

12. APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE TO THE CANTERBURY CIVIL DEFENCE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GROUP

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The purpose of this report is to recommend that the Council appoint its representative to the Canterbury Civil Defence Emergency Management Group (CDEMG).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In accordance with the requirements of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002, the CDEMG was established as a joint standing committee all Canterbury Councils, including this Council in early 2003. The CDEMG remained in existence following the local authority elections, as each member authority passed a resolution, pursuant to the Local Government Act, providing for the joint committee not to be discharged after each triennial election.

While it is not necessary to reconstitute the CDEMG, it is, however, necessary for the Council to appoint its representative for the 2004-07 term. The Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002 requires the Council to appoint the Mayor or an elected member as its representative. Councillor Sue Wells served in this capacity during the previous term of the Council. As the first meeting of the CDEMG is being held on Monday 15 November 2004, the Council needs to make an appointment at the present meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that:

1. The Council appoint its representative to the Canterbury Civil Defence Emergency Management Group.
2. The Council's representative be authorised, at any time and from time to time by notice in writing, to delegate to any other elected members of the Council authority to act as the Council's representative to the Canterbury Civil Defence Emergency Management Group.