

EFFECTIVE ADVOCACY ON YOUR BEHALF

Supporting our members during the transition to FENZ

Transitional Advocacy and Support Agreement

On 28 October, NZFSC Chair Hon Paul Swain and UFBA Chair Rick Braddock signed a Transitional Advocacy and Support Agreement in the presence of the Minister of Internal Affairs Hon Peter Dunne. The intent of this agreement is to:

- Establish a clear, certain, formal relationship between the UFBA/NZFSC that will bridge the transition period to FENZ
- Serve as a transitional agreement for the UFBA to make independent advocacy and support services available to FENZ urban and rural volunteers who are UFBA members.

Find out more at www.ufba.org.nz/news/transitional_advocacy_agreement_nzfsc

UFBA/FRFANZ convene extensive member consultation on FENZ Bill

UFBA Director Bill Butzbach, consultant Murray McKee and FRFANZ officials have attended member consultation meetings on the FENZ Bill in Northland, Auckland, Bay of Plenty, Waikato, Hawke's Bay, Manawatu-Wanganui, Wairarapa, Wellington, Nelson-Tasman, Canterbury, West Coast, North Otago, Central Otago and Southland.

The aim of this roadshow was to assist members to better understand and make sense of the potential implications of the new legislation.



We recorded a substantial amount of information at the meetings. This will reinforce the quality of the UFBA/FRFANZ contributions to the FENZ transition process.

"I would encourage as many as possible to 'become engaged' with the pending changes. By participating, you have an opportunity to be part of history in shaping the new look FENZ organisation."

Philip Woolf, CFO Takaka Volunteer Fire Brigade

For more on the UFBA and FRFANZ member consultation see www.ufba.org.nz/news/fenz_bill_member_consultation

Ongoing actions on your behalf

UFBA is working with the NZFSC and the FENZ Transition Team to represent your interests, in particular on:

- Draft configurations of the proposed 'direct relationship' between volunteers and FENZ to ensure the relationship is workable and effective
- Organisational structure of FENZ
- How volunteers will be admitted to FENZ, how they will be recognised and who they will report to
- Service delivery framework
- Setting up of local committees and their boundaries

Follow the actions we are taking on your behalf at www.ufba.org.nz/fire_services_review/actions

