

## The Church Property Trustees

# **Parish Property**

## Earthquake Update

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Opawa-St Martins vicar, Archdeacon and CPT board member the Venerable Lawrence Kimberley

#### REPORTING DAMAGE

Vicarage:
www.eqc.govt.nz
Or on 0800 326 243
Insurer is Ansvar
Then advise Liz Clarke of the
EQC claim number & pin on
property@anglicanlife.org.nz

Church & Hall Damage: earthquake@godfrey.co.nz Copy to: property@anglicanlife.org.nz

### **Distribution List**

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Vicar/Bishop's Warden	
People's Warden	
Other	

### **Earthquake Recovery Information for Parishes**

#### An update of the process so far

The process of shoring up and bracing damaged church buildings is nearing completion. The reason this taken a while is because serious • damage to some buildings has only come to light in the last three weeks. Buildings that appeared to have minor damage on 4 September are now • showing signs of more severe damage. This is partly because of the aftershocks, but also because land is settling and buildings have sunk.

This work has taken up the time and energy of the following shape: engineers, stone masons, builders and CPT. • Specifications CPT is now turning its attention to the rebuilding and repair work phase that faces this church. • Where requirements of the following shape: Specifications by engineers and Godfrey where requirements of the following shape: Specifications of

To this end, parish vicar, archdeacon and Church Property Trustee, Lawrence Kimberley, has been given partial leave from his parish, to spend 50% of his time to work on the earthquake building recovery with CPT property manager, Liz Clarke, for up to 6 months.



St Peters Church, Temuka had three crosses checked and all were safely removed on Mon. 13 September.

This photo shows the cross on the west wall as it is being taken off by the crane.

## An outline of the CPT approach to the rebuilding phase

The CPT approach will be to manage the rebuilding centrally. CPT is in discussions with a project manager company to engage one to manage the rebuilding process.

The reason for adopting a centralised approach is so that:

- learning about the consent process and the rebuilding process around the diocese;
- the relationship between the Diocese and its insurer can be facilitated well and expenditure of money managed wisely;
- CPT can ensure its prudential requirements are met in the rebuilding process.

CPT expect that the process for repair will take the following shape:

- Specifications for repair will be prepared by engineers in consultation with CPT and Godfrey & Co Loss Adjusters;
- Where required, Resource Consent and Building Consents will be sought. These applications will be prepared on behalf of CPT and parishes by the appropriate engineers and consultants. Resource Consent is a legal requirement for those parishes whose buildings are listed as heritage buildings by their local authority or the NZHPT;
- Appoint Quantity Surveyor and Project Manager;
- Contractors appointed.

It is the desire of CPT to ensure that the voice of the parishes will be heard in this process.

If new damage is appearing in your church buildings and you think an additional inspection is warranted, please speak with Liz Clarke or Lawrence Kimberley.

#### Time line for repair

In terms of time line, CPT expect small repairs (where no consent is required) to begin within the next month.

Parishes will be aware that the Bishop has announced a strategic asset review. While the form of this review is yet to be announced, this reflective process will be taking place alongside the rebuilding work.

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# Holy Trinity Church Avonside



The organ at Holy Trinity, Avonside, minimal damage but removal recommended. Photograph courtesy of SIOC

As the work of shoring up Holy Trinity, Avonside has progressed it has become evident that there is more serious damage to Church than initially thought, as a result of the September 4th earthquake. The latest engineers report recommends that the organ is removed from the building for safe keeping, even though it has suffered minimal damage. The reason for removal is to provide access to the external wall beside the organ, which has sustained serious damage and is in threat of falling inwards.

The engineer, stonemason and builder are working together to secure the two arched internal walls around the organ, then the South Island Organ Company will remove it to safety off-site until the building is repaired and ready for re-occupation.

Parish Property Earthquake Update Contact: Liz Clarke, CPT Property Manager, Phone: 03 363 0903 property@anglicanlife.org.nz

Archdeacon Lawrence Kimberley lak@clear.net.nz

### Earthquake Recovery Information for Parishes cont.

### **Site Safety**

A number of parish buildings are unsafe and dangerous to enter. CPT will be providing a site safety plan specific for each site. This will include a review of fences around dangerous areas, provision of safety notices, clarifying who has authority to allow entry to buildings, and ensuring safety clothing is worn where appropriate such as a hard hat, visibility vest and steel capped boots. This may cause some inconvenience but CPT is required by law to ensure these safety procedures are in place. The initial inspections started this week and will continue over the next two weeks. Included in the sites being inspected by



Grant Wilby from Aurecon at St John's Church in Hororata, assessing the damage.

Site Safety are **parish cemeteries**. We have had reports of headstone damage and the areas this has occurred should be fenced off from the public to prevent accidents from unstable headstones.

If you have immediate concerns for any of your sites, please call Liz or Lawrence.

#### **Contents**

If you have damaged contents, make a list and submit it to <a href="mailto:earthquake@godfrey.co.nz">earthquake@godfrey.co.nz</a> with a copy to <a href="mailto:property@anglicanlife.org.nz">property@anglicanlife.org.nz</a>

If your church is damaged and not in use, make sure the valuable items are safe.

Please do not be tempted to ignore your **Archives and Records** when you are dealing with the earthquake aftermath. It is important to get them into a safe, dust free environment, and if that means asking for help to do that, then please do ask.

If you are **storing any contents off site**, it is important the insurance company is advised. Contact Liz Clarke & let her know where the contents will be stored and she will pass this on to the insurer Ansvar. It is safer if this is done before they are transported to the new site.

## **Vicarages**

The first \$100,000 of building damage and \$20,000 of contents in any residence is covered by the EQC component of your insurance.

So all parishes with **any** damage showing in their vicarages should register the property with EQC by either making an online claim through:

www.eqc.govt.nz

Or by calling 0800 326 243

They will want to know who you are insured with and this is ANSVAR

Once the claim has been registered, EQC will provide you with a claim number which we would like you to copy to Liz Clarke on:

property@anglicanlife.org.nz

All claims to EQC must be registered before 4 December 2010 to be eligible for insurance cover.

Also, please check the stormwater and wastewater pipes. If you suspect the pipes that run from your house (laterals) that connect to the stormwater and wastewater networks may be damaged because of the earthquake or it's aftershocks, make sure you lodge a claim with EQC by 4 December 2010.

You need to look for slow flushing toilets, if the earth has moved or cracked around wastewater drains, if the sumps are overflowing or there is an unpleasant smell.

If you are not sure, please contact a registered drainlayer or certified competent wastewater service provider to advise you.

Please take photographs of the damage and also send these through to EQC with a copy to CPT.

The EQC assessors have thousands of homes to assess so it could be weeks or months before they get to your place, but the important point is to register a claim by the due date (4 December 2010).