



EMERGENCY SERVICES LEGISLATION REVIEW

Interagency Working Group
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CONCEPT PAPER: REVIEW OF THE EMERGENCY SERVICES ACTS

The Review of the Emergency Services Acts project (the Review) is coming to the end of Stage 2: Draft Concept Paper. This stage involved the Review Team holding 11 Expert Panel Discussions on topics concerning the new emergency services legislation. These discussions were a critical research tool, providing the team with an opportunity to flesh out the issues and options raised by stakeholders during Stage 1 of consultation. These discussions and the ongoing consultations with key stakeholders assisted the Project Team in the development of the Concept Paper.

Earlier this week the Review Team provided the Concept Paper: Review of the Emergency Services Acts to the Regulatory Gatekeeping Unit (RGU), Department of Finance. The RGU will review the Concept Paper to ensure it meets the requirements of the Consultations Regulatory Impact Statement, as set out by the RGU. The Review Team will work closely with the RGU in addressing any concerns until the paper is approved. Once approval is given, the Concept Paper will be released for public consultation. The time frame for this is dependant on the on the RGU providing there approval. The Review Team is dedicated to the timely release of the Concept Paper.

The Review Team will be launching a comprehensive communications strategy to ensure all stakeholders have the opportunity to provide comment on the contents of the Concept Paper. An Online consultation site will be launched with the release of the paper to increase the profile of the Review and encourage stakeholder comments.

An Interagency Working Group meeting will be scheduled prior to the release of the Concept Paper and will include details of how to provide comment. Members will be notified of the meeting once the Project Team has confirmation of the release date.