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## **JAMES COOK HOTEL GRAND CHANCELLOR COMPLETES SEISMIC UPGRADE TO 100% NATIONAL BUILDING STANDARD**

James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor has completed its seismic upgrade to achieve 100% of the NBS (National Building Standard) code.

The hotel appointed an experienced project team consisting of Engineers (Aurecon), Project Managers (RCP), Architects (Tennent Brown Architects), Quantity Surveyors (RLB) and Construction team (Hawkins) who have been working on the strengthening process for the past 13 months.

The seismic project was divided into stages to strengthen the building and achieve 100% NBS, which included the carpark walls, the Terrace Wing and the sheer walls around the hotel's lift core. The hotel appreciates the patience of their guests during this time and are happy to advise that all areas are now fully operational.

Steve Martin, General Manager comments "we would like to thank our Directors for their investment and recognising the importance of completing the seismic upgrade for the James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor. It is an exciting time for the industry, with record visitor numbers this season and we look forward to continuing being a hotel of choice for visitors to Wellington City".

The James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor is located in the heart of Wellington City, conveniently situated between the leading retail district of Lambton Quay and the business hub of The Terrace. The hotel features 268 accommodation rooms, two restaurants and bars, Infuse Day Spa, an exclusive 26th floor Club Lounge and a complimentary in-house gymnasium.

Grand Hotels International owns and manages ten 4 – 4 ½ star Hotel Grand Chancellor properties throughout Australia and New Zealand. All Hotels are in prime locations with a range of facilities offering accommodation for the most discerning guest as well as a host of conference and events facilities on a small to large scale, with five venues catering for over 400 people.

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