The New Zealand Construction Clients Group Construction



"Today we have to come to terms with a new set of circumstances – the emerging reality of Peak Oil and the impact rising fuel prices have on our economy."

Dr Cullen

Meeting No. 31

when: Wednesday 29th October 8.30am to 13.00pm

where: "Rose Room" Kingsgate Hotel, 92-102 Gladstone Road,

Parnell, plenty of car parking (Opposite the Rose Gardens)

theme: What is the future for our industry with 'Peak Oil'?

8.30am Welcome & Introduction CCG Update by Chair Joe Hollander

8.45am Host Introduction – Graeme Birkhead/Hugh Morrison, Arrow International

9.00am The Impact of Oil Constraints on Capital Investment Strategy - Address by Archer Davis, Transport Service, NSCC.

"Peak Oil", or the end of easy oil, is on its way and this will change our lives. World daily oil production will reach a high point soon and then gradually decline. Meanwhile, the desire of consumers to use more fuel just keeps on climbing

We take "easy oil" for granted, but what if it gets a lot more expensive? What if NZ just cannot get as much as we need? We are adaptable - life will go on - but there will be differences in our economy and therefore in our capex. In fact winning cities /companies /countries will be the ones that reduce the energy intensity of their economies.

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This talk focuses on transport infrastructure, but every client sector will be affected and should be thinking about how to respond.

9.30am Transition Towns NZ – Address by James Samuel, National Facilitator, Transition Towns

What are Transition Towns and how might they affect the demand for construction? What will be the impact on our built environment?

10.00am Movie – "What a Way to Go – Life at the end of the empire" www.whatawaytogomovie.com

This movie will change the way you think about humanity's future. The following are reviews lifted from the web site:

"...the advanced course for those who are intellectually and emotionally prepared to examine critically our way of life - the viewer takes away ideas, even subversive ones."

"The best movie on the big picture (peak oil, climate change, rate of extinctions, and population overshoot) a person can make."

12.00am Facilitated discussion by James Samuel "How should the NZ Construction Industry Respond?"

13.00am Close for buffet lunch

