

# **SOLGM (Society of Local Government Managers) Risk Management Forum**

Summary of topics included:

## **Cyber Security in Public Practice**

- A presentation by PWC provided insights on:
  - How real and relevant Cyber Security risks are to you, and what should you actually be doing something about
  - How you can understand your risk better
  - Practical steps that can be taken to mitigate the risk and impact of cyber attacks
  - What to do to prepare for and what to do when there has been a breach

## **Your Audit & Risk Committee Chair and You: Getting the best from your Audit & Risk Committee**

- Jim Palmer, Bruce Robertson and Stephen Halliwell presented this session:
  - Gaining perspectives from three very experienced practitioners on how to advise, support and otherwise get the best from your Audit & Risk Committee

## **What's New in Local Government**

- A session presented by SOLGM's Raymond Horan highlighting the latest from SOLGM and other news relevant to LTP's.

## **Risk Management 101**

- A workshop session by Philip Jones of PJ and Associates discussing the fundamentals of risk management:
  - What is risk and why manage it
  - Defining uncertainty, consequence and likelihood scales
  - Some simple, but helpful assessment criteria
  - Applying risk assessments to decision-making
  - Risk Attitude

## **Risk & the 2021 LTP's**

- Raymond Horan presented a discussion on the key risk issues and components of the LTP and good practice.

## **BCP & Civil Defence**

- Emily Thompson, Audit & Risk Analyst of Whangarei District Council, presented on the respective roles of business continuity planning, civil defence and where one begins and the other ends.

## **Project AF8**

- A sobering presentation by Tom Wilson, Professor in Disaster Risk and Resilience, University of Canterbury:
  - Project AF8 draws science and civil defence/emergency management together to build an awareness of the Alpine Fault Hazard, produce a maximum credible event scenario including the impacts and plan for a coordinated initial response across New Zealand

## **Climate Change and the Withdrawal of Insurance**

- Belinda Storey of Climate Sigma presented on evidence from overseas suggesting that high insurance premiums and the unavailability of insurance has a stronger impact on private decision-making than the uncertain risk of extreme events. The presentation focused on research for the Deep South Science Challenge around coastal housing markets and their response should insurance become unavailable.

## **Marsh Insurance Presentation**

- Insurance markets are under increasing pressure to understand their customers' risk profile, customers and insurers are under increasing pressure to understand and provide information on their asset risk profiles. In short... the risks are increasing!

## **Climate Risk & LIMs**

- A practical session from Simpson Grierson focusing on climate risks and their disclosure to the public.

## **Risk Based Renewals**

- Jim Palmer presented the final session of the Forum which considered Infrastructure Strategies and planning for asset renewals.

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