

Methodist Church Insurance Fund

Earthquake update

19th November 2010



RICHMOND

Progress this week:

- Richmond propping, external and internal has now been completed and the Council have approved for the Church to be used again, although the Hall still remains closed. The power is yet to be reconnected. An electrical check will be completed next week and the the Church should be able to be used again by Sunday 28 November.
- Estimates for repair or replacement of Richmond Hall are being prepared and will be available next week. Work is continuing on the cost estimates for the reinstatement of Woodend and Bryndwr.
- Temporary propping for Durham St and Bryndwr complete and signed off by Engineers.

- The Engineers have now given approval for our project managers to organise work inside Durham Street. This includes removal and storage of the organ, grand piano and sheet music. Some stained glass windows can now also be removed and stored.
- The Engineers report was received this week advising options to protect the atrium at Aldersgate. The construction of scaffolding wall as suggested is going ahead. As soon as this is complete approval from the Council will be sought for the building to be used again. Work is continuing on the design and building consent for the new accessible toilet.
- The contractor has been instructed to install propping to Woodend.
- Condition Surveys by Ignite have been completed for 13 properties, with one more to complete. This will be completed next week and the written reports are expected to be available within the next two weeks.
- The Condition Surveys of residential properties are continuing and should be completed in the next few weeks. This will enable us to file any EQC claims not already done and to identify any work required not covered by EQC.

Please direct all enquiries regarding Earthquake claims through the Connexional Office to reduce possible confusion. All consultants working on the project have been instructed to only communicate through this office.