



**KAIKOURA
DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**SOCIAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE**

AGENDA

2nd July 2008

**SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 9.00
AM ON WEDNESDAY 2ND JULY 2008 AT TAKAHANGA
MARAE, KAIKOURA.**

AGENDA

1. *Apologies*
2. *Matters to be raised as General Business*
3. *Matters Arising from Report of 04/06/2008* *page 1*
4. *Minutes Action Update List*

MEETING	ACTION REQUIRED	BY	DATE ACTIONED
05 MARCH 2008			
Physical Activity Plan presentation		Community Development Officer	In Progress
Form working groups to focus on food and fuel prices and report back to monthly Social Services meetings		All Social Services meeting attendees	Supermarket Price comparisons – page 13
04 JUNE 2008			
Provide a report to July Meeting on Social Services re-usable nappy project		Community Development Officer	Refer Community Development Officer's report

5. *Community Networkers Minutes* *page 8*
6. *Community Development Officer's Report* *page 10*
7. *Family Violence Officer's Report* *page 14*
8. *Compostable Disposable Nappy System* *page 15*
9. *Mayor's Update*
10. *Road Safety Update*
11. *General Business*

Kaikoura Community Networkers Meeting 10th June 2008

Present:

Megan Pfeifer (KDC – Community Development), Linda Craig (CDHB- Public Health Nurse), Ma-rea Unahi (CCS Disability Action), Stephanie Moses (Community Law Marlborough), Frank Maxwell (HNZC), Lois Vallance (Health Care NZ), Susan Kovacs (Rural PHO – Mental Health Liaison), Liz Henderson (Psychiatric Consumers Trust – Advocate), Pip Stewart (MHERC – Education/Liaison), Leanne Stowell (Work and Income), Colleen Cox (MSD- FV), Margaret Smith (PSS – Family Works), Les Watts (PSS – Family Works counsellor), Adrienne Carter (Kaikoura Hospital Nurse Manager), Mary Kiddle (Kaikoura District Midwife)

Apologies:

Shaun Frizell, Rupia Te Ua, Trevor Walker, Riria Allen, Nicole Manawatu, Angela Blunt, Dawn Marfell, Linda Kitcheningham, Lisa Kahu, Diane Kerrison,

Update of what's happening in the Community:

Linda Craig – Public Health Nurse (CDHB)

With regards to the Education Working party – a public meeting was held with the minister of education. 50 people attended this meeting. The outcomes and minutes from this meeting will be available to those that are interested. A Strategic Plan will be delivered to the Ministry in November

Ma-rea Unahi – CCS Disability Action

An awareness breakfast will be held in Kaikoura in July. This is to help celebrate Awareness Week.

Stephanie Moses – Community Law Marlborough

Currently in Kaikoura on Tuesdays and Wednesday depending on bookings. Stephanie is running Domestic Violence Seminar on the 9th of July at 9.30-12.30 Memorial Hall Supper Room. Please register your interest with Jenny Bolton-Roche at Heartlands ph 9099292.

Adrienne Carter – Nurse Manager Kaikoura Hospital

New to the role and the community. Working on making the Kaikoura hospital user friendly and the plans for the new hospital user friendly and suitable for the community.

Mary Kiddell – Midwife Kaikoura

Has taken on this role along with Justine Hancock. They are part time casual and are currently doing post natal checks and ante natal classes. From September it is hoped that the birthing unit will open again and the midwife role will change again. Women with complications and first time mums are likely to still go to CHCH or Blenheim.

Jenny Bolton-Roche – Te Whare Putea/Heartlands

As Heartlands Coordinator Jenny coordinates the services of government and community agencies. Through Te Whare Putea Jenny provides low level family support.

The Spinners and Weavers group are again running a holiday programme at Heartlands. Details will be available in the Kaikoura Star.

Frank Maxwell – Housing New Zealand

There are 26 HNZC houses in Kaikoura and no current vacancies. There is a steady waiting list 3-4 a month. These tend to drop off the list as they find other accommodation as there is not a high turnover. 5 new properties have been built on Kiwi Street. Frank is in Kaikoura once a month or as needed. He congratulated the local Strengthening Families group on their great work and increase of referrals.

Lois Vallance – Health Care NZ

Works with 18-65 and 65 years and over in need of a support service due to mental health problems. This agency has grown to meet the need and now has 3 staff in Kaikoura. They link in and work with other agencies for successful outcomes.

Susan Kovacs – Primary Care Rural Mental Health – PHO

Working with 18-65 years with mental illness. Identify and connect with the right providers and link between primary, secondary and tertiary services and ngos. Referrals are via GPs.

Liz Henderson – Psychiatric Consumers Trust

Provision of an information service re rights and choices for Mental Health Consumers.

Pip Stuart – MHERC

Liaison and Education. The Mental Health Education and Resource Center is based in Christchurch. They provide an information service and an extensive website. They also compile a directory which includes Canterbury. Please let them know if anything should be included regarding your service. MHERC post out resources and books for free.

Colleen Cowan Lee - Te Whare Putea

Social Work and whanau support (CYF Contract). Also supports community services workers. Court work – support and refer to the right agencies. Advocacy in schools – mediation and support.

A self defense course for girls programme went really well. Will keep running them. Andrew Penman works with the young guys in the community as a mentor. Colleen liaises a lot with other community workers like Lois at Health Care NZ which works really well.

Leanne Stowell – Work and Income

Leanne works in partnership with other agencies supporting families most in need in a specialist case manager role. She has a limited number of clients – currently 8 families.

Colleen Cox – MSD Family Violence Response Coordinator

Works with Case Managers to support and mentor around family violence issues and assists with screening clients. Also works with Community Groups within family violence networks.

Les Watts – PSS Counselor

Mental Health Clinical focus. Accepting Mild to Moderate GP referrals. Brief intervention counseling 18-65 years. In Kaikoura 14 hours a week. Thursdays and Fridays. Based at the nurses hostel. 5 sessions free.

Richard Aspinall – Family and Community Services

Pathways to Partnership – NGO and Government strategic relationship (supporting the ngo sector). In February the government announced 29-192(4th year) million extra funding for services the government considers essential delivered by the NGO sector like budgeting services, family support etc. Services will be moved to full funding (whatever that means) allowing them to become stronger and less drained, increasing volume and opportunity. Check out www.msd.govt.nz for further information.

Megan Pfeifer – Community Development Officer (KDC)

Youth week was really successful with the Youth Council running a Community Quiz night (120 in attendance) and a free movie night. The Youth Council is now looking at future projects.

A Community Events Calendar is now online and is available for all running programmes in the Kaikoura community. Please check it out on

http://www.kaikoura.govt.nz/i_live_in_kaikoura/entertainment_and_events/index.htm . If you would like your event added or updated please email or ring Megan at the Council on megan.pfeifer@kaikoura.govt.nz or 03 3195026 ext 235.

Community Development Officer's Report

Youth Council

The Youth Council has approached council for some funding for 2-3 members to attend the Youth in Local Government Conference in Christchurch during October. This conference will host young people and those that work with them from all around the country and will investigate issues relating to youth and their local communities. This is an awesome opportunity for our young people to be represented at a national conference and will be a fantastic learning experience.

The youth council has elected a new executive:

Chair: Amy Hislop

Vice Chair: Adam Benseman

Secretary: Sarah Smith, Courtney MacPhail

Treasurer: Danielle Allan

The Youth Council earlier in the year voted in Amy Hislop and Danielle Allan as Council reps and decided not to elect new council reps at this time.

The Youth Council have decided to work on a concert for the summer months as their next big project and are looking into bands that are touring over this time.

Kaikoura Youth Skills Project

Earlier this year I applied to the Ministry of Youth Development with the support of Andrew Penman (Te Whare Putea) for a substantial grant to run a youth skills project in Kaikoura. On Friday the 20th of June I attended the South Island announcement of the funding in Amberley where Sue Turner of the Ministry of Youth Development officially advised that we had been successful in securing \$60,000.00 towards this project. There was \$1.2 million to give away throughout NZ and only 4 south island projects received funding including Hurunui, Tasman and Selwyn. 11 North Island projects also received funds. Watch this space....

Cloth Nappy Stage 2 – update

The Social Services Committee allocated stage two of this project \$1000.00 funding to encourage parents to use cloth nappies. To date only \$60.00 has been spent so three parents have accessed this scheme in the year. I have spoken to the new mid-wives who were unaware of the scheme and are keen to promote it. I have also promoted the scheme in the Kaikoura Star, as it has not had any promotion since its launch. As there has been a change of midwifery staff in Kaikoura I recommend that the project is given some promotion and is reviewed again in March 2009 to assess its ongoing feasibility.

Kaikoura District Council is also supporting a new initiative to send all disposable nappies to a special processing plant in Hurunui. Nappies and other sanitary items will be collected in special bags and placed in an allocated bin at Innovative Waste. These will then be taken to this plant on a weekly basis.

The bags which the nappies are collected in are eco-friendly and cost \$4 each. If a mother uses a bag a week this would cost \$208 per year. If 20 mothers use this service the total cost would be \$4160.00 per year. It is recommended that the Social Services committee subsidise this cost in order to encourage the uptake of this scheme. The plant will be operational in October.

Kaikoura Community Expo

Lisa Kahu (Te Tai O Marokura) and I have begun planning for the 2008 Community Expo. This year the event will be held on October the 24th (Friday before Labour weekend) and we expect it to be bigger and better than last years event. If anyone would like to work on this event with us please contact Megan Pfeifer at the District Council or Lisa Kahu at Te Tai O Marokura.

Kaikoura Labour Market Strategy

At the June Tourism and Economic Development committee meeting it was voted that the T&D committee would act as a Steering Group to work with a working party (Megan Pfeifer, Ann Paterson (KDC), Racheal Burgess (DoL), and Ronnie Gibson (W&I)) to develop a Labour Market Strategy for Kaikoura. The Social Services committee will also have input into this strategy as Megan will provide an update in her monthly report for feedback. It is hoped that we can access funding to employ a consultant to research and write this strategy. The strategy will address all labour market issues including seasonality of employment, income and many other issues.

Community Events Calendar

After much talk I finally have an events calendar on-line which can be accessed via the councils website and will be published on a monthly basis in the Kaikoura Star.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fr	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

4th – School Term 2 ends

9th - Domestic Violence Seminar 9.30-12.30 Memorial Hall Supper Room. Presenter: Stephanie Moses Community Law. Please register your interest with Jenny Bolton-Roche at Heartlands ph 9099292

12th-13th – 48 Hours in Kaikoura Photo Shoot www.kaikourawinery.co.nz

19th July-3rd August – 48 Hours in Kaikoura Photo Exhibition, Kaikoura Winery www.kaikourawinery.co.nz

21st – School Term 3 commences

[Adult & Community Education \(ACE\) Courses](#)

27th - MICE AND MORE - Word processing

28th - FUN PHOTOGRAPHY - Create better photos

28th - SELF DEFENSE - Exercise to keep you supple and safe

28th - GOOGLE SKETCHUP - 3D, easy-to-use modeling program

28th - NZ DAY SKIPPER CERTIFICATE

28th or 29th - BARISTA BEGINNINGS - learn to make a great cup of coffee

28th or 29th - BEAUTIFUL BREAD - create different kinds of bread

29th - SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING - Low impact beginners class

29th - MORE INDIAN INGREDIENTS - create authentic Indian food

29th - TE REO MAORI - A Maori language class for complete beginners

30th - SILVER SURFERS - informal beginners computing class

30th - SUSTAINABLE LIVING - learn how to save money and make your home healthier

30th - HINDI FOR BEGINNERS - a taste of Hindi language and customs

31st - YOGA - All ages and fitness levels

For more information please [click](#) on the link or phone Kaikoura High School on 3195138 or Susi on 3197382

It is a work in progress and will hopefully evolve into a fantastic community resource.