

MINUTES OF THE SOCIAL SERVICES MEETING HELD AT 9.00AM ON WEDNESDAY 4TH JULY 2007 AT THE MARAE, KAIKOURA.

PRESENT: Councillor M McChesney (Chair), Mayor K Heays, J Bolton-Roche (Te Whare Putea), S Frizzell (Disability Sector), C Cowen (Te Tai O Marokura),

IN ATTENDANCE: J Woodgate (Committee Secretary), M Pfeifer (Community Development Officer), M Kennedy (Road Safety Officer), K Roberts. C King (MP for Kaikoura) L Howse (Work & Income), Meika (Marlborough Express), R Te Ua, Mary Merchison, K Robinson (CDHB), J Burrows, A Penman, Henry Luafutu, K Mackenzie (District Health Nurse).

APOLOGIES: D Wright (Order of St John), M Falloon, L Craig (Public Health Nurse), G Rae (Work & Income), T Hanbury Weber (Youth Council)

Moved by Councillor McChesney, seconded by Mayor Heays and resolved that the apologies be accepted.

1. Matters to be raised as General Business

Senior Net

- R Te Ua will be organising a group of adults to use the new computers in the Primary School grounds. Having a special evening group coming down from Nelson to promote senior net further.
- It was advised that Andrea Taylor is finishing up as liaison for mental health in Kaikoura.
- M Kennedy – received letter from Barry Stratton about pedestrian crossing – will review in the summer months when traffic flow busier.
- OSCAR programme – Colin King has a meeting with Bread of Life. Would like to have feedback from committee of where we are at with setting something up.

2. Matters Arising from Report of 06/06/2007

3. Minutes Action List

- Colin King has not yet had a chance to look at rural school buses. Councillor McChesney advised that in Wanganui there was a push for everyone to be seated on buses. M Kennedy reports that the bus license is for sitting and standing
- Update that there was further investigation happening into the way the bus route - it does not pick up in South Bay any more. Bruce Pagan from Primary school has been very helpful. The first criteria is safety. Looking at getting together figures on how many kids will be starting up school soon for the South Bay area – need to make the figures worth while to the transport system.. Mayor Heays offers Council support for the South Bay bus.
- M Kennedy suggests that we could invite Barry Stratton to the next Social Services meeting. Social Services would like full Council to review the footpath item along the Shwy South Bay route to town footpath.

4. Cathy Robinson, Healthy Eating Development Manager at CDHB will be present to discuss nutrition and physical activity in the community

Cathy Robinson gives background about HEHA. The New Zealand Health Strategy was launched in 2000 – from this raised 13 population health objectives.

C Robinson presents a record of obesity trends – the information viewed on this trend is extremely shocking.

In New Zealand 1 in 2 adults are over weight, 1 in 3 children are over weight – 1 in 6 obese. New Zealand fruit and vegetable intake is under what we should be eating. At the moment only 4 out of 10 adults push play for 30 min a day. Our children activities are decreasing. C Robinson stresses the importance of breast feeding – healthy for baby and mother. Healthy eating and physical activity have an affect across the board of many different social groups including mental health.

Key focuses –

- Breastfeeding
- Workforce development
- Early childhood centre
- Schools
- Children young person and whanau.

Meeting with PHO to see what services can be provided. She advised that currently looking to align services for the rural area, and wants feedback regarding this. Also mentioned that currently doing some professional development, would like to source funding towards this. She deeply encourages community feedback. C Robinson is meeting with B Cowan next Tuesday to talk about Te Tai nutritional programme. Looking at possibly allocating a lifestyle consultant here in Kaikoura. Potentially looking at introducing another programme called Appetite for Life.

5. Community Networkers Minutes

6. Community Development Officer's Update

Gambling Policy

M Pfeifer has discovered that we are sitting outside our policy limits. We have 63 gambling license. With Department of Internal Affairs changing our limits set on applications from this district, there is not a lot we can do about this. Have to stick to our guns – there will be no more licenses handed out until a reduction from another provider.

Had a great meeting for the up and coming Youth Council. Follow up meeting scheduled for 18 July – to take nominations.

Activity Strategy

Advised that she had received approval from SPARC to approve a consultant. Someone has been appointed. There will be a meeting held with consultant and project groups early August 2007.

There was a meeting held yesterday regarding tertiary education. Questions have been sent in that need a response. Suggestions included life skills as being beneficial.

Rupia Te Ua comments that a course is starting up soon through SEEK. This would be a 12 week course. Will be employing possibility two facilitators to run this course. There is a huge need for high quality delivery in training. There is a gap in the early childhood sector for training of staff/relievers.

Attended an affordable housing seminar – there is no more money left in the housing New Zealand innovation fund. Unsure whether this bucket will be re filled. Marlborough has just formed a housing trust.

Health Service planning – design team meet last week. Lisa and M Pfeifer looking at putting together a community expo. So far looking at groups from Blenheim, Christchurch and Kaikoura, to get the information out there. Ashburton has been very successful with events like these in the past. This will also be an opportunity to highlight the services that Te Tai have available. Want to make the expo quite exciting and for people to think outside the square.

- Noel has said that the action plan is currently at the printers.

7. Family Violence Coordinator's Report

Sarah Boon – victims advisor from the court – did not know that the family violence network operated in Kaikoura. She visited Jude Gray at the Kaikoura Police station, and now knows what the process is here in Kaikoura. It was suggested that someone in our network would invite her along for the meetings. Similar to victim support but she is actually present at the courts. Rupia will send a letter to the police station to clarify what the Kaikoura process is.

There is a workshop being held at the Memorial Hall with the focus being on the elderly abuse

Have not yet received a reply from the Takahanga Rugby Club. Our letter was about drinking with the young players, reminder about putting some safety plans together – food available, safe drivers. Prevention to try to keep our community and young kids safe; Reminding senior members to be the positive mentors. Perhaps if we do not get an appropriate response from letter – maybe head along to one of their next meetings. The next meeting is being held at the end of the month.

- Colin King will try to make contact with Sarah Boon. Get an action list together.

8. Road Safety Update

The speed trailer has been here for the whole of June. Currently waiting for delivery of our own speed trailer – this would be a fantastic asset for the District.

Transit has published the traffic report that was taken in Kaikoura in May. Put a copy of this report at the front desk at Council.

Ohau point work is now complete. It was reported that all went very smoothly. One last action is to check that the ropes are removed from the site.

Connell Wagner along with G Saily and M Hoggard are currently working on Safety Management Plan for Kaikoura. Next Wednesday there will be an action plan meeting.

Australians have come up with new ad campaign. Carnage no longer works. New tactics are being put in place. Watch this space.

Road show pandemic – approximately 120 people visited. There was a huge emphasis on getting to know your neighbours.

10. Mayor's Update

A lot of time has been spent with the draft community plan. There have been around 80 submissions that were centred on 3 or 4 issues. Some significant changes have been made.

Quick briefing on pensioner housing – an \$80,000 allotment has been given to the current housing. Want to make them warmer, brighter and more comfortable.

Hurunui bridge saga continues. Writing letter to as many organisations associated as they can. Campaign to get it upgrade or replaced.

Recent accident involving 4 young people in Kaikoura could have been devastating. This really highlights the need for the Youth Council. Need our community communicating about issues around the town.

11. General Business

Well woman's clinic up at Marae in August.

A Penman reflects on Youth Council—said that they wanted some more murals around town and a youth activity centre set up.

Health Care New Zealand has just gotten up a package – good to be home. This is targeted at the elderly with mild to moderate dementia.

Colin King

Recently attended parliament, looking at introducing refresher courses for drivers. Encourages the community to get on board with this.

OSCAR – met with Jenny. Has made appointments with Bread of Life – they have eight OSCAR programmes running in Blenheim – currently looking at starting one in Seddon. Kaikoura is well suited to having its own OSCAR. He suggests that the way forward is to do a survey – get involved in the news letters with schools.

There are a couple of ladies that are intending to run a programme in Kaikoura mentioned by Megan. These programmes are intended for working families. Waiting on more information.

- Ships adopting a province.

Presentation made to Mayor Heays from Colin King

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.18am.