain a Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group consisting of—
 - (a) the chief executive officer of each member local authority or a person acting on the chief executive officer's behalf; and
 - (b) a senior Police employee who is assigned for the purpose by the Commissioner of Police; and
 - (c) a senior employee, volunteer, or contractor of Fire and Emergency New Zealand who is assigned for the purpose by the board of Fire and Emergency New Zealand; and
 - (d) the chief executive or a senior member of a provider of health and disability services operating in the area; and
 - (e) any other persons that may be co-opted by the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group.

Ngāi Tahu Claims Settlement Act 1998

The Crown acknowledges Ngāi Tahu Rangatiratanga

“The Crown apologises to Ngāi Tahu for its past failures to acknowledge Ngāi Tahu rangatiratanga and mana over the South Island lands within its boundaries, and, in fulfilment of its Treaty obligations, the Crown recognises Ngāi Tahu as the tāngata whenua of, and as holding rangatiratanga within, the Takiwā of Ngāi Tahu Whānui.”

Consideration of the term “rangatiratanga” and its application to the emergency management environment should be undertaken i.e., chieftainship, right to exercise authority, chiefly autonomy, chiefly authority, ownership, leadership of a social group, domain of the Rangatira, noble birth, attributes of a chief.

National CDEM Position:

Currently Canterbury CDEMG, West Coast CDEMG, Manawatu-Whanganui CDEMG, Taranaki CDEMG and Northland CDEMG have (non-voting) Iwi representation at the Joint Committee level.

Ngai Tahu Position:

- 1.1. The Minister for Emergency Management, Hon Kiritapu Allan¹, was hosted at Te Whare o Te Waipounamu on 15 December 2020.
- 1.2. The information contained hereafter is a briefing note that provided key information points on Emergency Response activities undertaken by Ngāi Tahu and provided examples of recent emergencies they had responded to.

2. SUMMARY

- 2.1. The hui with the Minister provided Te Rūnanga an opportunity to highlight the number of significant emergency events that Ngāi Tahu whānau had been involved in and the level of response and contribution (i.e. cost) Te Rūnanga has provided.

¹ Also Minister of Conservation, Associate Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage and Associate Minister for the Environment

- 2.2. Te Rūnanga will also be advised the Minister that Ngāi Tahu is seeking to have representation in all emergency groups – Coordinating Executive Groups and Joint Committees within our takiwā (Otago, Southland, West Coast and Canterbury), with full voting rights.
- 2.3. As a priority, Te Rūnanga will be continuing to develop and deliver specific Marae and Whānau Emergency Preparedness Wānanga during the next three years. The objective of this kaupapa is to assist whānau in preparing for all emergency events, including pandemic resurgence (i.e. COVID).

3. KEY MESSAGES

3.1. Key messages for the hui included:

- a) Ngāi Tahu whānau have been involved in several significant emergency events in recent years, both within its takiwā and outside, these include:
 - Canterbury and Kaikōura earthquakes
 - March 2019 Terror Attacks
 - Australian Bushfires
 - West Coast Floods
 - Southland Floods
 - Napier Floods
 - COVID-19 (New Zealand and Australia)
- b) The response to these emergency events has varied due to the nature, duration and location of the event. Another contributing factor to the response activities provided by Ngāi Tahu has been dependent on the capacity and capability of our Papatipu Rūnanga (18) where the event has taken place.
- c) Summary of responses includes:
 - Canterbury Earthquake – heavily involved in the response, recovery and rebuild – culturally, environmentally and commercially
 - Kaikōura Earthquake – learnings from the Canterbury Earthquake were not included in the decision making or the recovery legislation. Relationships between iwi and Local Government and Central Government agencies have been improved immensely.
 - March Terror Attacks – Relationship with local agencies and the Muslim community was vital to the recovery efforts. The local Papatipu Rūnanga were closely involved with the Muslim community during the immediate days following the attack and continues to do so.
 - Australian Bushfires – Ten whānau members were evacuated from their homes in NSW and were contacted, as were three whānau members in Victoria at the beginning of the year.
 - West Coast Floods – Te Rūnanga Worked alongside West Coast CDEM to ensure all whānau and the community were supported
 - Southland Floods – Over 450 whānau members were in the flood affected areas of Gore and Maitai. 41 whānau members were offered pūtea manaaki, amounting to \$20,000.

- Napier Floods – Over 315 whānau members were in the flood affected areas of Napier Hill and South East Napier. Ten whānau members were offered pūtea manaaki, amounting to \$20,000.
 - COVID 19 – Ngāi Tahu is working with Government agencies to support its resurgence planning. For the COVID-19 response, Ngāi Tahu spent \$3.3 million in its tribal response activities. This included issuing grants for kaumātua, emergency relief fund for Ngāi Tahu households, support for Ngāi Tahu whānau businesses and mana whenua health providers.
- d) Te Rūnanga is seeking to have representation in all emergency groups – Coordinating Executive Groups and Joint Committees within our takiwā (Otago, Southland, West Coast and Canterbury). Progress is being made with this and Papatipu Rūnanga are being welcomed in these groups.
- e) Emergency Preparedness is a priority for Ngāi Tahu and supporting individual whānau and marae to plan for all emergencies. We have conducted several Whānau Emergency Wānanga (currently six of out 18 Papatipu Rūnanga) and will continue with the remainder of our Papatipu Rūnanga.
- f) Following this, Te Rūnanga will focus on delivering wānanga with Ngāi Tahu whānau outside our takiwā, through our Taurahere Roopu groups.
- g) As stated in our Ministerial Briefing for Emergency Management:

Ngāi Tahu will:

- Continue to seek Government support and funding to strengthen the relationship between ‘emergency agencies’, our 18 papatipu marae and our wider tribal networks.
- Seek to ensure an increase in representation of Ngāi Tahu at all levels of the emergency management system and on emergency response groups within the takiwā (such as Joint Committees and Coordinating Executive Groups). Ngāi Tahu recommends that reimbursement for involvement is made available for those representatives.
- Engage with Government on the collation and sharing of appropriate data and information to support timely and effective response and recovery activities.
- Actively work with Government to support whānau in resurgence planning for pandemic events.

Mana Whenua Position:

The point was raised at Mana to Mana on the 6th of July 2021. It was suggested by Mana Whenua in attendance at this meeting that Marae Managers could attend Joint Committee in the first instance to gain a deeper understanding of what would be required.

Recommendation:

That Otago Marae Managers from; Te Runguna o Otakou, Kati-Huirapa Rūnaka Puketeraki and Te Rūnanga o Moeraki be invited to attend the next Joint Committee meeting to observe and comment on proceedings.