

Memorandum to Margie Apa, Chief Executive

Auckland Anniversary and Cyclone Gabrielle Weather-event review

Date: 13 October 2023

From: Andrew Slater, Chief People Officer

Purpose

1. The memo summarises the ELT discussion and the agreed actions to close out of the review into Te Whatu Ora Auckland Anniversary and Cyclone Gabrielle response.

Background

2. On Tuesday 10 October at ELT a tabled the Emergency Management Teams (EMT) review and identified actions of the Auckland Anniversary and Cyclone Gabrielle responses.
3. We acknowledged the learnings and the wider work programme in response to those learnings. In general, there was support for the actions the Emergency Management function was putting in place in their wider work programme to ensure these learnings were addressed.
4. ELT also asked that I incorporate some broader reflections and learnings into our work programme and stakeholder engagement. Specifically, we wanted to ensure:
 - We noted the criticality of the inter-sectoral work and need for Te Whatu Ora and Te Aka Whai Ora to have strong relationships across the civil defence, local and central government. There was a request for this learning and messaging to be sent to key agencies, such as NEMA and the broader civil defence network and for us to look at how we ensure clarity of roles and responsibilities with these entities.
 - We noted the significant and enduring role marae, iwi and our hauora maori partners played in the response and the importance of more actively supporting and advocating for this marae-based support to recognised as a key and enduring element of emergency planning and response.
 - We will be integrating the learnings from the review of the impact of the response on our pacific communities which had been commissioned by the Pacific Health team.

Next steps

5. To ensure we capture and integrate these broader learnings. We will now:

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- Share this memo and the supporting documentation with the Government Commission of Inquiry
 - Contact NEMA and work through the best way to ensure the learnings are integrated into the planning for other events.
 - Build any further learnings into our wider work programme.
6. Proactively release this memo and the associated Appendices without redactions after we shared with Commission of Inquiry and NEMA.

Attachments

- Appendix 1: Post Incident Review
- Appendix 2: Pacific Health review

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