

Meeting Notes of the First Meeting of the CERA Community Forum
7 July 2011, 7.30pm
Copthorne Commodore Hotel, Memorial Ave

- Present:** Hon Gerry Brownlee, Minister for Earthquake Recovery
Jane Bryden, Office of Hon Gerry Brownlee
Tim Hurdle, Office of Hon Gerry Brownlee
Community Forum Members
CERA:
- Roger Sutton, Chief Executive
 - Benesia Smith, Chief Advisor to the Chief Executive
 - **Withheld under section 9(2)(g)(i)**

The meeting commenced at 7pm

1 Minister's Office

1.1 Introductions

The Minister welcomed everyone present and asked that they introduce themselves and outline briefly their expectations of the Forum.

Forum members introduced themselves and detailed the sector or interest group they hoped to represent.

1.2 The Minister gave a brief outline of his vision for the Community Forum:

- the Forum represented a diverse range of community and sector groups
- the Forum was consciously established with a broad mandate so as to not limit their discussions
- the Forum could consider any issues they considered warranted that would add value to the process of recovery for the region
- the role was to provide information and feedback to the Minister and to the CERA CE
- information and feedback would be considered and every effort would be made to take it into operational consideration
- the expectation was that the discussions would be robust, but the Minister expressed a preference that those discussions take a broad approach to benefit the wider community and not focus merely on individual challenges
- the Forum would develop its own timetable and method of operations, as it considered appropriate to the mix of skills and interests represented.

The Minister noted he looked forward to working with the Community Forum.

2 CERA

- 2.1 Roger Sutton, CERA Chief Executive, introduced himself and committed CERA to providing briefings and other information necessary and requested by the Forum.

He noted that the recent land zoning decisions were the key focus at that time.

He suggested that the Forum might like to consider briefings at future meetings by other agencies, eg. EQC, GNS, CCC.

The next meeting was scheduled for 4 August 2011.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm.

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