

# Levin and Foxton Memorial Halls classified as Earthquake-Prone

Hirers are advised that the Levin and Foxton Memorial Halls have been classified as earthquake-prone under the Building Act 2004.

The Levin and Foxton Memorial Halls remain open for use, however hirers, users and visitors are advised that the Levin and Foxton Memorial Halls buildings have a high risk of exceeding their structural capacity in a moderate earthquake. Occupants should make a judgement call as to whether the use of the buildings is an acceptable, tolerable, or unacceptable risk to their health and safety.

Horowhenua District Council determines that access to the building is a tolerable risk, on the basis that:

- The Engineering evaluation has determined that the type of material and construction method of the hall indicates that the building's failure in a moderate earthquake is unlikely to be catastrophic.
- Occupiers, users and visitors have a choice to enter the building.
- Hirers have been advised of the risks associated with the occupation of the hall and have determined whether the risk of occupation is acceptable, tolerable or unacceptable to them.

Signage has been installed on the buildings, notifying the persons entering of the risks.

A range of alternative Council meeting rooms and facilities are available for hire at the Horowhenua District Council Civic Building or at Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō.