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NZ SOCIETY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANAGERS



FMWP News

The Financial Management Working Party met on 8 February (those of us not delayed in Christchurch by the hijacking). The items of interest were.

Financial Management Seminar

FMWP has approved a specialist financial management seminar which will be held:

Date: 28/29 April
Venue: Hyatt Regency,
Corner Waterloo Quadrant and Hyatt Regency
Auckland

2009 and Beyond for Decision-Makers

FMWP signed off on the key messages that elected members will receive at these seminars. These will be in

Auckland	26 March
Rotorua	27 March
Christchurch	1 April
Palmerston North	3 April

Make sure your elected members get in early, spaces at some venues (particularly Christchurch) will be limited. Dunedin has been cancelled due to insufficient demand.

LTCCP Summaries

This guide will be available towards the end of June.

Rating Inquiry

We received a report on the progress of the Rating Inquiry. At this point it appears that the Government will be making decisions on most issues at some point in May or June. We also discussed a draft of *No Magic Answers* – the results of modelling that 20 local authorities have done on the impact of the seven recommendations regarding the set of rating tools. This will be publicly released in the first week of March.