

**HOUSING & COMMUNITY FACILITIES COMMITTEE  
20 December 2011**

**A meeting of the Housing & Community Facilities Committee was held in  
Committee Room 1, Civic Offices, 53 Hereford Street  
on 20 December 2011 at 10am**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Glen Livingstone (Chair)  
Councillors Ngaire Button (to 11.20 am), Yani Johanson and Aaron Keown

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Councillor Jimmy Chen

The Committee reports that:

**PART B - REPORTS FOR INFORMATION**

**2. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT**

**2.1 REGENERATION OF COUNCIL HOUSING**

Simon Fenwick and Stewart Chadwick addressed the Committee commenting that the Council had a large housing stock needing to be replaced. They were proposing a way to replace the housing at no cost to the Council, through taking the housing land and improving the housing density on it and at the same time creating communities.

They followed with a presentation covering "The Principles of Good Housing" and they provided two examples of how this could be achieved, utilising two Council Housing complexes.

**3. BRIEFINGS**

**3.1 CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL COMMUNITY FACILITIES – CONDITION UPDATE**

The General Manager Community Services provided information on the current status of Council Community Facilities significantly damaged as a consequence of earthquake events.

Further information was sought on:

- The status of the voluntary libraries
- How the Council might work in with other Community Facility owners to rebuild these facilities
- The work being done to maintain the look of a site when its building had been demolished
- What transitional community facilities was the Council putting in place
- Could the Council make available its various vacant sites for other uses temporarily
- What calls were being made as to the allocation of funds to community facilities to ensure fairness.

It was seen that if progress is to be made:

- The Insurance Council needed to be involved
- Funding is required to strengthen heritage buildings and make them more resilient.

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**3.2 CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL CITY HOUSING – UNITS CONDITION UPDATE  
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A similar status report was provided on the condition of units rendered uninhabitable, as a result of earthquake events, divided into:

- Units that are structurally damaged to the extent that they have been deemed unsafe
- Units that have been vacated due to infrastructure issues.

Further information was requested in regards to:

- Whether it was proposed to repair or replace Units
- Was the Government going to pay for repairs in the Red Zone? At what stage had discussion reached?
- What was the priority for repairs?

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

The Committee **decided** to receive the report.

The meeting concluded at 11.32 am.