



**KAIKOURA
DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**SOCIAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE
AGENDA**



5 DECEMBER 2007

**SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD
FOLLOWING A WORKSHOP ON WEDNESDAY 5
DECEMBER 2007 AT MEMORIAL HALL SUPPER ROOM,
ESPLANADE, KAIKOURA.**

AGENDA

9.00AM – 10.00AM SOCIAL WELL-BEING WORKSHOP
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MEETING

1. *Apologies*

2. *Matters to be raised as General Business*

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4. *Minutes Action Update List*

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01 August 2007			
	Provide feedback on type of funding Kaikoura can expect to receive for <u>treating</u> domestic violence following advertising campaigns.	C King	Information to be tabled
07 November 2007			
	Obtain and distribute copies of the Marlborough Regional Indicators report to committee	Megan	
	Forward a letter of support to NZ Police advocating for affording housing for police officers:	Marion	Sent 16 November
	Prepare and forward an open letter against party pills to Kaikoura Star, Chch Press, MP Colin Kin, Minister of Health and Media	Marion	Sent 16 November
	Send a Thank You letter to Mr & Mrs Leary of Oaro for their work toward Rural Fire	M Kennedy	Sent 8 November
	Hold a workshop from 9-10am on 5 December to discuss social well-being – invite Councillors, CEO and Office Manager.	Megan	

5. *Correspondence*

Inward

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Outward

- ◆ **Party Pills letter to Minister of Health/Kaikoura Star/Chch Press/Colin King/Prime Minister** *page 13*

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Minutes of the Kaikoura Community Networkers Meeting

Te Whare Putea/Heartlands, unit 3, 78 Beach Road
12noon Tuesday 13th November 2007

Present:

Lois Vallance (Healthcare NZ), Colleen Cowen Lee (Te Tai O Marokura), Shaun Frizzell, Frank Maxwell (HNZC), Angela Blunt (SEEK), Gayle Rae (Work and Income), Lyn van Velzen (Work and Income), Gina Solomon (Education Kaikoura), Linda Craig (PHN – CDHB), Susan Kovacs (Rural PHO Mental Health Liaison), Brian Kerr (Dept of Building and Housing – Mediation), Gordon Strang (Community Law Marlborough), Nicole Manawatu (Kaitakawaenga Maori IRD), Denise Te Karu (Kaitakawaenga Maori IRD), Lisa Prorau (Business Tax Information officer IRD), Liz Henderson (Psychiatric Consumers Trust), Katherine Fraser (MHREC), Joyce Harris (Supporting Families with Mental Health), Daryl Mataiti

Apologies:

Jackie Burrows, Colleen Cox, Julie Priddle, Vanessa Goodwin, Richard Aspinall, Mary Richardson, Alisa (REAP), Jenny Bolton-Roche, Rupia Te Ua, Trevor Walker.

Round:

Lois Vallance (Healthcare NZ)

Lois's hours have officially gone up to 40 a week.

Healthcare NZ will be employing 2 part time staff members in Kaikoura to cover more Mental Health, Dementia and Frail elderly. Interested people to contact Lois at Heartlands for information packs. The direct dial number for Mental Health Services is 03 3653420.

Colleen Cowen Lee (Te Tai O Marokura)

Tuare Dawson will be running a course through the school surrounding 'Managing Emotions'. This (emailed Lisa for further info)

A Drug and Alcohol Forum will be held on Wednesday the 28th of November at the Memorial Hall from 5.30pm to 8pm (Refreshments provided). This forum has been put together to education the community on drugs and services available. An expert from the Blenheim Police will be there to talk about P, Party Pill and other drugs. Narcotics Anonymous will also be in attendance as will Te Tai O Marokura to talk about the services they can provide in this area.

Te Tai O Marokura is also looking at developing some other programmes in response to alcohol abuse by young people in our community and hope to have something in place (perhaps workshops) prior to winter.

Frank Maxwell (HNZC)

A Welcome Home Seminar ran in Kaikoura on Saturday 10th of November. The need for this seminar came out of the Kaikoura Community Expo. The seminar was well attended and provided valuable information for first homebuyers. Please contact HNZC for further information.

Kaikoura has steady applications for housing coming in and has been identified as needing more housing, but nothing upcoming. There is a need to ensure people continue to apply to HNZC if they have a need.

Once an application has been lodged HNZC will contact the applicant and if they do not reply within a specified time period after a second letter their application will be cancelled. Once an application is current it will stay active until cancel by the applicant.

Ma-rea Unahi (CCS Disability Action) advised that a section of houses along Beach Road are being removed by a developer to another site for affordable housing.

Darryl Mataiti (IRD)

Darryl advised that he has accepted a new role within IRD as a Business Tax information Officer. Denise Te Karu and Nicole Manawatu will be the new Maori Community Officers (Kaitakawaenga Maori).

Angela Blunt (SEEK)

Angela works with youth from 15-24 years to help them find sustainable employment and training opportunities. She currently has 4-5 on her books and expects 2 to be in employment by the end of the week.

Gina Solomon – Kaikoura Education Planning Project (Facilitator)

The Ministry of Education has contracted a team of four to act as independent facilitators for a working party forming a plan for education in this community. It is hope the plan will be completed by September next year.

The working party consists of: Linda Craig (PHN), Brian Allison (Principal), Danny Smith, Mark Fissenden (Business), Brett Cowan (Te Tai O Marokura), Darlene Morgan (Suburban School and Runanga Rep), Lena Kerei-Keepa (Mangamaunu Marae), and Stuart Grant (KDC).

Linda Craig (PHN – CDHB)

Linda attended a workshop with Dr Ken Ginsburgs on 'How to Raise Resilient Young People'. This was a fantastic session and she has ordered a CD, which she will share with interested people. Check out www.aap.org and search Ken Ginsburg for further information.

Club Activate is up and running with 3 families on board. This programme targets children who are inactive and/or at risk of obesity. Sport Marlborough is in Kaikoura once a fortnight to work with these families.

Susan Kovac (Rural Canterbury PHO – Mental Health Liaison)

Working with people with mental health issues, looking at intervention and prevention. Susan works fulltime and is contactable by phone.

Brian Kerr (Department of Building and Housing – Mediator)

15000 people are renting in Marlborough and 1 in 20 of these tenancies will end in a dispute. Things are quite on this front in Kaikoura with a few disputes mainly over small rent arrears. Residential Accommodation is considered anything over 28 days with a tenancy agreement. The government is currently considering a bill on boarding houses – short-term stays that will set higher standards for that sort of accommodation including backpacker style accommodation. The department is currently conducting telephone mediations, which means straightforward issues can be resolved quickly and therefore cause less hardship. These would only be considered for straightforward issues, but could be useful for more isolated places like Kaikoura. For advice etc please contact Brian directly on 03 5778749 or on 0800TENANCY. For information check on www.dbh.govt.nz.

Gordon Strang (Marlborough Community Law)

Marion McChesney has elected onto the Marlborough Community Law Board, so Kaikoura is well represented.

Gordon is still pursuing an upgraded outreach service for Kaikoura, but has not received an answer as yet. The Kaikoura Mayor and the Bishop have both sent in letters of support and the Community Networkers will organize to send one as well.

Ailsa Litchfield Apprenticeship Grant Scheme is run by the Marlborough Employment Enterprise Trust (MEET) and is funded by the MEET Trust Fund. Grants of up to \$2000 are available to people who face barriers to entering or completing **apprenticeships**. Grants are not available to other people starting work, but we will consider people who are getting into recognised cadetships, say in the dairy or fishing industries. A cadetship would have to be a recognised scheme lasting at least 12 months and ending with a NZQA qualification. The barriers faced should obviously be financial, eg the person needs to buy essential tools, or pay course fees or materials, or pay for childcare while they go to night classes - that sort of thing. We try to be flexible about what the money is needed for, but we do require applicants to show that they are facing a financial barrier, and the grant will help to get them into the apprenticeship or complete it.

Nicole Manawatu (Kaitakawaenga Maori – IRD)

Taking over from Darryl working with the Maori Community to address issues and barriers. Looking at running Working for Families and Kiwi Saver workshops in February.

Denise Te Karu (Kaitakawaenga Maori – IRD)

Working with Nicole covering South Canterbury up to Kaikoura. Will visit families in their homes if required.

Lisa Prorau (Business Tax information officer – IRD)

Working with Daryl helping self-employed in Kaikoura with tax issues.

Liz Henderson (Psychiatric Consumers Trust – Rural Advocate)

Liz offers phone support and advocates for her clients across a variety of issues. She currently only travels as far as Cheviot, but would come to Kaikoura if there was a need.

Katherine Fraser (MHERC)

The Mental Health Education and Resource Centre provide resources, education and links people and agencies.

Joyce Harris (Supporting Families in Mental Health)

Working with family members from Rakaia to Kaikoura. South Island Family/Whanau Forum would like a representative from areas such as Kaikoura who are not represented at this time, the person would need to have a family member under Mental Health Services and has the time to give a day every quarter. Funding is available for this.

Megan Pfeifer (Community Development Officer – Kaikoura District Council)

The Kaikoura District Council will umbrella an Oscar Afterschool and Holiday programme due to no other interested party. We will shortly be recruiting a Manager/Childcare Supervisor and a Childcare Assistant, so if anyone knows of anyone suitable please ask them to send a cover letter and CV to Megan at the District Council.

The Kaikoura Physical Activity Strategy is on schedule to be adopted by Council in March 2008. The draft has just been completed and is with the Steering Group and NZ Recreation Association for Peer review. Thank you to everyone who was involved. This document will be available for public consultation in Dec/Jan.

Healthy Eating Healthy Action Consultation – Maori Physical Activity, Nutrition, Health Provider & Community Hui. Friday 7 December 11am-3pm Takahanga Marae, Kaikoura. RSVP to Cathy Robinson at cathy.robinson@cdhb.govt.nz or 03 3378659

Community Development Officer's Report

Youth Council

Toby Hanbury Webber and Dylan Montgomery attended the Council meeting on the 21st. Toby spoke a bit about what the youth council are working to achieve at the moment and encouraged councilors to contact them if they need to. He also suggested a youth forum in the New Year to give youth and councilors the opportunity to discuss issues, which are important to youth.

Dylan presented the drawings, which he has done for the West End toilet murals. The councilors were impressed and voted for the project to go ahead.

Labour Market Hui

I attended a Labour Market meeting at the I-Site run jointly by Ministry of Social Development, the Labour Department with input from the KDC Tourism and Economic Development Officer. The meeting was attended by local business people, and other agencies, to address the development of a labour market strategy for Kaikoura. It was agreed that a working group including myself, Anne Patterson and Kevin Heays along with representative from MSD and DOL would be formed to begin addressing this.

OSCAR – Afterschool and holiday programme

The Kaikoura District Council will umbrella an OSCAR afterschool and holiday programme. A trust will be set up to manage the programme and also to ensure that the programme is not disadvantaged in accessing different funding streams. We are currently advertising for a Manager/Childcare Supervisor and a Childcare Assistant.

Health Services Planning

The 'design team' met on November 26th to discuss what a new 'healthcare' facility for this district may look like. A good cross-section of our community had input into this process. The next step is for the CDHB Site Redevelopment team and the Health Services Planning team to present their findings to the CDHB, which should happen before the end of the year.

Affordable Housing

The Kaikoura District will be putting in a bid to build at least two, and potentially three new affordable houses with a Canterbury Community Trust grant. It is envisaged that these will be family homes, perhaps a temporary accommodation option to help families get on their feet and find suitable permanent options.

16 November 2007

The Reporter
Kaikoura Star
29 West End
KAIKOURA

Dear Sir/Madam

RE COMMUNITY PROTECTION FROM PARTY PILLS

The Social Services Committee is a group of people that meet monthly, as a sub-committee of the Kaikoura District Council. Members include not only the Mayor and three elected Councillors, but also representatives from Police, Health, Education, Rununga, Te Tai O Marokura Health and Social Services, and Kaikoura Ratepayers, plus many community organisations.

There has been a lot of discussion at our Committee Meetings, over the past months in relation to the local sale and accessibility to Party Pills and associated products. At the recent meeting it was resolved that we write to you, supporting the actions that have been taken so far, particularly the proposed banning of BZP related products.

However with the advent of *alternative products being now readily available* and the “stocking-up” in readiness of the unavailability of the soon to be banned merchandise, this committee unanimously urges you to support our stance of an herbal & party pill-free community.

We are totally united in the opinion that a ‘herbal and party pill free community’ can be achieved not only by Government legislation, but also by allowing local authorities to have the resources and support necessary to ensure that if a “Community that is Party Pill free” concept is desirable throughout our community-then it can be achieved-with teeth!

We look forward to your response to this open-letter and indeed, your active support in assisting ours and other New Zealand communities address this increasingly important matter.

Noting that as Central Government continues to ‘delegate’ to Councils many ‘social wellbeing’ undertakings and responsibilities, we can confirm that this issue is one which we need assistance and support with.

Yours faithfully,

Marion McChesney
Chair- Kaikoura District Council Social Services committee

Kevin Heays
Mayor Kaikoura District Council
Dep. Chair. K.K.D.C. Social Services Committee

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BLLENHEIM

16 November 2007

Trish Lenting
Human Resources Department
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NELSON

Dear Ms Lenting

RE: POLICE HOUSING IN KAIKOURA

The Social Services Committee is a group of people that meet monthly, as a sub-committee of the Kaikoura District Council. Members include not only the Mayor and three elected Councillors, but also representatives from Police, Health, Education, Rununga, Te Tai O Marokura Health and Social Services, and Kaikoura Ratepayers, plus many community organisations.

There has been a lot of discussion at our Committee Meetings, over the past months in relation to the many changes in staff that Kaikoura Police have been experiencing.

We are of the understanding that the Police are having to pay market rental for Government Police housing, and believe that this budget constraint is contributing to the staff moving on out of town.

We as a committee wish to convey to the Police Management and Department heads, that a cheaper rental would help the Police in our township immensely. The district needs stability and confidence in the work and knowledge of our local police officers and want to support them in their integration into our community.

Could you please re-consider your stand on market rentals and advise us with your intentions. We, as well as the general public await your decision. The local reporter here is very keen to hear of your decision, and attends every meeting of Social Services.

If there is anything that we as a community can do to help, then please let us know.

Yours faithfully

Marion McChesney
Chair of Kaikoura District Council Social Services Committee.

Kevin Heays
Mayor of Kaikoura District Council.

8 November 2007

Sam & Emiko Leary
Oceanview Motels
Boat Harbour
OARO

Dear Sam & Emiko,

**RE: OARO-GOOSE BAY VOLUNTEER RURAL FIRE FORCE“CALL-OUT TREE”
SYSTEM AND LOCAL RESIDENTS LOCATION PLAN**

I presented a copy of your local call-out plan to the Kaikoura District Councils Social Services Committee at yesterday's meeting and the unanimous vote was to write you both a letter of commendation to reflect the effort you have put into making your community a safer place to live.

Your work in establishing a telephone tree network for your small, somewhat isolated community is being held up as an outstanding example of community resilience and is currently being used by the National Rural Fire Authority as a model example of a community telephone tree.

Congratulations on your continued commitment and thank you for all your good work.

Yours sincerely

Mike Kennedy
Principal Rural Fire Officer
Kaikoura District