



# **Hutt City Council**

## Community Facilities Seismic Assessments Petone Library - ISA Report

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# Executive summary

We have now completed an Initial Seismic Assessment (ISA) of Petone Library at 7A Britannia Street, Lower Hutt using the Initial Evaluation Procedure (IEP). The assessment was carried out after completing a site visit and inspection of building consent documentation.

The building was designed in 1984. This building includes engineered timber framed walls and timber columns. The building is currently used as a library. This building has been subject to an Initial Seismic Assessment (ISA).

The building was found to have a potential compliance of 85-95% (IL2) of a new building built to current standards **[85-95%NBS (IL2)]**.

As the potential performance is greater than 33% NBS ***this building should not be considered as potentially Earthquake Prone.***

The ISA is considered to provide a relatively quick, high-level and qualitative measure of the building's performance. A more reliable result will be obtained from a Detailed Seismic Assessment (DSA). A DSA could find Critical Structural Weaknesses (CSWs) not identified from the IEP, or it could find potential CSWs have been addressed in the design of the building. However the building is a single-level structure with lightweight construction and in good details, a DSA is identified as a low priority for this building.

*This report is subject to, and must be read in conjunction with, the limitations set out in section 1.4 and the assumptions and qualifications contained throughout the Report.*

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# 1. Introduction

## 1.1 Purpose of this report

This assessment has been carried out at the request of the building owner, Hutt City Council, as part of their program of seismic assessments of community facilities.

## 1.2 Assessment Methodology

The IEP procedure was developed in 2006 by the New Zealand Society for Earthquake Engineering (NZSEE) and updated in 2013 to reflect experience with its application and as a result of experience in the Canterbury earthquakes. It is a tool to assign a percentage of New Building Standard (%NBS) score and associated grade to a building as part of an initial seismic assessment of existing buildings.

The IEP enables territorial authorities, building owners and managers to review their building stock as part of an overall risk management process.

### Characteristics and limitations of the IEP include:

- An IEP assessment is primarily concerned with life safety. It does not consider the susceptibility of the building to damage, and therefore to economic losses.
- It tends to be somewhat conservative, identifying some buildings as earthquake prone, or having a lower %NBS score, which subsequent detailed investigation may indicate is less than actual performance. However, there will be exceptions, particularly when potential critical structural weaknesses (CSWs) are present that have not been recognised from the level of investigation employed.
- An IEP can be undertaken with variable levels of available information: e.g. exterior only inspection, structural drawings available or not, interior inspection, etc. The more information available, the more representative the IEP result is likely to be. The IEP records the information that has formed the basis of the assessment and consideration of this is important when determining the likely reliability of the result.
- It is an initial, first-stage review. Buildings or specific issues which the IEP process flags as being problematic or as potentially critical structural weaknesses need further detailed investigation and evaluation. A Detailed Seismic Assessment is recommended if the seismic status of a building is critical to any decision making.
- The IEP assumes that buildings have been designed and built in accordance with the building standard and good practice current at the time. In some instances, a building may include design features ahead of its time, leading to better than predicted performance. Conversely, some unidentified design or construction issues not picked up by the IEP process may result in the building performing not as well as predicted.
- It is a largely qualitative process, and should be undertaken or overseen by an experienced engineer. It involves considerable knowledge of the earthquake behaviour of buildings, and judgement as to key attributes and their effect on building performance. Consequently, it is possible that the %NBS derived for a building by independent experienced engineers may differ.
- An IEP may over-penalise some apparently critical features which could have been satisfactorily taken into account in the design.

- An IEP does not take into account the seismic performance of non-structural items such as ceilings, plant, services or general glazing that are not considered to present a significant life safety hazard.

Experience to date is that the IEP is a useful tool to identify potential issues and expected overall performance of a building in an earthquake. However, the process and the associated %NBS and grade should be considered as only indicative of the building's compliance with current code requirements. A detailed investigation and analysis of the building will typically be required to provide a definitive assessment.

An IEP score above 34%NBS should be considered sufficient to classify the building as not potentially earthquake prone. However, if further information comes available reassessment may be required.

### **Council Policies and Earthquake Prone Buildings (EPB)**

The Building Act and its provisions for Earthquake Prone Buildings have been revised in April 2016 and enacted in July 2017. Some of the changes include nationalizing the policies to reduce regional variation and to create a distinction between different building types. The current time frame for assessment of building in the HCC area is 5 years based on the new legislation came into force on 1 July 2017.

### **1.3 Scope and limitations**

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## 2. Building History

### 2.1 Reference Documents

At your request, we have inspected the plans and available records for this building, visited the site, and carried out an assessment for the earthquake risk aspects.

The information we have used for our IEP assessment includes:

- Structural drawings
- Exterior & interior inspection
- GNS Wellington Region Site Subsoil Maps

The building on the site is as identified below:



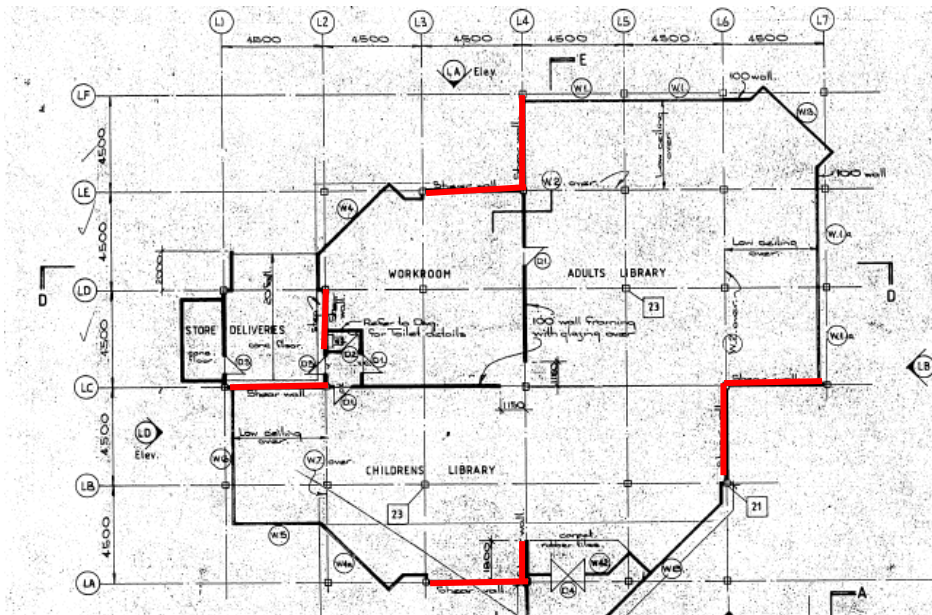
**Figure 1 Building Location**

### 2.2 Structural System

Petone Library is a single-storey building, which was built in 1980s.

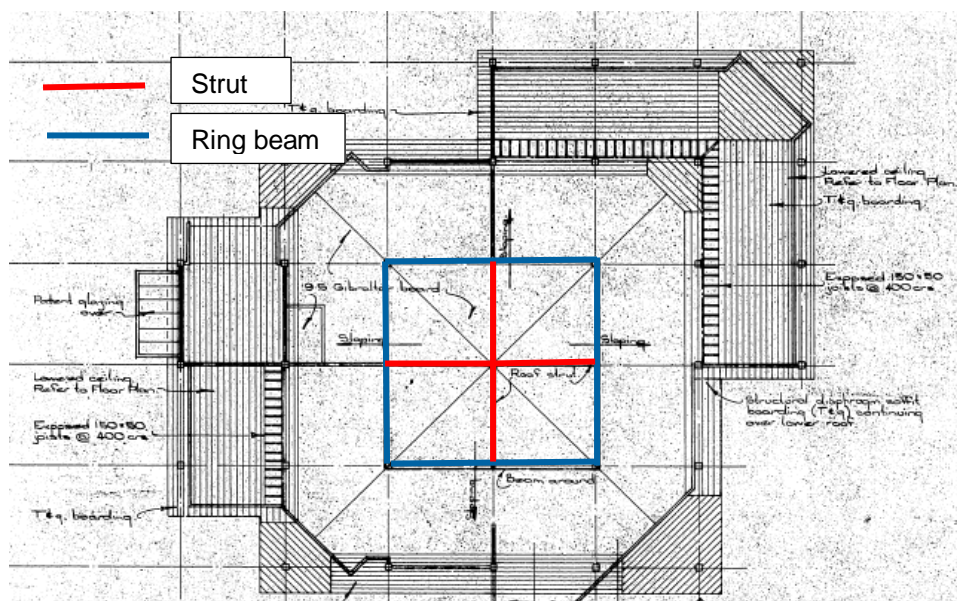
The building is engineered timber frame construction with shear walls in both transverse and longitudinal directions. When the structure is subjected to seismic load, the lateral loads from the roof self-weight are transferred to the timber walls. The in-plane shear walls resist these lateral loads and self-weight through shear wall action. The shear wall location is shown on Figure 2.





**Figure 2 Location of shear walls**

Glulam ring beams are located beneath the mid span of the rafters to support the rafters. Refer to Figure 3 and 4 for struts and ring beams arrangement. Four twin struts perpendicularly support the ring beams, and transfer loading from roof level to the central internal timber column through bolted connection.



**Figure 3 Location of struts and ring beams**



**Figure 4 Twin struts and ring beams**

Generally the interior of Petone Library appears to be in good condition. Cracking was observed at the joint of two panels on the ceiling and walls.

This structural system is summarised further in Appendix 1 – structural system.

### **2.3 Vulnerabilities**

The roof is sitting on the top of engineered timber columns. Differing degrees of decay were found at the base of external columns. This may reduce the strength of the columns and connections over time. The column bases have been detailed for sitting on a free draining concrete surface. The gradual modification of surrounding landscaping has compromised the durability of the column ends.



**Figure 5 Degradation to column base**

## 3. Assessment Calculations

### 3.1 Calculation Summary

The key assumptions made during our assessment are shown in Table 1 Refer also to the attached IEP assessment.

**Table 1 – IEP Parameters and Assumptions**

IEP Item	Assumption	Justification
Date of building Design	1984	
Subsoil Type	D	Based on GNS Wellington Region Site Subsoil Maps
Ductility of structure	2.0	Engineered timber frame construction in both transverse and longitudinal directions.
Plan irregularity factor, A	1.0 (Both dir.)	No irregularity observed.
Vertical irregularity factor, B	1.0 (Both dir.)	No irregularity observed.
Short columns factor, C	1.0 (Both dir.)	N/A
Pounding factor, D	1.0 (Both dir.)	Refer to IEP report for further details.
Site characteristic	Insignificant	GNS Wellington Region Liquefaction Map shows that high/very high liquefaction risk for this site. However, the building is considered as resilient structure type for liquefaction event as it is a single-storey building.
F factor	1.25 (Both dir.)	Based on our inspection and review of available documents, the building is a single-storey building constructed of light-weight materials. The timber frame is in good details, and in relatively good condition.

Our IEP assessment of this building indicates it can achieve **90% NBS** in both longitudinal and transverse directions. The IEP assessment of the building therefore indicates an overall score of **90% NBS**, corresponding to a **Grade A building** as defined by the New Zealand Society for Earthquake Engineering building grading scheme.

This is above the threshold for earthquake risk buildings (67%NBS) as recommended by the NZSEE. The key assumptions made during our assessment are shown in Table 1. Refer also to the attached IEP assessment.

### 3.2 IEP Grades and Relative Risk

Table 2 taken from the NZSEE Guidelines provides the basis of a proposed grading system for existing buildings, as one way of interpreting the %NBS building score. It can be seen that occupants in Earthquake Prone buildings (less than 34%NBS) are exposed to more than 10 times the risk that they would be in a similar new building. For buildings that are Earthquake Risk (less than 67%NBS), but not Earthquake Prone, the risk is at least 5 times greater than that of an equivalent new building. Broad descriptions of the life-safety risk can be assigned to the building grades as shown in Table 2.

**Table 2: Relative Earthquake Risk**

Building Grade	Percentage of New Building Standard (%NBS)	Approx. Risk Relative to a New Building	Life-safety Risk Description
A+	>100	<1	low risk
A	80 to 100	1 to 2 times	low risk
B	67 to 79	2 to 5 times	low or medium risk
C	34 to 66	5 to 10 times	medium risk
D	20 to 33	10 to 25 times	high risk
E	<20	more than 25 times	very high risk

This building has been classified by the IEP as a **Grade A building** and is therefore considered to be a **low risk structure**.

The New Zealand Society for Earthquake Engineering (which provides authoritative advice to the legislation makers, and should be considered to represent the consensus view of New Zealand structural engineers) classifies a buildings achieving greater than 67%NBS as “Low Risk”, and having “Acceptable (improvement may be desirable)” building structural performance.

### **3.3 Seismic Restraint of Non-Structural Items**

During an earthquake, the safety of people can be put at risk due to non-structural items falling on them. These items should be adequately seismically restrained, where possible, to the NZS 4219:2009 “The Seismic Performance of Engineering Systems in Buildings”.

An assessment has not been made of the bracing of the ceilings, in-ceiling ducting, services and plant. We have also not checked whether tall or heavy furniture has been seismically restrained or not. These issues are outside the scope of this initial assessment but could be the subject of another investigation.

## **4. Recommendations**

The completed assessment gives a %NBS of >33 % and therefore, the **building should not be classed as potentially earthquake prone**.

The ISA is considered to provide a relatively quick, high-level and qualitative measure of the building’s performance. In order to confirm the seismic performance of this building with more reliability you may wish to request a DSA.

A DSA was also investigate other potential weaknesses that may not have been considered in the initial seismic assessment.

We trust this satisfies your requirements at this stage, however please contact the undersigned should you require any further information.

# Appendices

# Appendix A Structural System Summary

**Table 3 – Assessment Information**

2. Assessment Information	
Consulting Practice	GHD Limited
CPEng Responsible, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Name</li> <li>CPEng number</li> <li>A statement of suitable skills and experience in the seismic assessment of existing buildings<sup>1</sup></li> </ul>	Amy Williams CPEng number: 228129 Amy has over 17 years' experience practising as structural engineer in New Zealand. She has maintained CPEng Status since 2005. Amy has been involved in the assessment and design of seismic remedial works throughout her career. She has maintained currency in this field through attendance of regular NZSEE/MBIE training events.
Documentation reviewed, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>date/ version of drawings/ calculations<sup>2</sup></li> <li>previous seismic assessments</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Original drawings dated 1984.</li> <li>No drawings of renovation work available</li> </ul>
Geotechnical Report(s)	Site subsoil type is based on GNS Wellington Region Site Subsoil Maps
Date(s) Building Inspected and extent of inspection	Date of initial seismic assessment inspection: 22/05/2018
Description of any structural testing undertaken and results summary	N/A
Previous Assessment Reports	N/A
Other Relevant Information	N/A

<sup>1</sup> This should include reference to the engineer's Practice Field being in Structural Engineering, and commentary on experience in seismic assessment and recent relevant training

<sup>2</sup> Or justification of assumptions if no drawings were able to be obtained

**Table 4 – Structural System Summary**

Number of Storeys	1 storey
Gross Floor Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Approx. 490 m <sup>2</sup>
Year of Design (approximate)	1984, drawings available from December 1984.
Current use	Library
Importance Level (IL)	IL2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The building is a public building but not a public assembly building.</li> <li>• The building is not designated as post-disaster</li> </ul>
Structural Alterations	Building appears to be built in 1980s (as per available drawings).
Basement	None
Gravity Load Resisting System	Lightweight timber roof supported by engineered timber ring beams and columns.
Lateral Load Resisting System	The lateral loads from roof self-weight are transferred to in-plane shear walls in both transverse and longitudinal directions.  Glulam ring beams are located beneath the mid span of the rafters. Four twin struts perpendicularly support the ring beams, and transfer loading through the connection to the central internal timber column.
Wall/Cladding/Roof System	Decramastic tiles cladded roof, external wall cladding comprised GRC panels below windows and rusticated boarding on timber-framed walls
Floor System	Slab on grade
Foundation System	Slab on grade with local pad footings
Geotechnical Considerations	Based on GNS Wellington Region Site Subsoil Maps the subsoil classification for the site is considered to be Class D in accordance with NZS1170.5:2004.





## **Appendix B** Initial Evaluation Form

**Initial Evaluation Procedure (IEP) Assessment - Completed for Hutt City Council**

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AKA:		By:	RC
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**Table IEP-1 Initial Evaluation Procedure Step 1**

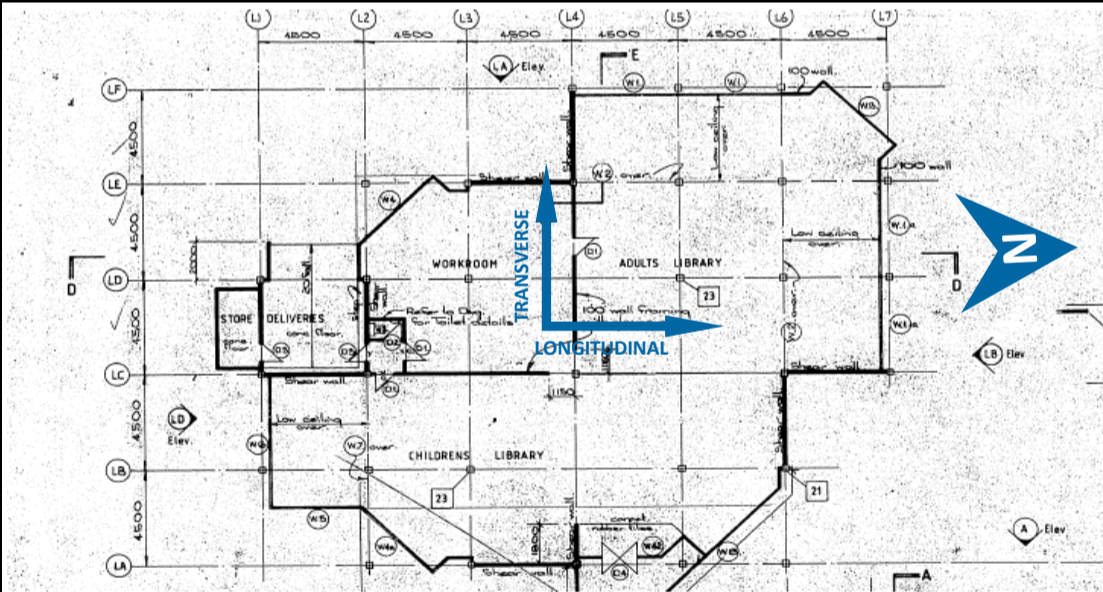
**Step 1 - General Information**

**1.1 Photos (attach sufficient to describe building)**



NOTE: THERE ARE MORE PHOTOS ON PAGE 1a ATTACHED

**1.2 Sketches (plans etc, show items of interest)**



NOTE: THERE ARE MORE SKETCHES ON PAGE 1a ATTACHED

**1.3 List relevant features (Note: only 10 lines of text will print in this box. If further text required use Page 1a)**

Petone Library is a single storey building, which was constructed in 1980s. The building is engineered timber construction. Roof cladding is Shingle tiles. The seismic resisting features include the followings:

1. Timber shear walls in both transverse and longitudinal directions
2. Twin timber struts perpendicularly connected to glulam ring beams in both directions

**1.4 Note information sources**

Tick as appropriate

Visual Inspection of Exterior	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Visual Inspection of Interior	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Drawings (note type)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Specifications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Geotechnical Reports	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other (list)	<input type="checkbox"/>

Structural drawings: original design, dated 1984. Site subsoil type is based on GNS Wellington Region Site Subsoil Maps.

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**Table IEP-2 Initial Evaluation Procedure Step 2**

**Step 2 - Determination of (%NBS)<sub>b</sub>**

(Baseline (%NBS) for particular building - refer Section B5 )

**2.1 Determine nominal (%NBS) = (%NBS)<sub>nom</sub>**

**a) Building Strengthening Data**

Tick if building is known to have been strengthened in this direction

If strengthened, enter percentage of code the building has been strengthened to

Longitudinal

Transverse



N/A

N/A

**b) Year of Design/Strengthening, Building Type and Seismic Zone**

- Pre 1935
- 1935-1965
- 1965-1976
- 1976-1984
- 1984-1992
- 1992-2004
- 2004-2011
- Post Aug 2011

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- 1935-1965
- 1965-1976
- 1976-1984
- 1984-1992
- 1992-2004
- 2004-2011
- Post Aug 2011

Building Type: Not applicable

Not applicable

Seismic Zone: Zone A

Zone A

**c) Soil Type**

From NZS1170.5:2004, CI 3.1.3 :

D Soft Soil

D Soft Soil

From NZS4203:1992, CI 4.6.2.2 :  
(for 1992 to 2004 and only if known)

Not applicable

Not applicable

**d) Estimate Period, T**

Comment:

Engineered timber frame building

h<sub>n</sub> = 10  
A<sub>c</sub> = 1.00

10 m  
1.00 m<sup>2</sup>

- Moment Resisting Concrete Frames:  $T = \max\{0.09h_n^{0.75}, 0.4\}$
- Moment Resisting Steel Frames:  $T = \max\{0.14h_n^{0.75}, 0.4\}$
- Eccentrically Braced Steel Frames:  $T = \max\{0.08h_n^{0.75}, 0.4\}$
- All Other Frame Structures:  $T = \max\{0.06h_n^{0.75}, 0.4\}$
- Concrete Shear Walls:  $T = \max\{0.09h_n^{0.75}/A_c^{0.5}, 0.4\}$
- Masonry Shear Walls:  $T \leq 0.4\text{sec}$
- User Defined (input Period):

Where h<sub>n</sub> = height in metres from the base of the structure to the uppermost seismic weight or mass.

T: 0.40

0.40

**e) Factor A:** Strengthening factor determined using result from (a) above (set to 1.0 if not strengthened)

Factor A: 1.00

1.00

**f) Factor B:** Determined from NZSEE Guidelines Figure 3A.1 using results (a) to (e) above

Factor B: 0.20

0.20

**g) Factor C:** For reinforced concrete buildings designed between 1976-84 Factor C = 1.2, otherwise take as 1.0.

Factor C: 1.00

1.00

**h) Factor D:** For buildings designed prior to 1935 Factor D = 0.8 except for Wellington and Napier (1931-1935) where Factor D may be taken as 1.0, otherwise take as 1.0.

Factor D: 1.00

1.00

(%NBS)<sub>nom</sub> = Ax BxCxD

(%NBS)<sub>nom</sub> 20%

20%

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**Table IEP-2 Initial Evaluation Procedure Step 2 continued**

**2.2 Near Fault Scaling Factor, Factor E**

If  $T \leq 1.5\text{sec}$ , Factor E = 1

a) Near Fault Factor,  $N(T,D)$

(from NZS1170.5:2004, Cl 3.1.6)

Longitudinal

N(T,D):

Transverse

b) Factor E

=  $1/N(T,D)$

Factor E:

**2.3 Hazard Scaling Factor, Factor F**

a) Hazard Factor, Z, for site

Location:  Refer right for user-defined locations

Z =  (from NZS1170.5:2004, Table 3.3)

Z<sub>1992</sub> =  (NZS4203:1992 Zone Factor from accompanying Figure 3.5(b))

Z<sub>2004</sub> =  (from NZS1170.5:2004, Table 3.3)

b) Factor F

For pre 1992

=  $1/Z$

For 1992-2011

=  $Z_{1992}/Z$

For post 2011

=  $Z_{2004}/Z$

Factor F:

**2.4 Return Period Scaling Factor, Factor G**

a) Design Importance Level, I

(Set to 1 if not known. For buildings designed prior to 1965 and known to be designed as a public building set to 1.25. For buildings designed 1965-1976 and known to be designed as a public building set to 1.33 for Zone A or 1.2 for Zone B. For 1976-1984 set I value.)

I =

b) Design Risk Factor, R<sub>o</sub>

(set to 1.0 if other than 1976-2004, or not known)

R<sub>o</sub> =

c) Return Period Factor, R

(from NZS1170.0:2004 Building Importance Level)

Choose Importance Level

1  2  3  4

1  2  3  4

R =

d) Factor G

=  $IR_o/R$

Factor G:

**2.5 Ductility Scaling Factor, Factor H**

a) Available Displacement Ductility Within Existing Structure

Comment:

The building is a engineered timber frame building, which was designed and built in 1980s.

$\mu$  =

b) Factor H

For pre 1976 (maximum of 2)  
For 1976 onwards

=  $k_\mu$   
= 1.57  
= 1

$k_\mu$   
1.57  
1

Factor H:

(where  $k_\mu$  is NZS1170.5:2004 Inelastic Spectrum Scaling Factor, from accompanying Table 3.3)

**2.6 Structural Performance Scaling Factor, Factor I**

a) Structural Performance Factor, S<sub>p</sub>

(from accompanying Figure 3.4)

Tick if light timber-framed construction in this direction

S<sub>p</sub> =

b) Structural Performance Scaling Factor

=  $1/S_p$

Factor I:

Note Factor B values for 1992 to 2004 have been multiplied by 0.67 to account for S<sub>p</sub> in this period

**2.7 Baseline %NBS for Building, (%NBS)<sub>b</sub>**

(equals (%NBS)<sub>nom</sub> x E x F x G x H x I )

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**Table IEP-3 Initial Evaluation Procedure Step 3**

**Step 3 - Assessment of Performance Achievement Ratio (PAR)**

(Refer Appendix B - Section B3.2)

**a) Longitudinal Direction**

potential CSWs	Effect on Structural Performance (Choose a value - Do not interpolate)	Factors
<b>3.1 Plan Irregularity</b> Effect on Structural Performance <input type="radio"/> Severe <input type="radio"/> Significant <input checked="" type="radio"/> Insignificant No plan irregularity		Factor A 1.0
<b>3.2 Vertical Irregularity</b> Effect on Structural Performance <input type="radio"/> Severe <input type="radio"/> Significant <input checked="" type="radio"/> Insignificant Single storey building - no vertical irregularity		Factor B 1.0
<b>3.3 Short Columns</b> Effect on Structural Performance <input type="radio"/> Severe <input type="radio"/> Significant <input checked="" type="radio"/> Insignificant N/A		Factor C 1.0

**3.4 Pounding Potential**

(Estimate D1 and D2 and set D = the lower of the two, or 1.0 if no potential for pounding, or consequences are considered to be minimal)

**a) Factor D1: - Pounding Effect**

**Note:**  
Values given assume the building has a frame structure. For stiff buildings (eg shear walls), the effect of pounding may be reduced by taking the coefficient to the right of the value applicable to frame buildings.

**Factor D1 For Longitudinal Direction:** 1.0

Table for Selection of Factor D1		Severe	Significant	Insignificant
Separation		0<Sep<.005H	.005<Sep<.01H	Sep>.01H
Alignment of Floors within 20% of Storey Height		<input type="radio"/> 1	<input type="radio"/> 1	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 1
Alignment of Floors not within 20% of Storey Height		<input type="radio"/> 0.4	<input type="radio"/> 0.7	<input type="radio"/> 0.8

Comment

**b) Factor D2: - Height Difference Effect**

**Factor D2 For Longitudinal Direction:** 1.0

Table for Selection of Factor D2		Severe	Significant	Insignificant
Separation		0<Sep<.005H	.005<Sep<.01H	Sep>.01H
Height Difference > 4 Storeys		<input type="radio"/> 0.4	<input type="radio"/> 0.7	<input type="radio"/> 1
Height Difference 2 to 4 Storeys		<input type="radio"/> 0.7	<input type="radio"/> 0.9	<input type="radio"/> 1
Height Difference < 2 Storeys		<input type="radio"/> 1	<input type="radio"/> 1	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 1

Comment

**Factor D** 1.0

**3.5 Site Characteristics - Stability, landslide threat, liquefaction etc as it affects the structural performance from a life-safety perspective**

Effect on Structural Performance <input type="radio"/> Severe <input type="radio"/> Significant <input checked="" type="radio"/> Insignificant	Factor E	1.0
GNS Wellington Region Liquefaction Map shows that high/very high liquefaction risk for this site. The building is considered as resilient structure type for liquefaction event, as it is a single-storey building.		

**3.6 Other Factors - for allowance of all other relevant characteristics of the building**

For ≤ 3 storeys - Maximum value 2.5  
otherwise - Maximum value 1.5.  
No minimum.

**Record rationale for choice of Factor F:**

The building is a single-storey building, light weight materials construction. The timber frame is in good detailed, and in good condition.

**Factor F** 1.3

**3.7 Performance Achievement Ratio (PAR)**

(equals A x B x C x D x E x F)

**PAR**  
**Longitudinal** 1.25

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**Table IEP-3 Initial Evaluation Procedure Step 3**

**Step 3 - Assessment of Performance Achievement Ratio (PAR)**

(Refer Appendix B - Section B3.2)

**b) Transverse Direction**

potential CSWs	Effect on Structural Performance (Choose a value - Do not interpolate)	Factors
<b>3.1 Plan Irregularity</b> Effect on Structural Performance <input type="radio"/> Severe <input type="radio"/> Significant <input checked="" type="radio"/> Insignificant No plan irregularity		<b>Factor A</b> 1.0
<b>3.2 Vertical Irregularity</b> Effect on Structural Performance <input type="radio"/> Severe <input type="radio"/> Significant <input checked="" type="radio"/> Insignificant Single storey - no vertical irregularity		<b>Factor B</b> 1.0
<b>3.3 Short Columns</b> Effect on Structural Performance <input type="radio"/> Severe <input type="radio"/> Significant <input checked="" type="radio"/> Insignificant N/A		<b>Factor C</b> 1.0

**3.4 Pounding Potential**

(Estimate D1 and D2 and set D = the lower of the two, or 1.0 if no potential for pounding, or consequences are considered to be minimal)

**a) Factor D1: - Pounding Effect**

**Note:**  
Values given assume the building has a frame structure. For stiff buildings (eg shear walls), the effect of pounding may be reduced by taking the coefficient to the right of the value applicable to frame buildings.

**Factor D1 For Transverse Direction:** 1.0

Table for Selection of Factor D1	Severe 0<Sep<.005H	Significant .005<Sep<.01H	Insignificant Sep>.01H
Alignment of Floors within 20% of Storey Height	<input type="radio"/> 1	<input type="radio"/> 1	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 1
Alignment of Floors not within 20% of Storey Height	<input type="radio"/> 0.4	<input type="radio"/> 0.7	<input type="radio"/> 0.8
Comment			

**b) Factor D2: - Height Difference Effect**

**Factor D2 For Transverse Direction:** 1.0

Table for Selection of Factor D2	Severe 0<Sep<.005H	Significant .005<Sep<.01H	Insignificant Sep>.01H
Height Difference > 4 Storeys	<input type="radio"/> 0.4	<input type="radio"/> 0.7	<input type="radio"/> 1
Height Difference 2 to 4 Storeys	<input type="radio"/> 0.7	<input type="radio"/> 0.9	<input type="radio"/> 1
Height Difference < 2 Storeys	<input type="radio"/> 1	<input type="radio"/> 1	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 1
Comment			

**Factor D** 1.0

**3.5 Site Characteristics - Stability, landslide threat, liquefaction etc as it affects the structural performance from a life-safety perspective**

Effect on Structural Performance <input type="radio"/> Severe <input type="radio"/> Significant <input checked="" type="radio"/> Insignificant	<b>Factor E</b> 1.0
GNS Wellington Region Liquefaction Map shows that high/very high liquefaction risk for this site. The building is considered as resilient structure type for liquefaction event, as it is a single-storey building.	

**3.6 Other Factors - for allowance of all other relevant characteristics of the building**

For ≤ 3 storeys - Maximum value 2.5  
otherwise - Maximum value 1.5.  
No minimum.

**Factor F** 1.25

**Record rationale for choice of Factor F:**

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**3.7 Performance Achievement Ratio (PAR)**

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**PAR**  
**Transverse** 1.25

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**Table IEP-4 Initial Evaluation Procedure Steps 4, 5, 6 and 7**

**Step 4 - Percentage of New Building Standard (%NBS)**

	Longitudinal	Transverse
4.1 Assessed Baseline %NBS (%NBS) <sub>b</sub> (from Table IEP - 1)	71%	71%
4.2 Performance Achievement Ratio (PAR) (from Table IEP - 2)	1.25	1.25
4.3 PAR x Baseline (%NBS) <sub>b</sub>	90%	90%
4.4 Percentage New Building Standard (%NBS) - Seismic Rating (Use lower of two values from Step 4.3)		90%

**Step 5 - Is %NBS < 34?**

NO

**Step 6 - Potentially Earthquake Risk (is %NBS < 67)?**

NO

**Step 7 - Provisional Grading for Seismic Risk based on IEP**

Seismic Grade **A**

**Additional Comments (items of note affecting IEP based seismic rating)**

**Relationship between Grade and %NBS:**

<b>Grade:</b>	<b>A+</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>
<b>%NBS:</b>	<b>&gt; 100</b>	<b>100 to 80</b>	<b>79 to 67</b>	<b>66 to 34</b>	<b>&lt; 34 to 20</b>	<b>&lt; 20</b>

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**Table IEP-5 Initial Evaluation Procedure Step 8**

**Step 8 - Identification of potential Severe Structural Weaknesses (SSWs) that could result in significant risk to a significant number of occupants**

- 8.1 Number of storeys above ground level 1
- 8.2 Presence of heavy concrete floors and/or concrete roof? (Y/N) N

**Potential Severe Structural Weaknesses (SSWs):**


Note: Options that are greyed out are not applicable and need not be considered.

**Occupancy not considered to be significant - no further consideration required**

**Risk not considered to be significant - no further consideration required**

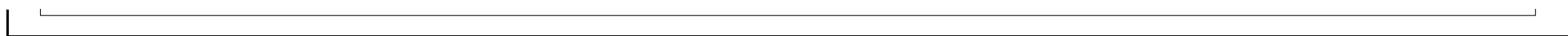
The following potential Severe Structural Weaknesses (SSWs) have been identified in the building that could result in significant risk to a significant number of occupants:

- 1. None identified
- 2. Weak or soft storey (except top storey)
- 3. Brittle columns and/or beam-column joints the deformations of which are not constrained by other structural elements
- 4. Flat slab buildings with lateral capacity reliant on low ductility slab-to-column connections
- 5. No identifiable connection between primary structure and diaphragms
- 6. Ledge and gap stairs

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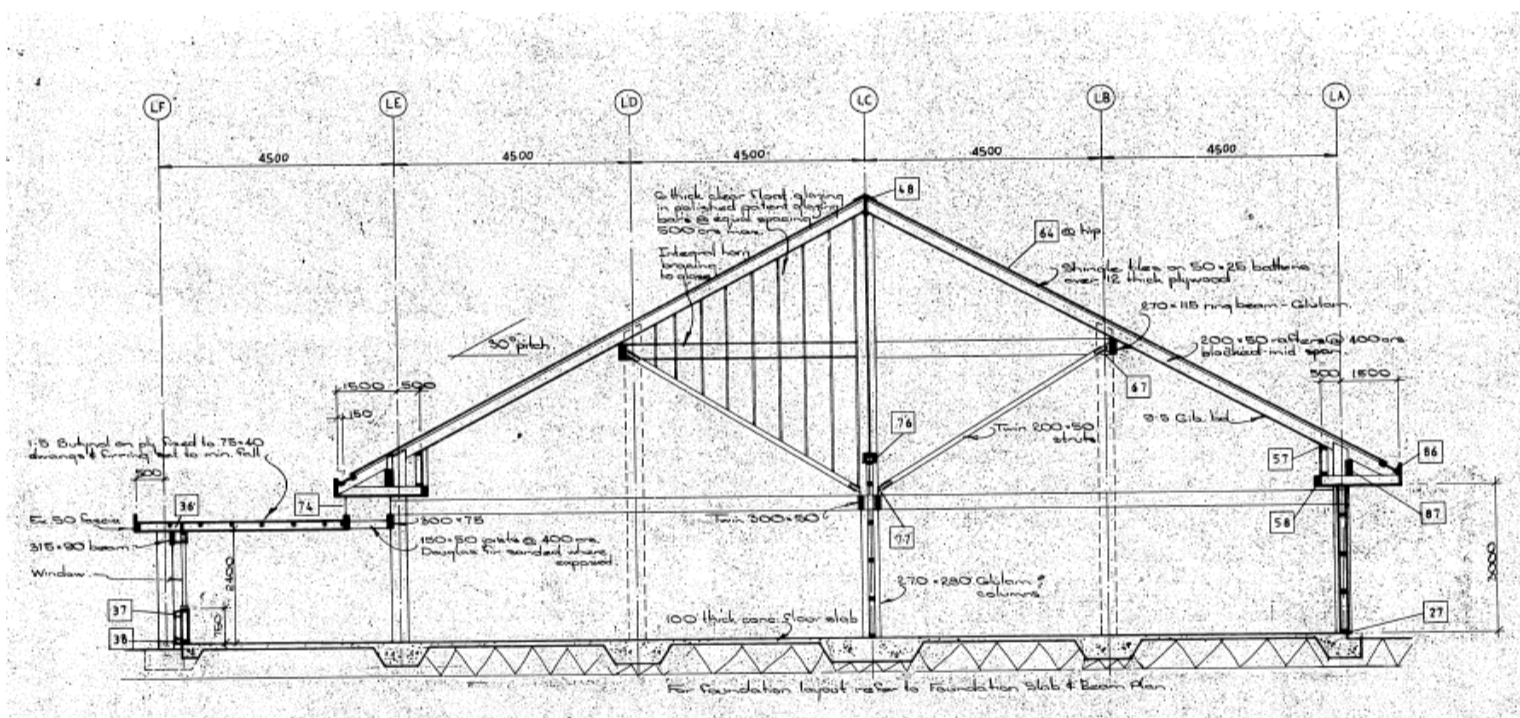
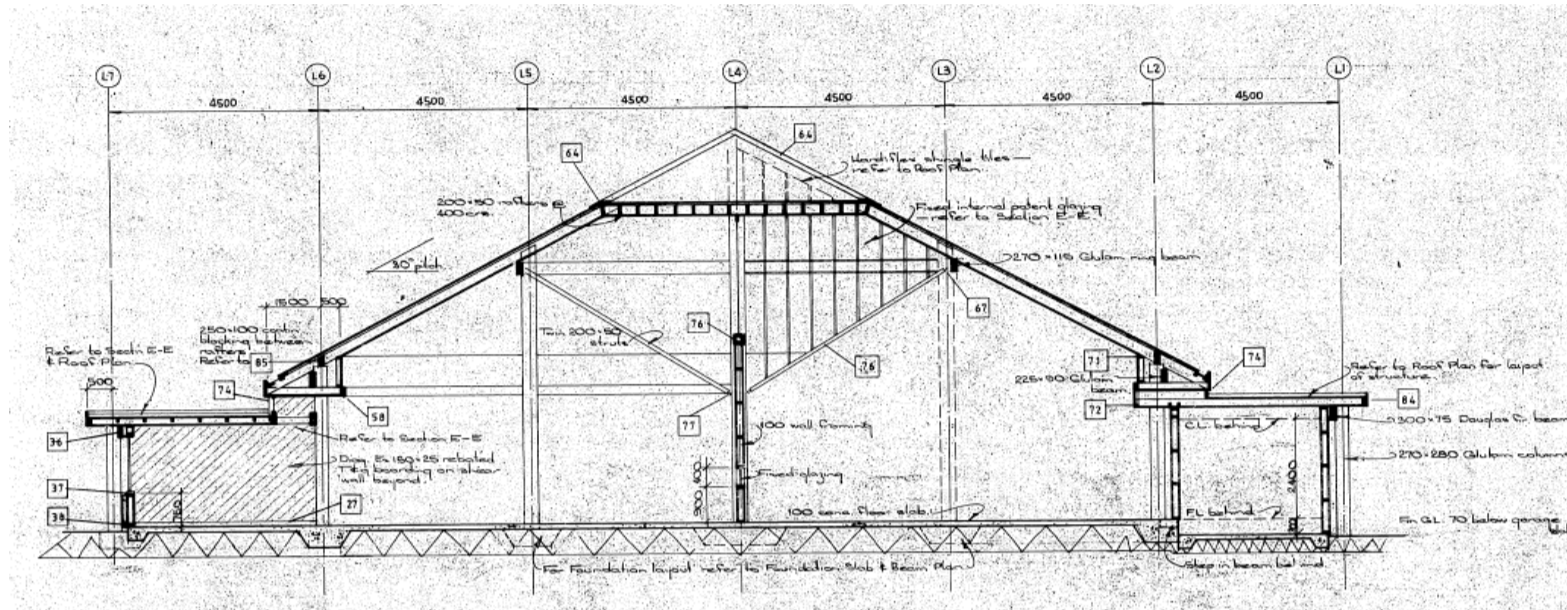
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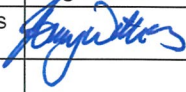
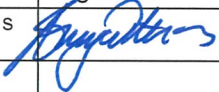
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