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# Qualitative Report Summary

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## **Background**

This is a summary of the Qualitative report for the building structure, and is based in part on the Detailed Engineering Evaluation Procedure document (draft) issued by the Structural Advisory Group on 19 July 2011 and visual inspections on 18<sup>th</sup> June 2012. Construction drawings for an identical structure on Styx Mill Reserve were used for reference.

## **Building Description**

The building is a single storied storage shed, which construction was estimated to be between 1965 and 1976, given the construction date of other buildings on the park.

The roof structure is built from timber joists connected to the top plate which provides the link between the roof and walls. The roof is clad with corrugated steel roofing fixed to structural timber purlins without joists. The external walls are concrete masonry, it is not clear if the walls of the building are grout filled, however the low surrounding walls are grout filled. The building's floor is a concrete slab on grade and it is likely that this has a perimeter thickening.

## **Key Damage Observed**

No key damage was observed.

## **Critical Structural Weaknesses**

No significant structural weaknesses have been identified.

## **Indicative Building Strength (from IEP and CSW assessment)**

Based on the information available, and using the NZSEE Initial Evaluation Procedure, the baseline capacity (excluding critical structural weaknesses and earthquake damage) of the building has been assessed to be in the order of 51% NBS.

There was no damage nor critical structural weaknesses identified in our visual inspection; consequently have not reduced the baseline NBS.

The building has therefore been assessed to have a seismic capacity in the order of 51% NBS and is potentially an Earthquake Risk.

## **Recommendations**

The building has not been assessed as being Earthquake Prone, as it has been assessed have a seismic capacity in the order of 51% NBS (between 33% and 67% NBS) following an initial IEP assessment. No further assessment is required by Christchurch City Council to comply with the building act. The building does not pose an immediate risk to users and occupants, so the building can remain occupied. However, GHD recommends a quantitative assessment of the building be undertaken to determine the seismic capacity and to develop potential strengthening concepts.

# 1. Background

GHD has been engaged by the Christchurch City Council (CCC) to undertake a detailed engineering evaluation of the Shed in Hoon Hay Park.

This report is a Qualitative Assessment of the building structure, and is based in part on the Detailed Engineering Evaluation Procedure document (draft) issued by the Structural Advisory Group on 19 July 2011.

A qualitative assessment involves inspections of the building and a desktop review of existing structural and geotechnical information, including existing drawings and calculations, if available.

The purpose of the assessment is to determine the likely building performance and damage patterns, to identify any potential critical structural weaknesses or collapse hazards, and to make an initial assessment of the likely building strength in terms of percentage of new building standard (%NBS).

At the time of this report, no intrusive site investigation, detailed analysis, or modelling of the building structure had been carried out. Construction drawings were made available, and these have been considered in our evaluation of the building. The building description below is based on a review of the drawings and our visual inspections.

## 2. Compliance

This section contains a brief summary of the requirements of the various statutes and authorities that control activities in relation to buildings in Christchurch at present.

### 2.1 Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority (CERA)

CERA was established on 28 March 2011 to take control of the recovery of Christchurch using powers established by the Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Act enacted on 18 April 2011. This act gives the Chief Executive Officer of CERA wide powers in relation to building safety, demolition and repair. Two relevant sections are:

#### **Section 38 – Works**

This section outlines a process in which the chief executive can give notice that a building is to be demolished and if the owner does not carry out the demolition, the chief executive can commission the demolition and recover the costs from the owner or by placing a charge on the owners' land.

#### **Section 51 – Requiring Structural Survey**

This section enables the chief executive to require a building owner, insurer or mortgagee carry out a full structural survey before the building is re-occupied.

We understand that CERA will require a detailed engineering evaluation to be carried out for all buildings (other than those exempt from the Earthquake Prone Building definition in the Building Act). It is anticipated that CERA will adopt the Detailed Engineering Evaluation Procedure document (draft) issued by the Structural Advisory Group on 19 July 2011. This document sets out a methodology for both qualitative and quantitative assessments.

The qualitative assessment is a desk-top and site inspection assessment. It is based on a thorough visual inspection of the building coupled with a review of available documentation such as drawings and specifications. The quantitative assessment involves analytical calculation of the buildings strength and may require non-destructive or destructive material testing, geotechnical testing and intrusive investigation.

It is anticipated that factors determining the extent of evaluation and strengthening level required will include:

- ▶ The importance level and occupancy of the building
- ▶ The placard status and amount of damage
- ▶ The age and structural type of the building
- ▶ Consideration of any critical structural weaknesses
- ▶ The extent of any earthquake damage

## **2.2 Building Act**

Several sections of the Building Act are relevant when considering structural requirements:

### **Section 112 – Alterations**

This section requires that an existing building complies with the relevant sections of the Building Code to at least the extent that it did prior to any alteration. This effectively means that a building cannot be weakened as a result of an alteration (including partial demolition).

### **Section 115 – Change of Use**

This section requires that the territorial authority (in this case Christchurch City Council (CCC)) be satisfied that the building with a new use complies with the relevant sections of the Building Code ‘as near as is reasonably practicable’. Regarding seismic capacity ‘as near as reasonably practicable’ has previously been interpreted by CCC as achieving a minimum of 67% NBS however where practical achieving 100% NBS is desirable. The New Zealand Society for Earthquake Engineering (NZSEE) recommend a minimum of 67% NBS.

#### **2.2.1 Section 121 – Dangerous Buildings**

The definition of dangerous building in the Act was extended by the Canterbury Earthquake (Building Act) Order 2010, and it now defines a building as dangerous if:

- ▶ In the ordinary course of events (excluding the occurrence of an earthquake), the building is likely to cause injury or death or damage to other property; or
- ▶ In the event of fire, injury or death to any persons in the building or on other property is likely because of fire hazard or the occupancy of the building; or
- ▶ There is a risk that the building could collapse or otherwise cause injury or death as a result of earthquake shaking that is less than a ‘moderate earthquake’ (refer to Section 122 below); or
- ▶ There is a risk that that other property could collapse or otherwise cause injury or death; or
- ▶ A territorial authority has not been able to undertake an inspection to determine whether the building is dangerous.

### **Section 122 – Earthquake Prone Buildings**

This section defines a building as earthquake prone if its ultimate capacity would be exceeded in a ‘moderate earthquake’ and it would be likely to collapse causing injury or death, or damage to other property. A moderate earthquake is defined by the building regulations as one that would generate ground shaking 33% of the shaking used to design an equivalent new building.

### **Section 124 – Powers of Territorial Authorities**

This section gives the territorial authority the power to require strengthening work within specified timeframes or to close and prevent occupancy to any building defined as dangerous or earthquake prone.

### **Section 131 – Earthquake Prone Building Policy**

This section requires the territorial authority to adopt a specific policy for earthquake prone, dangerous and insanitary buildings.

## **2.3 Christchurch City Council Policy**

Christchurch City Council adopted their Earthquake Prone, Dangerous and Insanitary Building Policy in 2006. This policy was amended immediately following the Darfield Earthquake of the 4th September 2010.

The 2010 amendment includes the following:

- ▶ A process for identifying, categorising and prioritising Earthquake Prone Buildings, commencing on 1 July 2012;
- ▶ A strengthening target level of 67% of a new building for buildings that are Earthquake Prone;
- ▶ A timeframe of 15-30 years for Earthquake Prone Buildings to be strengthened; and,
- ▶ Repair works for buildings damaged by earthquakes will be required to comply with the above.

The council has stated their willingness to consider retrofit proposals on a case by case basis, considering the economic impact of such a retrofit.

We anticipate that any building with a capacity of less than 33% NBS (including consideration of critical structural weaknesses) will need to be strengthened to a target of 67% NBS of new building standard as recommended by the Policy.

If strengthening works are undertaken, a building consent will be required. A requirement of the consent will require upgrade of the building to comply 'as near as is reasonably practicable' with:

- ▶ The accessibility requirements of the Building Code.
- ▶ The fire requirements of the Building Code. This is likely to require a fire report to be submitted with the building consent application.

## **2.4 Building Code**

The building code outlines performance standards for buildings and the Building Act requires that all new buildings comply with this code. Compliance Documents published by The Department of Building and Housing can be used to demonstrate compliance with the Building Code.

After the February Earthquake, on 19 May 2011, Compliance Document B1: Structure was amended to include increased seismic design requirements for Canterbury as follows:

- ▶ Hazard Factor increased from 0.22 to 0.3 (36% increase in the basic seismic design load)
- ▶ Serviceability Return Period Factor increased from 0.25 to 0.33 (80% increase in the serviceability design loads when combined with the Hazard Factor increase)

The increase in the above factors has resulted in a reduction in the level of compliance of an existing building relative to a new building despite the capacity of the existing building not changing.

### 3. Earthquake Resistance Standards

For this assessment, the building's earthquake resistance is compared with the current New Zealand Building Code requirements for a new building constructed on the site. This is expressed as a percentage of new building standard (%NBS). The new building standard load requirements have been determined in accordance with the current earthquake loading standard (NZS 1170.5:2004 Structural design actions - Earthquake actions - New Zealand).

The likely capacity of this building has been derived in accordance with the New Zealand Society for Earthquake Engineering (NZSEE) guidelines 'Assessment and Improvement of the Structural Performance of Buildings in Earthquakes' (AISPBE), 2006. These guidelines provide an Initial Evaluation Procedure that assesses a buildings capacity based on a comparison of loading codes from when the building was designed and currently. It is a quick high-level procedure that can be used when undertaking a Qualitative analysis of a building. The guidelines also provide guidance on calculating a modified Ultimate Limit State capacity of the building which is much more accurate and can be used when undertaking a Quantitative analysis.

The New Zealand Society for Earthquake Engineering has proposed a way for classifying earthquake risk for existing buildings in terms of %NBS and this is shown in Figure 1 below.

Description	Grade	Risk	%NBS	Existing Building Structural Performance	Improvement of Structural Performance	
					Legal Requirement	NZSEE Recommendation
Low Risk Building	A or B	Low	Above 67	Acceptable (improvement may be desirable)	The Building Act sets no required level of structural improvement (unless change in use) This is for each TA to decide. Improvement is not limited to 34%NBS.	100%NBS desirable. Improvement should achieve at least 67%NBS
Moderate Risk Building	B or C	Moderate	34 to 66	Acceptable legally. Improvement recommended		Not recommended. Acceptable only in exceptional circumstances
High Risk Building	D or E	High	33 or lower	Unacceptable (Improvement)	Unacceptable	Unacceptable

**Figure 1 NZSEE Risk Classifications Extracted from table 2.2 of the NZSEE 2006 AISPBE**

Table 1 compares the percentage NBS to the relative risk of the building failing in a seismic event with a 10% risk of exceedance in 50 years (i.e. 0.2% in the next year). It is noted that the current seismic risk in Christchurch results in a 6% risk of exceedance in the next year.

Percentage of New Building Standard (%NBS)	Relative Risk (Approximate)
>100	<1 time
80-100	1-2 times
67-80	2-5 times
33-67	5-10 times
20-33	10-25 times
<20	>25 times

**Table 1 %NBS compared to relative risk of failure**

## 4. Building Description

### 4.1 General

The shed is located at 61 Mathers Road, Hoon Hay. The shed has been built on the south-western edge of the Park and sits approximately 2m from the closest building.

The building is a single storied storage shed, approximately 3.6m long, 3.0m wide and 2.5m in height. The overall footprint of the building is approximately  $11\text{m}^2$ . The buildings construction was estimated to be between 1965 and 1976, given the construction date of other buildings on the park. There is the possibility that the original shed had another room; however, this seems to have been partly demolished. Remaining are two walls that are connected to the southeastern wall of the shed.

The roof structure consists of timber structural purlins without joists spanning between southeastern and northwestern walls. The structural purlins are connected to the top plate which provides the link between the roof and walls. The roof is clad with corrugated steel cladding.

The external walls are concrete masonry. The low concrete wall is grout filled but at the time of inspection it was not apparent if the building walls are grout filled or reinforced. The building has a concrete floor which appears to be a slab on grade.

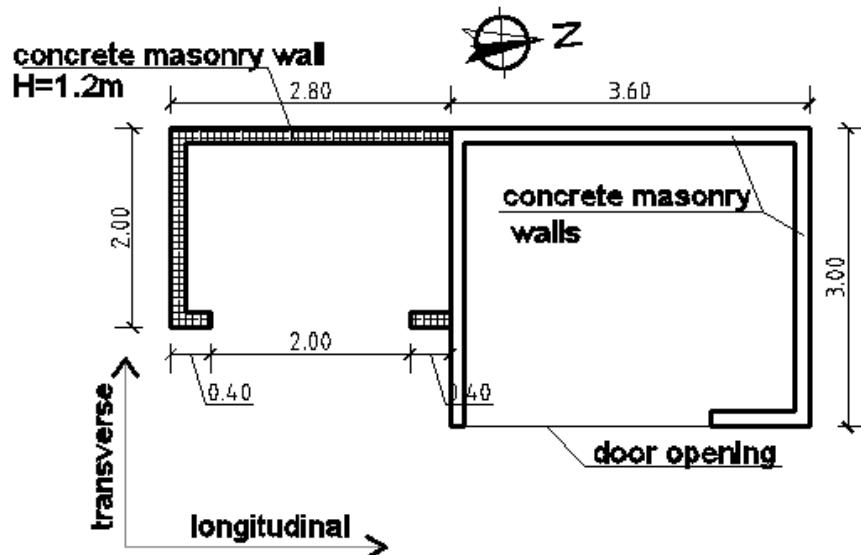


Figure 2 Plan Sketch Showing Key Structural Elements

## **4.2 Gravity Load Resisting System**

Gravity roof loads are carried by timber structural purlins spanning in the longitudinal direction. These loads are then transferred to the concrete masonry walls, down to the external perimeter of the foundation and finally into the ground.

Internal floor gravity loads are transferred through the foundation into the ground.

## **4.3 Lateral Load Resisting System**

The lateral load resisting systems in both the transverse and longitudinal directions are similar.

Nominal diaphragm action produced by the roof allows the lateral roof loads to be transferred from the structural purlins, via the top plate into the walls (in the plane of loading). The panel action produced in these walls transfers the longitudinal loads into the foundation. The loads then pass through the foundation and into the ground.

## 5. Assessment

An inspection of the building was undertaken on the 28<sup>th</sup> of June 2012. Both the interior and exterior of the building were inspected. The main structural components of the roof of the building were all able to be viewed. No inspection of the foundation of the structure was able to be undertaken.

The inspection consisted of a visual assessment of the building to determine the structural systems and likely behaviour of the building during an earthquake. The site was assessed for damage, including examination of the ground conditions, checking for damage in areas where damage would be expected for the type of structure and noting general damage observed throughout the building in both structural and non-structural elements.

The %NBS score determined for this building has been based on the IEP procedure described by the NZSEE and based on the information obtained from a visual observation of the building.

## **6. Damage Assessment**

### **6.1 Surrounding Buildings**

No damage to surrounding buildings was observed during the site inspection.

### **6.2 Residual Displacements and General Observations**

No residual displacements of the structure were noticed during our inspection of the building.

### **6.3 Ground Damage**

Aerial photography taken following the 22 February 2011 earthquake shows sand boiling throughout the park (see chapter 8.2.5), however during the site inspection undertaken on 18<sup>th</sup> of June, there was no evidence of ground damage on the property or surrounding neighbours land.

## **7. Critical Structural Weakness**

### **7.1 Short Columns**

The building does not contain short columns.

### **7.2 Lift Shaft**

The building does not contain a lift shaft.

### **7.3 Roof**

Rigid connections between joists and wall top plates form a braced frame.

### **7.4 Staircases**

The building does not contain a staircase.

### **7.5 Site Characteristics**

The presence of loose sand and silt along with evidence from the post-earthquake aerial photography implies that liquefaction could occur. However, as this is only a moderate risk and due to the nature and size of the structure this does not pose a significant threat.

### **7.6 Plan Irregularity**

In the longitudinal direction, the lateral loads are resisted by the concrete masonry walls located at the front and rear of the building. The door opening in the south eastern wall results in a difference in stiffness between the opposing sides. Under strong lateral loading this may produce some torsional effects; however, due to the close spacing of the walls and size of the building this is not regarded as a critical structural weakness.

### **7.7 Vertical irregularity**

This building does not qualify as vertically irregular according to the IEP standard.

### **7.8 Pounding effect**

This building currently has no potential for pounding.

## 8. Geotechnical Consideration

### Introduction

This desktop geotechnical study outlines the ground conditions, as indicated from sources quoted within. This is a desktop study report and no site visit has been undertaken by GHD Geotechnical personnel.

This report is only specific to the community building and shed at Hoon Hay Park, 61 Mathers Road. The park is bounded by Mathers Road to the north and surrounded by residential properties. The property is owned and maintained by the Christchurch City Council.

#### 8.1 Site Description

The site is situated within a recreational reserve, within the suburb of Hoon Hay in south-eastern Christchurch. It is relatively flat at approximately 11m above mean sea level. It is approximately 700m south-west of the Heathcote River, and 12km west of the coast (Pegasus Bay) at New Brighton.

#### 8.2 Published Information on Ground Conditions

##### 8.2.1 Published Geology

The geological map of the area<sup>1</sup> indicates that the site is underlain by Holocene alluvial soils of the Yaldhurst Member, sub-group of the Springston Formation, comprising alluvial sand and silt overbank deposits.

8.2.2 Environment	Canterbury	Logs
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Information from Environment Canterbury (ECan) indicates that 5 boreholes are located within a 300m radius of the site (see **Table 2**). Of these boreholes, four of them had lithographic logs which indicate the area is typically sandy gravels, with some clay layers containing vegetation and wood fragments down to 28.2m bgl. Varying amounts of silt, clay and peat wood fragments are also indicated to be present between 1.5 and 17.5 m bgl. Groundwater was encountered between 0.8 and 1.5 m bgl.

**Table 2 ECan Borehole Summary**

Bore Name	Log Depth	Groundwater	Distance & Direction from Site
M36/4740	~28.2m	~1.5m bgl	~200m SE
M36/4741	~28.2m	~0.8m bgl	~200m SE
M36/9042	~2.06m	~1.52m bgl	~140m E

<sup>1</sup> Brown, L. J. and Weeber, J.H. 1992: Geology of the Christchurch Urban Area. Institute of Geological and Nuclear Sciences 1:25,000 Geological Map 1. Lower Hutt. Institute of Geological and Nuclear Sciences Limited.

It should be noted that the boreholes were sunk for groundwater extraction and not for geotechnical purposes. Therefore, the amount of material recovered and available for interpretation and recording will have been variable at best and may not be representative. The logs have been written by the well driller and not a geotechnical professional or to a standard. In addition strength data is not recorded.

### 8.2.3 EQC Geotechnical Investigations

The Earthquake Commission has undertaken geotechnical testing in the area of the site. Information pertaining to this investigation is included in the Tonkin & Taylor Report for Hoon Hay<sup>2</sup>. Three investigation points were undertaken within 300 m of the property, as summarised below in Table 3.

**Table 3 EQC Geotechnical Investigation Summary Table**

Bore Name	Grid Reference	Depth (m bgl)	Log Summary
CPT – HNH 13	2476958 mE	0 – 1.2	Pre-Drilled
	5738409 mN	1.2 – 2.2	Sand
		2.2 – 3.6	Silt and Clay
		3.6 – 5.8	Sand to Silty sand (WT 2.0m bgl)
CPT – HNH 14	2477297 mE	0 – 1.2	Pre-Drilled
	5738449 mN	1.2 – 2.0	Silt/Clay
		2.0 – 3.0	Sand, medium dense
		3.0 – 4.2	Clay
		4.2 – 6	Sand , medium dense (WT 0.1m bgl)
CPT – HNH 18	2476745 mE	0 -1.9	Clay/Silt
	5738124 mN	1.9 – 2.2	Sand
		2.2 – 8.3	Silt/Clay with Sand lenses
		8.3 – 12.0	Interbedded Sand and Silt/Clay
		12.0 – 13.0	Sand, medium dense
		13.0 – 14.6	Interbedded Sand and Silt/Clay
		14.6	Gravelly Sand (WT 2.2m bgl)

Initial observations of the CPT results indicate the soils are typically fine grained, and are loose to medium dense. This would infer that liquefaction is possible in a significant seismic event.

### 8.2.4 Land Zoning

Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority (CERA) has indicated the site is situated within the Green Zone, indicating that repair and rebuild may take place.

<sup>2</sup> Tonkin and Taylor . September 2011: Christchurch Earthquake Recovery, Geotechnical Factual Report, Hoon Hay

Land in the CERA green zone has been divided into three technical categories. These categories describe how the land is expected to perform in future earthquakes. The technical categories – TC1 (grey), TC2 (yellow) and TC3 (blue) describe how the land is expected to perform in future earthquakes.

The site has been categorised as “N/A – Non Residential”. These areas have not been given a technical category as they are a non-residential property. However, the surrounding area has been classified TC2.

#### 8.2.5 Post February Aerial Photography

Aerial photography taken following the 22 February 2011 earthquake shows minor to moderate signs of liquefaction within 150m of the building footprint, as shown in **Figure 3<sup>3</sup>**.

**Figure 3 Post February 2011 Earthquake Aerial Photography<sup>3</sup>**



#### 8.2.6 Summary of Ground Conditions

From the information presented above, the ground conditions underlying the site are anticipated to comprise multiple strata of sand, silty sand and clay/silt, with varying amounts of gravel.

<sup>3</sup> Aerial Photography Supplied by Koordinates sourced from <http://koordinates.com/layer/3185-christchurch-post-earthquake-aerial-photos-24-feb-2011/>

## 8.3 Seismicity

### 8.3.1 Nearby Faults

There are many faults in the Canterbury region, however only those considered most likely to have an adverse effect on the site are detailed below.

**Table 4 Summary of Known Active Faults<sup>45</sup>**

Known Active Fault	Distance from Site	Direction from Site	Max Likely Magnitude	Avg Recurrence Interval
Alpine Fault	120 km	NW	~8.3	~300 years
Greendale (2010) Fault	24 km	W	7.1	~15,000 years
Hope Fault	110 km	N	7.2–7.5	120~200 years
Kelly Fault	115 km	NW	7.2	~150 years
Porters Pass Fault	67 km	NW	7.0	~1100 years

Recent earthquakes since 22 February 2011 have identified the presence of a previously unmapped active fault system underneath Christchurch City and the Port Hills. Research and published information on this system is in development and not generally available. Average recurrence intervals are yet to be estimated.

### 8.3.2 Ground Shaking Hazard

New Zealand Standard NZS 1170.5:2004 quantifies the Seismic Hazard factor for Christchurch as 0.30, being in a moderate to high earthquake zone. This value has been provisionally upgraded recently (from 0.22) to reflect the seismicity hazard observed in the earthquakes since 4 September 2010.

The recent seismic activity has produced earthquakes of Magnitude-6.3 with peak ground accelerations (PGA) up to twice the acceleration due to gravity (2g) in some parts of the city. This has resulted in widespread liquefaction throughout Christchurch.

In addition, anticipation of loose/soft alluvial deposits overlying bedrock in excess of 100m deep, a 475-year PGA (peak ground acceleration) of ~0.4 (Stirling et al, 2002<sup>4</sup>), ground shaking is likely to be moderate to high.

## 8.4 Slope Failure and/or Rockfall Potential

Given the site's location in Hoon Hay, a flat suburb in south eastern Christchurch, global slope instability is considered negligible. However, any localised retaining structures or embankments should be further investigated to determine the site-specific slope instability potential.

<sup>4</sup> Stirling, M.W., McVerry, G.H., and Berryman K.R. (2002) A New Seismic Hazard Model for New Zealand, Bulletin of the Seismological Society of America, Vol. 92 No. 5, pp 1878–1903, June 2002.

<sup>5</sup> GNS Active Faults Database

## **8.5 Liquefaction Potential**

A soil class of **D** (in accordance with NZS 1170.5:2004) should be adopted for the site.

Due to the presence of loose and soft alluvial deposits, and evidence from the post-earthquake aerial photography it is considered possible that moderate liquefaction will occur where sands and silts are present.

Further investigation is recommended to better determine subsoil conditions within close proximity to the building footprints. From this, a qualitative liquefaction assessment could be undertaken.

## **8.6 Conclusion & Recommendations**

This assessment is based on a review of the geology and existing ground investigation information, and observations from the Christchurch earthquakes since 4 September 2010.

The site appears to be situated on stratified alluvial deposits comprising sand, silt, clay and gravel. Associated with this the site also has a moderate liquefaction potential, in particular where sands and/or silts are present.

A soil class of **D** (in accordance with NZS 1170.5:2004) should be adopted for the site.

Should a more comprehensive liquefaction and/or ground condition assessment be required, it is recommended that an intrusive investigation be conducted.

## 9. Survey

No level or verticality surveys have been undertaken for this building at this stage as indicated by Christchurch City Council guidelines.

## 10. Initial Capacity Assessment

### 10.1 % NBS Assessment

The building has had its capacity assessed using the Initial Evaluation Procedure based on the information available. The buildings capacity excluding critical structural weaknesses and the capacity of any identified weaknesses are expressed as a percentage of new building standard (%NBS) and are in the order of that shown below in Table 5. These capacities are subject to confirmation by a more detailed quantitative analysis.

<u>Item</u>	<u>%NBS</u>
Building excluding CSW's	51
Building including CSW's	51

**Table 5 Indicative Building and Critical Structural Weaknesses Capacities based on the NZSEE Initial Evaluation Procedure**

Following an IEP assessment, the building has been assessed as achieving 51% New Building Standard (NBS). Under the New Zealand Society for Earthquake Engineering (NZSEE) guidelines the building is considered Earthquake Risk as it achieves greater than 33% and less than 67% NBS. This score has not been adjusted when considering damage to the structure as none was observed.

### 10.2 Seismic Parameters

The seismic design parameters based on current design requirements from NZS 1170:2002 and the NZBC clause B1 for this building are:

- ▶ Site soil class: D, NZS 1170.5:2004, Clause 3.1.3, Soft Soil
- ▶ Site hazard factor, Z = 0.3, NZBC, Clause B1 Structure, Amendment 11 effective from 1 August 2011
- ▶ Return period factor  $R_u = 2.0$ , NZS 1170.5:2004, Table 3.5, Importance level 1 structure with a 50 year design life.

An increased Z factor of 0.3 for Christchurch has been used in line with requirements from the Department of Building and Housing resulting in a reduced % NBS score.

### 10.3 Expected Structural Ductility Factor

A structural ductility factor of 1.5 has been assumed based on the structural system observed and the date of construction.

### 10.4 Discussion of Results

Although the sheds construction date is unknown, the comparisons were made with Hoon Hay parks community building. This suggests the building was constructed around the same time; 1966. The building was likely designed to the loading standard current at the time, NZS 1900:1965. The design loads used in accordance with this standard are likely to have been less than those required by the

current loading standard. When combined with the increase in the hazard factor for Christchurch to 0.3, it would be expected that the building would not achieve 100% NBS.

There was no damage nor critical structural weaknesses identified in our visual inspection; consequently have not reduced the baseline percentage of NBS as 51%.

## **10.5 Occupancy**

The building does not pose an immediate risk to users and occupants. The building has been assessed as being of Earthquake Risk and as a result, can remain occupied.

## 11. Initial Conclusions

The building has been assessed to have a seismic capacity in the order of 51% NBS and is therefore potentially Earthquake Risk.

## 12. Recommendations

The building has not been assessed as being Earthquake Prone, as it has been assessed have a seismic capacity in the order of 51% NBS (between 33% and 67% NBS) following an initial IEP assessment. No further assessment is required by Christchurch City Council to comply with the building act. The building does not pose an immediate risk to users and occupants, so the building can remain occupied. However, GHD recommends a quantitative assessment of the building be undertaken to determine the seismic capacity and to develop potential strengthening concepts.

# 13. Limitations

## 13.1 General

This report has been prepared subject to the following limitations:

- ▶ No intrusive structural investigations have been undertaken.
- ▶ No intrusive geotechnical investigations have been undertaken.
- ▶ No level or verticality surveys have been undertaken.
- ▶ No material testing has been undertaken.
- ▶ No calculations, other than those included as part of the IEP in the CERA Building Evaluation Report, have been undertaken. No modelling of the building for structural analysis purposes has been performed.

It is noted that this report has been prepared at the request of Christchurch City Council and is intended to be used for their purposes only. GHD accepts no responsibility for any other party or person who relies on the information contained in this report.

## 13.2 Geotechnical Limitations

This report presents the results of a geotechnical appraisal prepared for the purpose of this commission, and for prepared solely for the use of Christchurch City Council and their advisors. The data and advice provided herein relate only to the project and structures described herein and must be reviewed by a competent geotechnical engineer before being used for any other purpose. GHD Limited (GHD) accepts no responsibility for other use of the data.

The advice tendered in this report is based on a visual geotechnical appraisal. No subsurface investigations have been conducted. An assessment of the topographical land features have been made based on this information. It is emphasised that Geotechnical conditions may vary substantially across the site from where observations have been made. Subsurface conditions, including groundwater levels can change in a limited distance or time. In evaluation of this report cognisance should be taken of the limitations of this type of investigation.

An understanding of the geotechnical site conditions depends on the integration of many pieces of information, some regional, some site specific, some structure specific and some experienced based. Hence this report should not be altered, amended or abbreviated, issued in part and issued incomplete in any way without prior checking and approval by GHD. GHD accepts no responsibility for any circumstances, which arise from the issue of the report, which have been modified in any way as outlined above.

## Appendix A

# Photographs



**Photograph 1** Northeast elevation.



**Photograph 2** Northwest elevation



**Photograph 3 Southeast elevation**



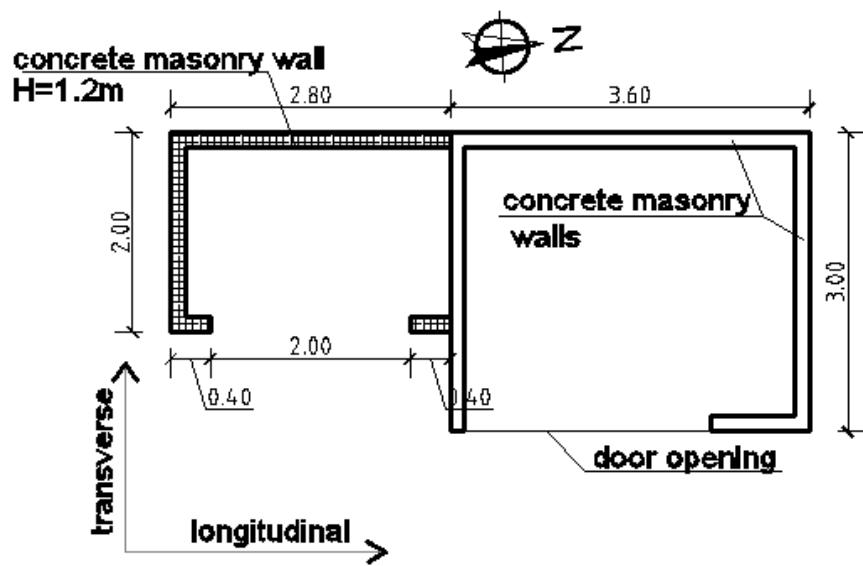
**Photograph 4 Southwest Elevation**



**Photograph 5 Roof**

## **Appendix B**

# **Existing Drawings**



Appendix C

**CERA Building Evaluation Form**

<b>Location</b>		Building Name: <input type="text" value="Shed Hoon - Hoon Hay domain"/>	Unit No: <input type="text" value="Street"/>	Reviewer: <input type="text" value="Derek Chinn"/>
Building Address: <input type="text" value="Hoon Hay Domain"/>		61 Mathers Road	CPEng No: <input type="text" value="177243"/>	
Legal Description: <input type="text"/>		Company: <input type="text" value="GHD"/>		
		Company project number: <input type="text" value="51/30902/17"/>		
		Company phone number: <input type="text" value="04 472 0799"/>		
		Degrees <input type="text"/> Min <input type="text"/> Sec <input type="text"/>	Date of submission: <input type="text" value="8/3/2013"/>	
GPS south: <input type="text"/>		GPS east: <input type="text"/>	Inspection Date: <input type="text" value="6/28/2012"/>	
Building Unique Identifier (CCC): <input type="text" value="PRK_1492_BLDG_003"/>		Is there a full report with this summary? <input type="checkbox"/>	Revision: <input type="text"/>	

<b>Site</b>	Site slope: <input type="text" value="flat"/>	Max retaining height (m): <input type="text"/>
	Soil type: <input type="text" value="mixed"/>	Soil Profile (if available): <input type="text"/>
	Site Class (to NZS1170.5): <input type="text" value="D"/>	If Ground improvement on site, describe: <input type="text"/>
	Proximity to waterway (m, if <100m): <input type="text"/>	Approx site elevation (m): <input type="text"/>
	Proximity to clifftop (m, if < 100m): <input type="text"/>	
	Proximity to cliff base (m, if <100m): <input type="text"/>	

<b>Building</b>	No. of storeys above ground: <input type="text" value="1"/>	single storey = 1	Ground floor elevation (Absolute) (m): <input type="text" value="0.20"/>
	Ground floor split? <input type="checkbox"/>	Ground floor elevation above ground (m): <input type="text" value="0.20"/>	
	Storeys below ground: <input type="text"/>		
	Foundation type: <input type="text" value="mat slab"/>	if Foundation type is other, describe: <input type="text"/>	
	Building height (m): <input type="text" value="2.50"/>	height from ground to level of uppermost seismic mass (for IEP only) (m): <input type="text" value="2.5"/>	
	Floor footprint area (approx): <input type="text" value="11"/>	Date of design: <input type="text" value="1965-1976"/>	
	Age of Building (years): <input type="text"/>		
	Strengthening present? <input type="checkbox"/>	If so, when (year)? <input type="text"/>	
	Use (ground floor): <input type="text" value="institutional"/>	And what load level (%g)? <input type="text"/>	
	Use (upper floors): <input type="text"/>	Brief strengthening description: <input type="text"/>	
	Use notes (if required): <input type="text"/>		
	Importance level (to NZS1170.5): <input type="text" value="IL1"/>		

<b>Gravity Structure</b>	Gravity System: <input type="text" value="load bearing walls"/>	rafter type, purlin type and cladding: <input type="text" value="Timber rafters, No Purlins, Corrugated Iron Cladding"/>
	Roof: <input type="text" value="timber framed"/>	slab thickness (mm): <input type="text" value="Unknown"/>
	Floors: <input type="text" value="concrete flat slab"/>	overall depth x width (mm x mm): <input type="text" value="None"/>
	Beams: <input type="text" value="none"/>	No Columns: <input type="text"/>
	Columns: <input type="text"/>	#N/A: <input type="text"/>
	Walls: <input type="text" value="fully filled concrete masonry"/>	

<b>Lateral load resisting structure</b>	Lateral system along: <input type="text" value="concrete shear wall"/>	Note: Define along and across in detailed report!	enter wall data in "IEP period calcs" <input type="text"/>
	Ductility assumed, $\mu$ : <input type="text" value="1.50"/>	0.13 from parameters in sheet	worksheet for period calculation <input type="text"/>
	Period along: <input type="text" value="0.40"/>		estimate or calculation? <input type="checkbox"/>
	Total deflection (ULS) (mm): <input type="text"/>		estimate or calculation? <input type="checkbox"/>
	maximum interstorey deflection (ULS) (mm): <input type="text"/>		estimate or calculation? <input type="checkbox"/>
	Lateral system across: <input type="text"/>	#N/A enter height above at H31 and lateral system	estimate or calculation? <input type="checkbox"/>
	Ductility assumed, $\mu$ : <input type="text" value="1.50"/>		estimate or calculation? <input type="checkbox"/>
	Period across: <input type="text" value="0.40"/>		estimate or calculation? <input type="checkbox"/>
	Total deflection (ULS) (mm): <input type="text"/>		estimate or calculation? <input type="checkbox"/>
	maximum interstorey deflection (ULS) (mm): <input type="text"/>		estimate or calculation? <input type="checkbox"/>

<b>Separations:</b>	north (mm): <input type="text"/>	leave blank if not relevant
	east (mm): <input type="text"/>	
	south (mm): <input type="text"/>	
	west (mm): <input type="text"/>	

<b>Non-structural elements</b>	Stairs: <input type="text"/>	No Stairs: <input type="checkbox"/>
	Wall cladding: <input type="text" value="exposed structure"/>	Concrete Masonry Walls: <input type="checkbox"/>
	Roof Cladding: <input type="text" value="Metal"/>	Corrugated Iron: <input type="checkbox"/>
	Glazing: <input type="text"/>	None: <input type="checkbox"/>
	Ceilings: <input type="text" value="none"/>	None: <input type="checkbox"/>
	Services(list): <input type="text"/>	

<b>Available documentation</b>	Architectural: <input type="text" value="none"/>	original designer name/date: <input type="text"/>
	Structural: <input type="text" value="none"/>	original designer name/date: <input type="text"/>
	Mechanical: <input type="text" value="none"/>	original designer name/date: <input type="text"/>
	Electrical: <input type="text" value="none"/>	original designer name/date: <input type="text"/>
	Geotech report: <input type="text" value="none"/>	original designer name/date: <input type="text"/>

<b>Damage</b>	Site performance: <input type="text" value="Good"/>	Describe damage: <input type="text"/>
(Site: refer DEE Table 4-2)	Settlement: <input type="text" value="none observed"/>	notes (if applicable): <input type="text"/>
	Differential settlement: <input type="text" value="none observed"/>	notes (if applicable): <input type="text"/>
	Liquefaction: <input type="text" value="none apparent"/>	notes (if applicable): <input type="text"/>
	Lateral Spread: <input type="text" value="none apparent"/>	notes (if applicable): <input type="text"/>
	Differential lateral spread: <input type="text" value="none apparent"/>	notes (if applicable): <input type="text"/>
	Ground cracks: <input type="text" value="none apparent"/>	notes (if applicable): <input type="text"/>
	Damage to area: <input type="text" value="none apparent"/>	notes (if applicable): <input type="text"/>

<b>Building:</b>	Current Placard Status: <input type="text"/>	Along	Damages ratio: <input type="text"/> 0% Describe (summary): <input type="text"/>	Describe how damage ratio arrived at: <input type="text"/>	
Across	Damages ratio: <input type="text"/> 0% Describe (summary): <input type="text"/>	$Damage\_Ratio = \frac{(\%NBS\_(before) - \%NBS\_(after))}{\%NBS\_(before)}$			
Diaphragms	Damages?: <input type="text"/> no	Describe: <input type="text"/>			
CSWs:	Damages?: <input type="text"/> no	Describe: <input type="text"/>			
Pounding:	Damages?: <input type="text"/> no	Describe: <input type="text"/>			
Non-structural:	Damages?: <input type="text"/> no	Describe: <input type="text"/>			
<b>Recommendations</b>					
	Level of repair/strengthening required: <input type="text"/> none Building Consent required: <input type="text"/> Interim occupancy recommendations: <input type="text"/> full occupancy			Describe: <input type="text"/> Describe: <input type="text"/> Describe: <input type="text"/>	
Along	Assessed %NBS before e'quakes: <input type="text"/> 51% Assessed %NBS after e'quakes: <input type="text"/> 51%	51% %NBS from IEP below	If IEP not used, please detail assessment methodology: <input type="text"/>		
Across	Assessed %NBS before e'quakes: <input type="text"/> 51% Assessed %NBS after e'quakes: <input type="text"/> 51%	51% %NBS from IEP below			
<b>IEP</b> Use of this method is not mandatory - more detailed analysis may give a different answer, which would take precedence. Do not fill in fields if not using IEP.					
Period of design of building (from above): 1965-1976					
h <sub>n</sub> from above: 2.5m					
Seismic Zone, if designed between 1965 and 1992: <input type="text"/> B					
not required for this age of building <input type="text"/> not required for this age of building <input type="text"/>					
Period (from above): along 0.4 across 0.4 (%NBS) <sub>nom</sub> from Fig 3.3: 5.0% 5.0%					
Note:1 for specifically design public buildings, to the code of the day: pre-1965 = 1.25; 1965-1976, Zone A =1.33; 1965-1976, Zone B = 1.2; all else 1.0 Note 2: for RC buildings designed between 1976-1984, use 1.2 Note 3: for buildings designed prior to 1935 use 0.8, except in Wellington (1.0)					
Final (%NBS) <sub>nom</sub> : along 5% across 5%					
Near Fault scaling factor, from NZS1170.5, cl 3.1.6: along 1.00 across 1.00 Near Fault scaling factor (1/N(T,D), Factor A: along 1 across 1)					
Hazard factor Z for site from AS1170.5, Table 3.3: 0.30 Z <sub>1992</sub> , from NZS4203:1992 Hazard scaling factor, Factor B: 3.333333333					
Building Importance level (from above): 1 Return Period Scaling factor from Table 3.1, Factor C: 2.00					
Assessed ductility (less than max in Table 3.2): along 1.00 across 1.00 Ductility scaling factor: =1 from 1976 onwards; or =k <sub>u</sub> , if pre-1976, from Table 3.3: 1.29 1.29					
Ductility Scaling Factor, Factor D: 1.29 1.29					
Sp: 0.850 0.850					
Structural Performance Scaling Factor Factor E: 1.176470588 1.176470588					
%NBS <sub>b</sub> : 51% 51%					
Global Critical Structural Weaknesses: (refer to NZSEE IEP Table 3.4)					
3.1. Plan Irregularity, factor A: <input type="text"/> insignificant 1					
3.2. Vertical irregularity, Factor B: <input type="text"/> insignificant 1					
3.3. Short columns, Factor C: <input type="text"/> insignificant 1					
3.4. Pounding potential Pounding effect D1, from Table to right 1.0 Height Difference effect D2, from Table to right 1.0					
Therefore, Factor D: <input type="text"/> 1					
Table for selection of D1					
Separation Severe Significant Insignificant/none					
0<sep<.005H .005<sep<.01H Sep>.01H					
Alignment of floors within 20% of H 0.7 0.8 1 Alignment of floors not within 20% of H 0.4 0.7 0.8					
Table for Selection of D2					
Separation Severe Significant Insignificant/none					
0<sep<.005H .005<sep<.01H Sep>.01H					
Height difference > 4 storeys 0.4 0.7 1 Height difference 2 to 4 storeys 0.7 0.9 1 Height difference < 2 storeys 1 1 1					
Along Across					
For ≤ 3 storeys, max value =2.5, otherwise max value =1.5, no minimum 1.0 1.0					
Rationale for choice of F factor, if not 1 <input type="text"/> 1					
Detail Critical Structural Weaknesses: (refer to DEE Procedure section 6) List any: <input type="text"/> Refer also section 6.3.1 of DEE for discussion of F factor modification for other critical structural weaknesses					
3.7. Overall Performance Achievement ratio (PAR) <input type="text"/> 1.00 1.00					
4.3 PAR x (%NBS) <sub>b</sub> : PAR x Baseline %NBS: <input type="text"/> 51% 51%					
4.4 Percentage New Building Standard (%NBS), (before) <input type="text"/> 51%					

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