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Report on Social and Cultural Wellbeing Committee meeting, 12 September 2012

1. Purpose

To inform the Council of the Social and Cultural Wellbeing Committee meeting of 12 September 2012.

2. The decision-making process and significance

No decision is being sought in this report.

3. Reports

3.1 Year-end review for the year ending 30 June 2012

Future water sources

The Committee discussed options for new water sources, and noted that the consideration of the cost of a desalination plant would need to take into account the potential for such a plant to offset the costs of reservoirs constructed for emergency water supply purposes and the potential for the plant to provide an emergency water supply. The Committee requested that a briefing be arranged on Lifelines issues associated with future water source options.

Emergency management

Issues relating to emergency management were also discussed, and the Committee requested a briefing on progress with community preparedness, the approach to public communications in an emergency event and the role of councillors during an emergency event.

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The Committee also noted Greater Wellington's participation in Exercise "Shake Out" at 9.26am on 26 September 2012. It requested that officers ensure that any visitors to Greater Wellington premises at the time of the exercise are informed of the exercise and of the actions they should take when the exercise occurs.

Warm Wellington programme

The Committee noted the discontinuance of the EECA scheme which subsidised the insulation of heat pumps. The Committee requested information on any evaluation done of the benefits of the programme, including health benefits, and indicated its wish to have a workshop on options for the future of the programme.

4. Recommendations

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.

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