BUILD EMERGENCY ACCOMMODATION

Gerry Wood, the Independent Member for Nelson, says the government should set up an emergency accommodation centre on government land at Berrimah.

Gerry says a centre could be built similar to transportable accommodation used for workers.

He says the centre would be best run by a non-government organisation which would control who is offered accommodation there and carry out other services such as budgeting, debt management skills, job applications, house skills and assist with securing permanent accommodation.

The land at Berrimah is close to shops, post office and public transport.

Gerry says with rent so high and waiting lists for public housing so long something needs to be done now.