

# "Never let a good crisis go to waste"

Seizing the opportunities from the Canterbury earthquakes



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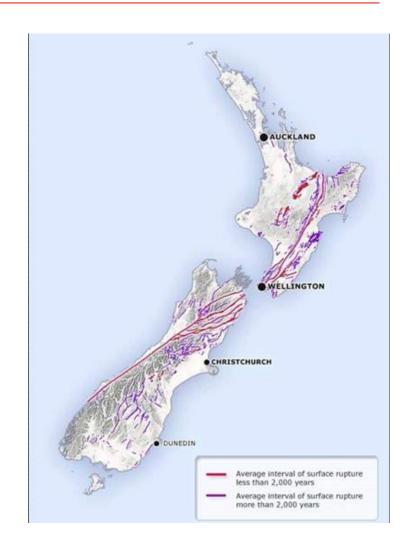




"Sometimes it does us a power of good to remind ourselves that we live on two volcanic rocks where two tectonic plates meet, in a somewhat lonely stretch of windswept ocean just above the Roaring Forties.

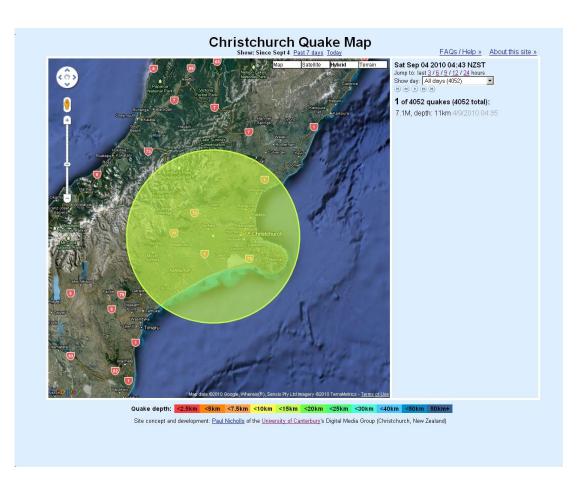
If you want drama – you've come to the right place."

Sir Geoffrey Palmer (NZ Prime Minister August 1989 to September 1990)









04:35 am

7.1 M<sub>w</sub>
10km deep
38km from city CBD
671 kilo tons energy

Aftershocks ......

4 September - 98

5 September - 232

The 1st week - 1,191





# **Puaka James Hight Library**











## Commerce Building and Staff Offices







## Our Libraries took most of the "hit"

- Over 1,000,000 volumes off the shelves
- Significant damage to shelving, windows, ceiling tiles and light fittings
- Central Library closed until 21 Feb 2011
- We had to find new ways of providing access to research material (elearning)







# The Christchurch CBD 22/02/11





# Violent Shaking, More Damage

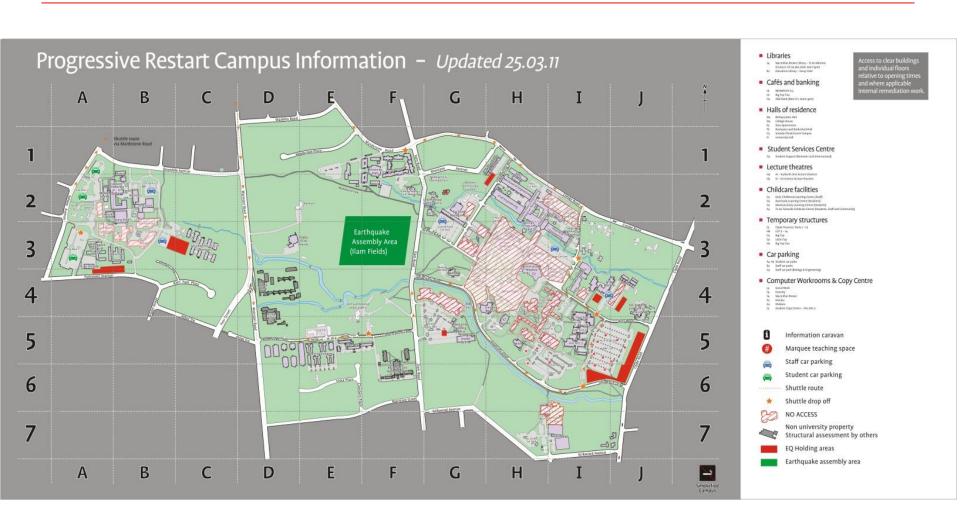




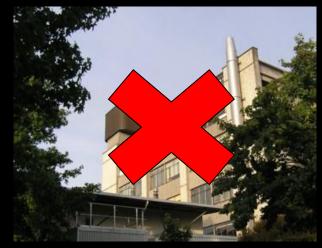


## UC's "No Go" Zone

























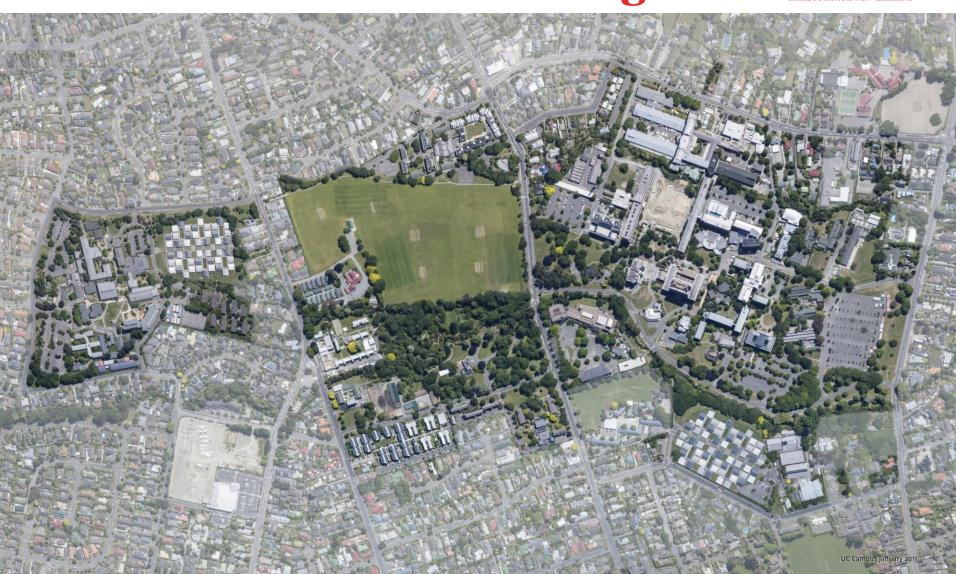
## **Priorities**



- 1. To save life and avoid any further injury, including tending to the welfare of our UC community;
- 2. To preserve the University of Canterbury's assets and operations;
- 3. To minimise impact on the local community and environment;
- 4. To support, where possible, a citywide emergency response;
- 5. To return to business as usual as soon as practical.



# So What Are We Protecting?

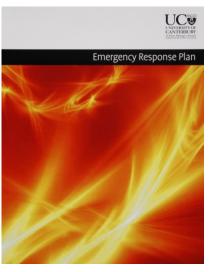




## **UC Preparedness**

UC's EM & BCP reviewed and rebuilt -commenced in late 2006

- Comprehensive review of the University's emergency management processes
- Development of a Emergency Response Plan
- Web Presence EM Website
- Development and distribution of Emergency Procedures "Flip Charts"
- Promotion of personal emergency preparedness among UC staff and students

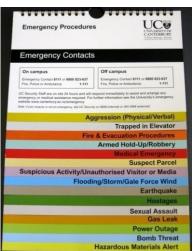














## **Emergency Operations Centre**

Development of a dedicated emergency operations centre for















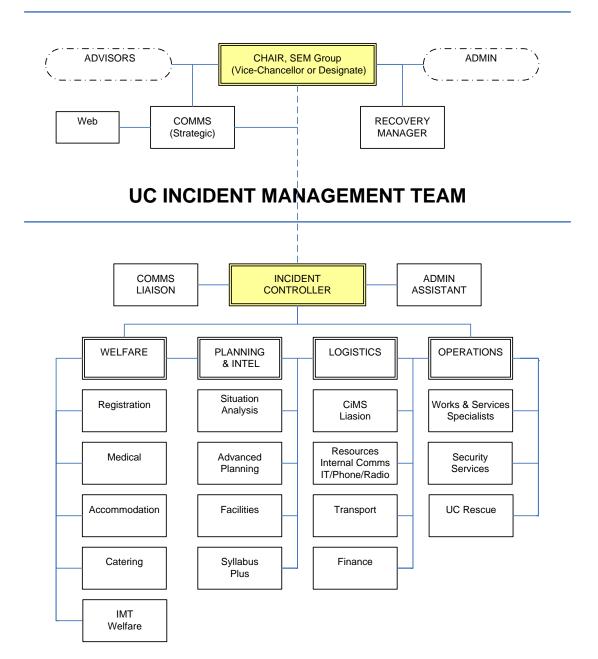








#### **UC STRATEGIC EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GROUP**





# The Strategic Response

## The Strategic Emergency Management (SEM) Group











## Strategic Decision Maker

- Role: Take strategic responsibility of an incident and lead a coordinated response leading up to, during, and after an emergency event affecting the University.
  - Make decisions
  - Provide strategic direction for the IC
  - Ensure communications with wider community are managed effectively
  - Ensure financial implications are handled
  - Oversee implementation of Business Continuity and Recovery Plan



## SEM Group Strategic Communications Liaison



### Communicator

- Role: Take responsibility for communicating with the UC community, its stakeholders and the public about the incident and its implications.
  - Lead strategic communication decisions
  - Oversee timely and effective messaging
  - Ensure the use of multiple channels to communicate the message
  - Promote a single source of truth

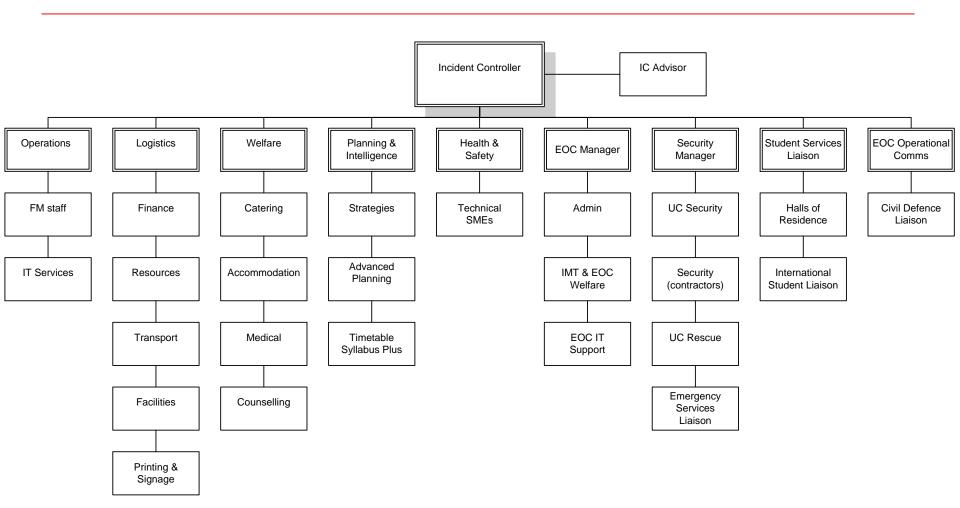
Feedback information gathered by the Strategic Communications Group (SCG) from media

and social media monitoring and responses





## The Operational Response







## Coordinator of Operational Response

- Role: Take operational responsibility of an incident and lead a coordinated response leading up to, and during, an emergency event affecting the University.
  - Manages the Incident Management Team
  - Decision-maker for operational matters
  - Primary relationship with Chair of SEM Group







# **Campus Closed**





# Thinking Outside the Square

#### 14 Canvas Lecture "Theatres"



















# Still Thinking Outside the Square



Students off on exchange to Adelaide University



**Graduation Procession 2011** 



### **Role of Facebook: Information & Feedback**



**UC Earthquake Recovery** Dr. Rod Carr explains why the decision was made to close the University:



#### VIDEO0013

www.youtube.com

05 September at 23:21 · Comment · Like · Share · Promote

△ 4 people like this.

#### UC Earthquake Recovery Wow that just shook the building!

06 September at 20:03 · Comment · Like · Promote

You guys stay safe  06 September at 20:06 · Like · 🖒 1 person · Flag			
who's in the building?  06 September at 20:08 · Like · Flag			
That was a magnitude 4.4 aftershock.  06 September at 20:46 · Like · Flag			
UC Earthquake Recovery Was it? Wow. We were in the Emergency Ops Centre at work. Amazing as everyone was so focused on the job at hand they hardly reacted. I must be a wimp; -) Tell you what - our Senior Management Team is really stepping up and showing true leadership to us staff right now - kudos to them - thanks SMT!  06 September at 22:18 · Like			
Yes please pass on a big thank you to all in the Emergency Team and on SMT. The information that is being provided is excellent - emails, website and facebook. I acknowledge that you will be also contending with your own families and homes at this really difficult time and, as UC Earthquake Recover writes, "kudos to them".  O6 September at 23:04 · Like · 6 · 1 person · Flag			
Julie: I hope you are doing okay! I'm thinking about you all 07 September at 14:31 · Like · Flag			
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# **Using Social Networking to Connect with our Students**







It's a 5!





, \_\_ I reckon that long rolling one a little while ago might have been a six penguins

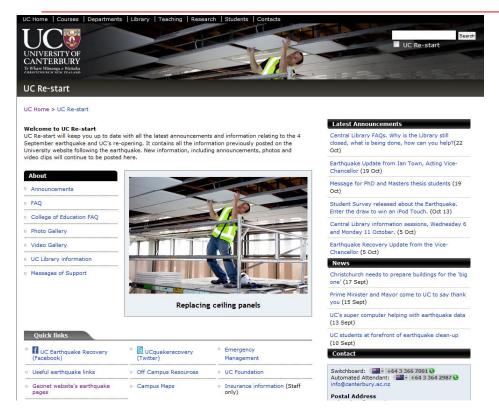
17 September at 01:02 - Like - Flag

\_\_\_\_\_ Its a good day when the university you attend has such an awsome sence of humor, i think they both deserve a day trip to the antarctic cente.

18 September at 16:52 · Like · A3 people



## **Communicating the Recovery Effort**



#### Time to move on

- UC Restart Website ... better than before

# Storyboard – communicating the remediation message



## **Insurance Challenges**

























## **Insurance Cover and Premiums**

Renewal Date	Annual Premium	Policy Excess
December 2009	\$1.1 million	\$250,000 for whole of campus
December 2010	\$2.5 million	\$10 million per building or complex of buildings
December 2011	\$6.2 million	\$20 million per building or complex of buildings



## **Insurance Steering Group**

An excellent initiative

Multi team approach



- Focus on strategic issues
- Instant feedback







## **Government Support**

### SAC Funding

 TEC agreed to no recovery for under delivery in the years 2011-16.

#### UC Futures

- Up to \$260M
- Two key capital projects in Science and Engineering
- Transformational objectives (what and how we teach)





## **Settlement**

# \$550M Incl \$60M BI



# **Personal Disruption**





# By the Numbers

- A large (for NZ) natural hazard event in a small economy
  - 10% of NZ's 4.5 million people directly impacted
  - Total loss estimates c. \$30B NZD about 10-12% GDP
- Tens of thousands of homes damaged and >1,100 buildings demolished
  - Reduced habitability and strained city's ability to accommodate its' residents
  - − 7,500 residential properties retired: ~5% of total housing stock
  - Central Business District closed for months: 800 buildings demolished over 40 Ha (85%)



- New Zealand's largest short-term migration
  - 70,000 people evacuated: 19% of population
  - 7,000-9,000 long term migration: <3% of population</p>
- 8 millions tonnes of disaster waste: 40 years of Chch waste
- One of the greatest geotechnical disasters of the modern age
  - Liquefaction ground damage flats
  - Slope stability (Port) Hills
- The CBD red zone cordon displaced 6000 businesses and 51,000 workers

### Canterbury tops housing consents per capita

JAMIE SMALL Last updated 12:37, August 29 2016















11 new homes consented for every 1000 Canterbury residents in year to June 2016 [Statistics NZ]

IAIN MCGREGOR/FAIRFAX NZ

UNDER CONSTRUCTION: The Levi Park Subdivision near Rolleston.

Canterbury's housing market is still in a post-earthquake boom, with consents outstripping the rest of the country.

Over the last year, Canterbury had the highest level of new homes consented per capita in the country.



#### **Lessons Learnt**

- There will be no time to plan, only react
- Herding cats is not easy .. Expect some chaos
- Core teams must be trained regularly and be able to work together to function effectively
- Plans need to be generic, not specific
- Regular education and communication is important
- Understand situational leadership ... the change in leadership style can be uncomfortable to some people
- Having basic signage in place in advance helped a lot
- Really understand that the disruption is total  $\uparrow \rightarrow \leftarrow \uparrow \rightarrow \downarrow \rightarrow$



### And one more ...

#### Be prepared for tension and possibly conflict

...... in a highly charged environment when lives had been lost and our city devastated, none of us were immune







# **Silver Linings**

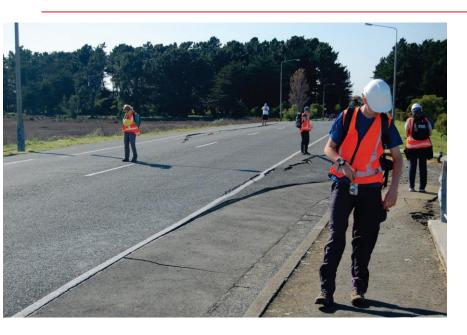
- The opportunity to be something new
- The chance to change "old ways" e.g. time tabling
- Refocusing academic priorities



- Opportunity to actively support and be part of the recovery of Christchurch City
- Changes to our physical campus which may facilitate future opportunities







Researchers out in the field capturing perishable data on the earthquakes' effects

Dr Mark Quigley – UC lecturer in Active Tectonics and Tectonic Geomorphology, the 'face' of the Canterbury earthquakes





# The Student Volunteer Army





### **Anzac of the Year Award 2012**























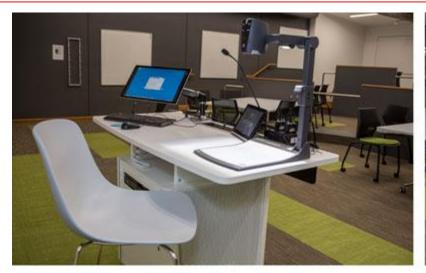




















## **Four Key Graduate Attributes**

- Employability, Innovation & Enterprise having the skills to create solutions and the ability to use them in workplace settings
- Community Engagement interacting and taking part in social groups to give back to society
- Bi-Cultural Competence & Confidence having awareness and knowledge of cultural equality
- Global Awareness engaging work with an international perspective

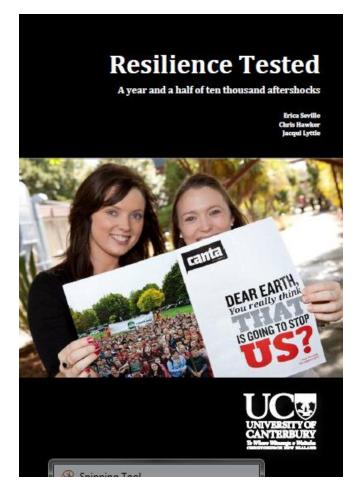




A University's Resilience in the Face of Adversity The 4<sup>th</sup> September 2010 Earthquake







http://www.canterbury.ac.nz/emergency/resources.shtml

# Thank you





