



**KAIKOURA
DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**SOCIAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE
AGENDA**

1 AUGUST 2007

Memorial Hall Supper Room

**SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 9.00
AM ON WEDNESDAY 01 AUGUST 2007 AT MEMORIAL
HALL SUPPER ROOM, ESPLANADE, KAIKOURA.**

AGENDA

1. *Apologies*
2. *Matters to be raised as General Business*
3. *Matters Arising from Report of 04/07/2007* *page 1*

4.

MEETING	ACTION REQUIRED	BY	DATE ACTIONED
<i>6 June 2007</i>			
	Make investigations into discontinuation of Bread of Life OSCAR Programme in Kaikoura District	C King	6 June 2007
	Follow up on requirements for rural school buses where Intermediate and Primary pupils are required to stand while Secondary school pupils remain seated.	C King	6 June 2007
	Investigate Transit rules on intermediate and primary pupils standing on buses	M Kennedy	7 June 2007

5. *Community Networkers Minutes* *page 5*
6. *Community Development Officer's Report* *page 8*
7. *Family Violence Coordinator's Report* *page 9*
8. *Local Govt Conference Update* *Material to be tabled on day*
 - ◆ **Councillor McChesney will provide an update on the recently attended Local Government Conference held in Dunedin. Discussion entitled "Are we there yet – has well-being really improved??"**
9. *Information for Committee*
 - ◆ **The Rural Bulletin** *page 10*
10. *Road Safety Update*
11. *Mayor's Update*
12. *General Business*

Minutes of the Kaikoura Community Networkers Meeting

Te Whare Putea/Heartlands, unit 3, 78 Beach Road
12noon Tuesday 10th July 2007

Present:

Megan Pfeifer (KDC), Rupia Te Ua (FV, SF), Stephanie Moses (Community Law Marlborough), Lois Valance (Health Care NZ), Ivana Korunic-Menedez (Epilepsy NZ), Colleen Cox (MSD – FV), Cate Pallett (CYFS – Community Liaison), Sara Rosandich (CYFS – Care and Protection), Frank Maxwell (HNZC), Jenny Bolton-Roche (Te Whare Putea), Lyn van Velzen (W&I), Sam Tolman (W&I), Gayle Rae (W&I), Cathy Robinson (HEHA), Stacey Cambus (Project K – Student), Leeann Howse (W&I), Shaun Frizzell, Colleen Cowen Lee (Te Tai O Marokura).

Apologies:

Linda Craig (CDHB), Andrea Taylor, Marama Takao (DIA), Diane Kerrison (Brain Injury Ass), Kathy MacKenzie (District Nurse), Vanessa Goodwin (MYD), Marea Unahi (CCS), Trevor Walker (HNZC), Jackie Burrows (Health Care NZ), Lisa Kahu (Te Tai O Marokura), Daryl Mataiti (IRD).

MATTERS ARISING FROM JUNES MINUTES:

Rupia has been working with Marlborough Community College through SEEK to get a transition to work course up and running in Kaikoura. There appear to be enough participants at this stage and the CEO is looking at a venue next week.

Round:

Stephanie Moses – Community Law Marlborough

CLM is running some seminars around the Domestic Violence Act, Enduring Powers of Attorney etc in Blenheim. They can bring these seminars to Kaikoura if there is the need. Can also run seminars on other legal subjects.

Rupia Te Ua – Family Violence Coordinator

The Family Violence network are running a series of seminars the first to be in conjunction with the Community Expo. This will be on Elder Abuse and they are investigating a couple of options for speakers.

Lois Valance – Community Support Services (Health Care NZ)

Health Care NZ have secured a contract for dementia services for Kaikoura. This is a community support contract and referrals can be made through GPs and registered nurses. This is primarily support for the clients, by Health Care NZ take a holistic approach which encompasses the whole family.

Ivana Korunic-Menedez – Epilepsy NZ

Ran a big advertisement in the Kaikoura Star and was disappointed to have no response. It was suggested that people are only likely to contact in a time of crisis or need so may have kept the add for future reference. Will keep advertising and perserving.

Colleen Cox – Family Violence Response Coordinator (MSD)

Blenheim has been running a series of seminars on family violence.

Cate Pallett – Community Liaison (CYFS)

Cate is new to the area and to the role. Her job entails education and promotion and will provide training to staff in other agencies on when CYFS is needed or alternative agencies can be utilized to keep kids safe.

Sarah Rosandich – Care and Protection Coordinator (CYFS)

Coordinating Family Group Conferences.

Frank Maxwell – HNZC

Applications are steadily coming in at the moment, but there are no houses available (maybe one...). There are 5 criteria which HNZC look at when deciding eligibility and income is one of those. The income limit for a married couple is \$639. If a family earned over this, it would not necessarily discount them as HNZC look at the whole family picture and the other 4 criteria when deciding.

There was some discussion around the low level of accommodation supplement in this area compared to high rents and high cost of living. The group is keen to take further action with regards to this and Lyn van Velzen will invite a Work and Income policy advisor to attend our meeting in September to discuss this. (Meeting date: September 11th).

Jenny Bolton-Roche – Heartlands Coordinator (Te Whare Putea)

There are some REAP Adult Education classes coming up. Barbara Timms is the co-ordinator. These include a Belly dancing course as well as computer courses. The spinning and weaving course for kids over school holidays was very well received and was a great opportunity for older people to mentor and pass on their skills to the younger generation. Jana is currently running a holiday programme which is very successful.

Jenny will be on leave for the next 6 weeks, but Barbara Timms will be holding the fort at Heartlands.

Lyn van Velzen – Child Care Coordinator and WFF (W&I)

Lyn and Daryl from IRD ran a promotion outside New World supermarket which was successful, but next time they will plan to stay beyond 3pm when they would catch the most foot traffic.

Unfortunately the OSCAR holiday programme did not get off the ground for these holidays, but the aim is to have one running by the Christmas holidays if not the next holidays.

The 20 free hours child care for 3 and 4 year olds is up and running and all centers in Kaikoura have taken this on.

Sam Tolma – Programme Coordinator (W&I)

This is a new role which liaises between W&I and contracted services and training providers. The only contracted service in Kaikoura presently is SEEK. They are looking at getting some more contracted services to Kaikoura like Work Bridge etc. An organization called KITE provide courses and training in Kaikoura, but at this stage it is unclear what. Sam will invite them to attend a Network Meeting to introduce themselves and promote their courses.

Cathy Robinson – Healthy Eating Healthy Action (HEHA) Development Manager (CDHB)

Cathy's focus is on Physical Activity and Nutrition (reduction of obesity). Cathy discussed the introduction of a course called 'Appetite for Life' which is a 6 week healthy eating course for teachers, parents, nurses etc. It is hoped to get this course into schools by the end of September. There is funding for schools to access to implement the principles and they are encouraged to apply for this in clusters.

Megan Pfeifer – Community Development Officer (Kaikoura District Council)

Kaikoura Community Expo, 9th of October 2007 at Takahanga Marae. Please utilize any advertising budget that you have to promote the fact that you are going to be at the Kaikoura Community Expo. The more publicity we can get the better. We are currently applying for funding for this day so the more equipment people can supply themselves the better.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Youth:

Nominations have been taken for the Youth Council. There have been enough nominations to go ahead with this and the next meeting is on August 8th 2007 at 4.30pm.

Kaikoura Physical Activity Strategy

I have met with the consultant and am currently getting some information together for him. The consultant is in Kaikoura on Thursday the 2nd of August to meet with the Steering Group and Project Team and will begin his consultation. Further visits will be scheduled to commence community and stakeholder consultation.

Tertiary Education Commission Regional Facilitation Project

A group met on the 3rd of July to discuss the consultation questions. I sent feedback to NMIT surrounding the 'needs, gaps and opportunities' in Tertiary Education in Kaikoura. I have since been sent back a revised statement which now incorporates more Kaikoura specific information. This revised statement has also been sent onto to TEC.

Affordable Housing

Building contracts have gone out to tender and it is hoped that building work will start on the new Pensioner Units by mid August for completion by the end of December.

The Canterbury Community Trust has allocated \$20 million to affordable housing to mark its 20th anniversary. This will be shared amongst its constituent regions of Canterbury (\$14.6m), Nelson (\$3.6m), and Marlborough (\$1.8m).

Health Services Planning

A second workshop was held on the 17th of July. We looked at 'what are the best person/patient centered services?' in Maternity Care, Home Care and Domestic Assistance, Residential Care for older people, and information sharing on health services.

If anyone has any comments or issues they would like to be raised at these planning workshops please contact Megan on 03 3195026.

Community Expo

Lisa Kahu and myself are planning a combined Community Expo to be held on Tuesday the 9th of October at the Takahanga Marae to show case services groups provide in the Kaikoura community. We are encouraging groups (local and outside who provide local service) to go all out and space is booked so if groups want to run seminars or fun events on this day they can do so. Competitions, prizes and give-aways are encouraged.

Planning is still going on for this day and we have some exciting things lined up. Seminar slots are filling up and we also have some fun events planned. If anyone would like to participate in this day or has any ideas please talk to Lisa or myself.

Family Violence Co-Ordinator's Report

We have received a letter back from The Takahanga Rugby Club; the club thanked and acknowledged our concerns.

Earlier this year the club issued a code of conduct to junior players, senior players, coaches and committee members alike.

Players have been reminded of their responsibilities under the code; they also forwarded a copy to me. I will table at the next Family Violence Network Meeting and I'm sure, that we will share any thoughts that we have with the club in the hope to have a more effective document.

Wednesday August 29th is the date set for **Alcohol and Drug Campaign**. A steering Committee is meeting to organize this event. Educating the community on types of drugs, their effects and asking questions to have more clarification.

A presentation will be given by Russ Smith from the Blenheim Police.

Tuesday October 9th is the **Kaikoura Community Expo**. The Kaikoura Family Violence Network is working on Elderly abuse. We have 2 guest speakers who are from Age Concern and Presbyterian Support. We also have available a speaker from Marlborough Community law, who will give us all valuable information on our rights. We are also hoping to have our customized stickers and posters available for this, which we will distribute throughout the community.

Thank you to the brave ladies who sat at New world for **The Women's Refuge Collection**. It was bitterly cold; however I'm sure that the families that are helped by your sacrifice of the cold will be very much appreciative.

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