

King's dire Korea warning



King, barrister and author.

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AUSTRALIA and the wider community need to take the North Korean threat to national security seriously, according to former member for Wentworth Peter King.

The former Liberal politi-

cian and lawyer Matthew Bransgrove last week discussed the "reality of the North Korean situation" and Australia's "concerningly weak defence infrastructure".

"For too long the political leadership of Australia, Lib-

eral and Labor, and the Australian people have been asleep to the growing menace posed by the rapid acquisition of credible, deployable nuclear weapons by the Kim Jong-Un regime," they said.

"It is time to wake up to

the fact that North Korea is not just a rogue nation with one or two nuclear devices."

Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull on Sunday demanded the United Nations take urgent action against the "reckless conduct" of North Korea after its dictator Kim Jong-Un claimed to have successfully tested a hydrogen bomb.

More than 50 people at-

tended last week's talk at St Michaels Anglican Church at Vacluse by Civil Defence Now which was set up by Mr King and Mr Bransgrove.

The pair presented their case for the need of increased national security and defence measures and infrastructure.

The group's next event will be at the Woollahra Golf Club on October 5.



Kim Jong-Un (centre) inspects an object after reports North Korea has developed a hydrogen bomb. Picture: AFP/KCNA via KNS.