

OPEN BRIEFING ON SEAVIEW WHARF RESILIENCE PROJECT

16 JUNE 2021 – 4.45PM



ATTENDEES

Elected Members: Mayor Barry, Cr Briggs, Cr Brown, Cr Dyer, Cr Edwards, Cr Hislop, Cr Mitchell, Cr Shaw and Cr Rasheed

Staff: Ms J Miller, Chief Executive, Ms H Oram, Director of Environment and Sustainability, Mr K Puketapu-Dentice, Director of Economy and Development and Ms J Randall, Democracy Advisor

Presenters: Mr D Nind, Mr A Delaney and Mr W Woods from CentrePort Ltd and Mr B Cooper from Mettleworks Ltd.

APOLOGIES

Elected Members: Deputy Mayor Lewis, Cr Sutton

ABSENCE

Elected Members: Cr Milne

KEY OBJECTIVES OF THE BRIEFING

The purpose of the briefing is for CentrePort to provide an update on the Seaview Wharf Resilience Project to elected members.

PRESENTATION

Slide 1 – **Video** showcasing CentrePort.

Slide 2 – **Economic value to central New Zealand:** CentrePort activity adds billions of economic value to NZ.

Slide 3 – **Regeneration:** There are four key elements to our activities – our people, our environment, our community, our customers.

Slide 4 – **Seaview Wharf, Location:** The majority of Wellington’s bulk fuel trade is through Seaview Wharf.

Slide 5 – **Seaview energy resilience project- why?:** Seaview Wharf is critical for energy security and as a lifeline asset in an earthquake event. Replacement and upgrade is needed due to its age and condition. Wellington has a naturally deep harbour and there is no alternative location. There are not enough trucks and drivers in New Zealand to use roads. The wharf is old and it is situated in a harsh environment. It also suffered earthquake damage.

- Slide 6 – **Three stages:** The replacement and upgrade programme will take place in three stages. Work on pipeline replacement has already begun.
- Slide 7 – **Stage 2, 2021-2023:** Design of the main wharf is in progress. The wharf renewal will begin in late 2021 with completion by 2023. CentrePort is working on environmental management and engaging with the Eastbourne and Petone Community Boards as well as others who use the harbour. There are multiple projects happening within the harbour so CentrePort will be working with all of these bodies.
- Slide 8 – **Main wharf head and dolphin – design 3D:** Design proposal shown in 3D. The design will make the asset more resilient. It will need to be built around the operations of the wharf.
- Slide 9 – **Port activity update (video):** CentrePort has been fixing damage to sea walls and demolishing buildings that were damaged in earthquake. It is building capacity and space in order to facilitate the work required. The return of rail has increased the capacity of the port. CentrePort is working to build berth capacity so it can build productivity.

QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION POINTS

- In the event of a major earthquake Seaview Wharf could not be used for shipping because it does not have a large deck for cargo. It is a petroleum-only wharf.
- Members of the public will not be able to use Seaview Wharf while Pt Howard Wharf is under repair for health and safety reasons.
- Fuel that leaves Seaview is provided to other regions that extend up through the lower North Island.
- The pipeline has an expected 30 year life. Storm surges caused by climate change may require consideration when future renewals are needed.
- Concrete from demolition is used to create gravel columns to densify land in the main port. It is also used as a subgrade layer for asphalt. It was used for Council's Beltway.
- CentrePort has created 4,000 gravel columns but has tens of thousands still to complete. It welcomes demolition concrete. Council's assistance to promote this would be appreciated.
- Work on zoning is needed to free up land in Wellington. CentrePort is currently investigating land in Manor Park and Porirua for its distribution centres. It will be seeking Council's assistance to expedite the consent process.
- Trains are inefficient for transporting fuel - transport will always need to be multi modal.
- CentrePort requires 1500 ha for distribution centres in the region but smaller centres at a minimum of 5ha. are possible. 22 million tonnes of cargo goes through the Wellington Port each year and supports 26,000 – 28,000 jobs.
- CentrePort has not recovered from losses caused by the Wellington earthquakes. In addition COVID-19 has resulted in a 25% reduction in capacity due to ships having to wait in port. CentrePort is focussed on regenerating the Port.

The briefing closed at 5.35pm

Attachment: Powerpoint Presentation