



**KAIKOURA
DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**SOCIAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE**

AGENDA

12 OCTOBER 2005

**SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 9.00
AM ON WEDNESDAY 12 OCTOBER 2005 AT MEMORIAL
HALL SUPPER ROOM, ESPLANADE, KAIKOURA.**

AGENDA

1. *Apologies*
2. *Matters to be raised as General Business*
3. *Matters Arising from Report of 14/09/2005*
4. *Minutes Action Update List*

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	<i>13 JULY 2005</i>		
<i>Social Services</i>	<i>Approach nappy companies, including local supplier, to supply nappies to new mothers by way of a voucher system promoting real nappies.</i>	<i>Environmental Development Officer (with help from Ian)</i>	<i>In Progress</i>
<i>Social Services</i>	<i>Provide information for educating trucking companies on road safety</i>	<i>Mike</i>	<i>In Progress</i>
	<i>10 AUGUST 2005</i>		
<i>Social Services</i>	<i>Investigate fluoridation presentation to Social Services Committee</i>	<i>Madeleine</i>	<i>In Progress</i>
<i>Social Services</i>	<i>Write to local politician to include mandatory driving knowledge test on arrival declarations at airports</i>	<i>Marion</i>	<i>05/10/05 Pg. 13</i>
	<i>14 SEPTEMBER 2005</i>		
<i>Social Services</i>	<i>Write to Runanga thanking them for their response and apologise meeting times will remain in mornings.</i>	<i>Marion</i>	<i>27/09/2005 Pg. 11</i>
<i>Social Services</i>	<i>Report on breakdown of funding in relation to gambling for Kaikoura district</i>	<i>Madeleine</i>	<i>In Progress</i>
<i>Social Services</i>	<i>Investigate Government Rates Rebate Scheme</i>	<i>Marion</i>	<i>Refer Pg. 10</i>

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10. General Business

Minutes of the Kaikoura Community Networkers Meeting
Noon, Tuesday 13 September 2005

(NB new venue - Te Whare Putea/Heartlands, unit 3, 78 Beach Road)

Present: Lisa Kahu, Cathrine Fraser, Frank Maxwell, Stephanie Moses, Jenny Bolton-Roche, Liam Butler, Lianne Nichols, Robin Mortimer, Jacinta Rohloff, Frank Maxwell, Julie Priddle, Jayne Mallinder, Lynne Williams, Madeleine Burdon, Lisa Moffat

Apologies: Noel Doney, Colleen Lee, Ma-rea Unahi, Carleton Barton, Elizabeth Henderson, Marion McChesney, Nicola Jago

Matters arising: correction to mailing list Jill Sunnex with Family mental health services, correct title = Pukenga Atawhai (will amend contact list)

WELCOME: JULIE AND JAYNE FROM KAIKORUA HIGH SCHOOL; OUR SYMPATHY EXTENDED TO NOEL WHO'S ON BEREAVEMENT LEAVE.

Round:

Stephanie - Marlborough Community Law Center - pamphlets on course information, now based here at new heartlands office

Jenny - Co-coordinator here, settling in and heating now on, new leaflets to distribute on Budget Advice service with Barbara Timms

Cathrine - Mental health Education and Resource Centre, 2 notices

1. Elizabeth Henderson from Psychiatric Consumers Trust now providing a rural service of advocacy for/with mental health clients (i.e. need to have a mental health disability to use the service); will attend Kaikoura meetings (but sick today). Will work with agencies and hopes to be here 1 day a month, limited time but can increase, maybe use Heartlands office? (Cathrine to pass onto Elizabeth before next networkers meeting)

2. Pathways: funded by MSD, MHERC & Disability now have a contract for mental health work - service will link with appropriate agencies from mental Health sector for people on Invalid benefit & looking for work. Anastasia Earnshaw can work in Kaikoura area, is based at MHERC in CHCH. Has 0800 tele now to go on Council website (with other health & social services information)

Julie - Gateway Coordinator based at Kaikoura High School; service is no cost to student or employer and is well supported by employers. Organises work placements for senior students 1 day a week who still have security of exploring options whilst still being at school attaining unit standards. If don't like can try elsewhere; also what gain on placement whilst still at school comes off apprenticeship time.

Jayne - returned to High School after time off - now $\frac{3}{4}$ of work = counseling with students (at first stage level and refers on); also picking up Careers options i.e. CVs, transitional work (has been a gap and will be more hours in 2006) re of time supports Julie & Gateway Programme

Lianne - Enterprising Communities Advisor. Keen on Mayor's Taskforce project, former role similar to Julie's.

Frank - Housing Corp New Zealand. Applications steady, waiting list not high but may increase as new homes near completion.

Lisa K - Te Tai O Marokura, Whanau Ora & Tamariki Ora contracts. Back from maternity leave and picking up on inquiries. Some hui coming up on:

Hearing for Adults, Hearing Loss for teenagers; aids & what's available;

Nutrition/Exercise/Diabetes, later in year.

Also organizing to bring Gill Connell, Active Movement for 0-5 year olds (last workshop in Aug by Sport Marlborough not well advertised or attended) back to Kaikoura Saturday, 1st weekend in November. Be day workshop for parents and teachers of early childhood & primary school age children. Some local schools already have some of equipment (which is very expensive but excellent) Getting regular inquiries & raised \$900.00 so far hopes to keep cost for participants low.

Robin -Work and Income. From Sept will have a specialist on Superannuation visiting monthly on 3rd Tuesday of month; will be advertised in paper and have available on appointment basis.

Work & Income & Mainpower - Mainpower contact = Jennifer Small

Joint "Warm Homes" project, sending info out to 550 Superannuants. Application form to Mainpower (can access Online) re project, whether renting (landlord would pay 50% of cost) or own home (be less of a subsidy). Retrofits, insulation, light bulbs etc; reduces health problems and costs to maintain warm homes and even temperatures.

Lynne -Min of Social Development. New Family Violence Intervention Programme launched, this region will be part of next roll out, 2 appointments to be made before Dec, 1 for Nelson/Tasman, other for Marlborough (cover K region) Primary focus to support case managers to refer; all staff to have training. Tender put out for agencies to train & national office to meet with agencies involved. Lot of emphasis on elder abuse, people being encouraged to support people to report abuse/violence. No family safety team in Nelson but going to advocate with police; an internal response working in community.

Madeleine - Community Development/Family Violence Coordinator

1. Five agencies (Kaikoura District Council and Police, plus Marlborough Women's refuge & Victim Support, and District CYF manager) have amended and signed the Te Rito collaborative project Memorandum of Agreement and sent off to the Funding Contract Specialist (for

original proposal sent in on behalf of family violence network in Oct 2004). The local network hasn't meet whilst this collaboration has been worked on but it should be sorted very shortly so work with Crime Prevention Unit funds can be progressed – possibility is supporting Rage programme.

2. Strengthening Families: hours increased by 6 a week from 10 to 16, which should enable a more consistent approach to promotion and service delivery to families. The October facilitator training 4, 5 & 6th with National trainer Anne Doherty will be advertised soon and if interested please contact me at Council.

3. Social services committee funding: have been asked to draft policy so am checking out ideas from other sources to guide our criteria. Keen to have community events, local initiatives also possibility

4. Community Initiatives Fund - (MSD) have suggested to Mayor we could look at this to address a long term new project here i.e. around employment/training/mentoring being priority issues for retaining young people locally in employment - Fund is for "communities to achieve sustainable social development results...which will make a real tangible and measurable difference to their communities".

5. Reminder re CCS Road Show THP/Heartlands all day Thursday October 20th.

6. Nicola Jago from Children & Young persons will visit Kaikoura fortnightly (day will vary on demand) until end of Dec. when will be replaced by another staff member. Role not casework but can talk with staff if unsure about situations - rather is as liaison with community, providing training and recruiting foster families; is utilising High School to collect messages but meant to be out and available to community.

Next Meeting:

<p>Tuesday October 11th Noon-1pm Te Whare Putea Heartlands Unit 3, 78 Beach Road KAIKORUA</p>
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Cuppa tea provided, bring your lunch, apologies etc; to Madeleine c/- KDC

Hi Linda

The Rates Rebate Scheme information circular for Citizens Advice Bureaux is currently the main, and most concise, publicity material that we have available.

Rates rebates are calculated using the formula specified in the Rates Rebate Act 1973. The formula uses the ratepayer's income, amount of rates and number of dependants to determine the rebate value. You need to be aware that a ratepayer is required to declare the income he or she received, before tax, for the income tax year preceding the start of the rating year for which the application is made. If a person applies for a 2005/2006 rates rebate then that person must declare his or her income, before tax, for the period 1 April 2004 to 31 March 2005.

The 2005/2006 schedule of social welfare benefits is a guideline, primarily developed to assist council officers, giving the maximum rates for the main social welfare benefits for the period 1 April 2004 to 31 March 2005. The schedule also shows the amount of rates rebate that a person would receive given the income, rates and number of dependants described. For example, the maximum rate for a single person receiving national superannuation for the period 1 April 2004 to 31 March 2005 is \$15,669.16. That person, paying rates \$1,709.52 and having no dependants, would be entitled to a rates rebate of 1 cent for the 2005/2006 rating year. Obviously most people would not be concerned about 1 cent, but this does represent the point where the rebate begins and increases with rates values greater than \$1,709.52. As shown, the same person paying rates of \$1,739.50 would be entitled to a \$20 rates rebate, and so on until the maximum rebate of \$200 is attained.

Thank you for the invitation to speak to the Social Services Committee. It could be considered if you feel there is a need to provide further information and discuss the Scheme, keeping in mind the scale and beneficial effect of the changes that will come into effect on 1 July 2006.

Regards

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27 September 2005

Te Runanga O Kaikoura Inc
P O Box 39

KAIKOURA

ATTN Gina Solomon

Dear Gina

Thank you for your letter of 3 August regarding Runanga representation on the Social Services Committee.

Your request for the committee to look at changing future meetings to be held after 3.30pm was considered at the Social Services Committee meeting of 14 September, however the committee felt meetings held after 3.30pm would not be conducive for those traveling from outside the district. It was further noted that meetings can at times run through to midday being a full three hours which would be very difficult if meetings were to commence at 3.30pm. The final conclusion from the Committee was that future meetings remain at 9.00am on the second Wednesday of each month.

Whilst we understand Miriama and Robyn are extremely busy, we welcome them or any other Runanga representatives to future meetings when their schedules allow.

Yours sincerely

Marian McChesney

CHAIRPERSON
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

5 October 2005

Colin King
National MP Kaikoura
Parliament House
WELLINGTON

Dear Colin

The Social Services Committee is a group of people that meet monthly, as a sub-committee of the Kaikoura District Council. Members include ratepayers, police, health, education, and a road safety component, along with three Councillors and Mayor Kevin Heays.

There has been a lot of discussion over the past few months in relation to road accidents within our district (trucks and tourists) and as a result, the Committee came to the conclusion that you may be able to offer support. We would like to have a mandatory driving knowledge test upon arrival in New Zealand, and suggest this could occur at the same time people are filling out declarations for forbidden fruit, goods, etc. We see this as a possible solution to the problem of tourists driving and parking on the wrong side of the road. The other suggestion was to have brochures of basic New Zealand road rules handed to customers of all international air flights, and ships upon arrival.

You are most welcome to attend future meetings of the Social Services Committee, they are held at 9.00am on the second Wednesday of each month in the Kaikoura Memorial Hall.

Thanks for your assistance, we look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

Marion McChesney (Chairperson)
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Community Development Officer's Report

Report to: **Social Services Committee** Meeting, 12 October 2005

From: Community Development Officer/Family Violence Coordinator

Housing Sub-committee: didn't have a big response from Housing sub-committee for feedback so resent & also asked Council staff to respond; will collate wish-list ideas for Housing Project Council team as finalizing the design brief for HCNZ is highest priority at moment; also continuing to develop criteria and policy ideas from local feedback/other providers.

Family Violence Network: attended meeting in Blenheim yesterday for te Rito Collaborative project (for Kaikorua) as Contract funding specialist wanted more detail, has been communication difficulties. When alterations made to Memorandum of Agreement signatories will recheck then contract will be signed by CYF with Refuge as Fund holder. Funds down to $\frac{3}{4}$ of resubmitted annual budget, the allocation for here is to 1) increase hours for family violence network coordinator currently funded by Crime Prevention Unit and 2) for Marlborough Women's refuge to recruit, train and employ 2 part-time emergency response workers (who are local women). There will be a network meeting shortly.

Responses to surveys/reports: 1. Ministry of Youth Development survey on youth participation in Council (also asked Head librarian to respond); excellent resource I have read and distributed "Keeping it real" very helpful ideas re meaningful involvement with young people (especially in LTCCP environment, also informed local youth workers of survey).
2. Community Services Mapping: Draft Kaikoura Community Report (Family & Community Services); 3. Review of Rural Health Services in Canterbury 2004/05 Canterbury District Health Board, also requested other local providers to give feedback who didn't have the report. Also creates an opportunity for the PHO to communicate more with local community.

Community Development Conference: Biennial event, in Taranaki last month, wonderful hospitality and well run. Some impressive keynote speakers with examples from successful, still expanding cultural and tourism development here and overseas; excellent field trips with inspiring projects - I went on "rural" which focused on 3 projects in South Taranaki -developing local economy through tourism ventures i.e. a replica lighthouse and artificial reef, to consolidating and enhancing local sporting and community resources in the form

of an impressive multi-purpose venue now self-sustaining; had huge voluntary input and trust works hard at recruiting sponsorship. For some of us there weren't enough opportunities to discuss our local projects and experiences or critique our community development practice. Found interactive workshop on LTCCP and relationships between non-govt/not for profit, business and central govt sectors very useful i.e. develop an appreciation of where each comes from, barriers and opportunities for developing relationships to improve outcomes. Hamilton won the bid for 2007 venue; Waimakariri & Christchurch interested in hosting in future, which could support trips to outlying rural local authorities like B. Peninsula, Hurunui, Selwyn, Kaikorua. Many councils had an Elected member and/or other staff present and I encourage the same here although it adds to the costs.

Information Sharing/Notices:

1. Community Sector Taskforce national meeting Nov 11 & 12th, Wgtn. Sharon Torstonson from Christchurch Council of Social Services, also on national body and rep to national taskforce is attending October community networkers' meeting to promote input and attendance.
2. Ministry of Economic development: correspondence re nationwide availability of the telecommunications relay service for meeting the telephone communication needs of deaf, hearing impaired and speech impaired people, launched in 2004. Is marketed as "NZ Relay"- needs organizations to accept "relay calls " from clients, document re how to from service page of Ministry website = www.med.govt.nz
3. Treaty of Waitangi workshops -facilitated by Les Hoerara, new Te Reo teacher at K H S. over 5 weeks, Bookings to Paul McGahan 319 5138.
4. Marlborough Community Law Centre: invite to become a member and/or attend their AGM (20 Oct) in Blenheim, rsvp by 12 Oct 03 577 9919
5. Injury Prevention Network Conference, 2-4 November in Wgtn, theme "Living and playing safely in Aotearoa NZ" (rego form Madeleine)
6. National Council of Women in NZ again highlighted their deep concerns to govt at decline in rural home-based care services (nationally). Are urging that "travel costs and travel time of home care workers who have to travel more than 15kms return to care for their clients" are paid to "stop the erosion of equity of access to home based aged care services to rural communities" -this issue has been raised here in meetings with CDHB staff who have some say in contracts with organizations employing staff and providing the homecare services. Think we need to keep an eye on progress with increased cost of fuel also impacting on workers rurally.

Madeleine Burdon