

LOCAL CDEM ARRANGEMENTS

Introduction

The CDEM Act s48 requires every CDEM Group to prepare and approve a CDEM Group Plan. The CDEM Group is a partnership of local authorities, emergency services and other organisations tasked with providing effective and comprehensive CDEM within the Group area.

The local authority members of the Canterbury CDEM Group are:

- **Ashburton District Council**
- **Banks Peninsula District Council**
- **Christchurch City Council**
- **Environment Canterbury**
- **Kaikoura District Council**
- **Hurunui District Council**
- **Mackenzie District Council**
- **Selwyn District Council**
- **Timaru District Council**
- **Waimate District Council**
- **Waimakariri District Council**

It should be noted that when territorial authorities which are part of the area of more than one regional council, that territorial authority is required, by the CDEM Act s 14(2), to join one of the respective CDEM Groups. Although part of the Waitaki District falls within the boundaries of the local government region of Canterbury, Waitaki District Council has opted to join the Otago CDEM Group.

The broad purpose of the Group Plan is to assist the communities of Canterbury to be more aware of the significant hazards that they may face, and to better enable the community and emergency response organisations to be more resilient to those hazards in future.

To ensure that the CDEM requirements of each local authority in Canterbury have been fully considered, the Canterbury CDEM Group members decided that each partner local authority in conjunction with their communities and local emergency response partners would prepare Local CDEM Arrangements. Further, to provide for a fully integrated planning framework across the entire Canterbury Region these Arrangements would be incorporated into this Group Plan.

These Local Arrangements must be consistent with the overall Group Plan and the plans of neighbouring local authorities and local emergency response agencies.