



**KAIKOURA
DISTRICT COUNCIL**

SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

AGENDA

5 NOVEMBER 2008

Memorial Hall Supper Room

**SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 9.00 AM ON
WEDNESDAY 5TH NOVEMBER 2008 AT MEMORIAL HALL SUPPER
ROOM, ESPLANADE, KAIKOURA.**

AGENDA

1. *Apologies*
2. *Matters to be raised as General Business*
3. *Matters Arising from Report of 03/09/2008*
4. *Minutes Action List*

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MEETING	ACTION REQUIRED	BY	DATE ACTIONED
06 AUGUST 2008			
	Inform the community via Kaikoura Star of Civil Defence siren	Mike Kennedy	In Progress
03 SEPTEMBER 2008			
	Remind High School pupils to attend meetings	Linda	Phoned school and advised 09/09/08.
	Formulate a submission to the Ministry of Health regarding the lowering of blood alcohol concentration to 50mg per 100ml blood and also to the Draft National Alcohol Action Plan.	Chairperson	Submission sent 18/9 ó refer outward correspondence.
	Write to the appropriate people to vent the committee's frustrations and disappointment to the stalling of the hospital proposal and that they be invited to attend a future meeting to explain the rationale behind the project being put on hold. Gordon.davies@cdhb.govt.nz Alistair.james@cdhb.govt.nz	Chairperson	Email sent 5/9 ó refer outward correspondence
	Write to contractors, police and fire brigade to commend them on their tireless work during the flooding.	Chairperson	Letters sent 18/9 ó refer outward correspondence
	Social Services Committee notify the Council in general that action be taken on the painting of the Library steps and that an investigation into a town accessibility audit be looked at.	Linda	Painting of Library steps completed. The Chief Executive Officer has questioned what exactly the committee is seeking as a request for an accessibility audit is rather

		<p>broad and went far beyond the requirements of the Building Code.</p> <p>The Chief Executive Officer has advised he is unsure as to what this Social Services recommendation relates to and has requested that this request be put in writing stating exactly what is being sought from Council.</p>
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- 5. *Community Networkers Minutes 09/09/2008* *page 4*
- 6. *Community Development Officer's Report –September* *page 6*
- 7. *Family Violence Officer's Report* *page 8*
- 8. *Correspondence*
 - Outward**
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 - **Submission to Ministry of Health re Alcohol** *page 11*
 - Inward**
 - **Office for Senior Citizens** *page 12*
- 9. *Information for Committee*
 - **NZ Positive Aging Strategy 2007-2010** *Tabled*
- 10. *Mayor's Update*
- 11. *Road Safety Update*
- 12. *General Business*

Kaikoura Community Networkers – 9th September 2008

Present:

Megan Pfeifer (KDC), Lyn van Velzen (W&I), Jenny Bolton Roche (Te Whare Putea), Wendy Campbell (Medical Center/PHO), Colleen Cowan Lee (Te Tai O Marokura), Frank Maxwell (HNZC), Gordon Strang (Community Law Marlborough), Gayle Rae (W&I), Adrienne Carter (Nurse Manager ó Kaikoura Hospital), Susan Kovacs (Rural Canterbury PHO)

Apologies:

Dianne Kerrison, Linda Craig, Pauline Wilson, Rupia Te Ua, Colleen Cox, Leanne Stowell, Ma-rea Unahi, Angela Blunt, Maree Normille, Trevor Walker, Kaikoura Midwives.

Round:

Gayle Rae – Work & Income Kaikoura – Case Manager

Currently issuing lots of Special Needs Grants for food due to high power bills and grocery prices rising. There is a new system in place at Caltex for fuel. They no longer give out petrol vouchers and use a swipe card system.

Susan Kovacs ó Rural Canterbury PHO ó Mental Health Liaison

Promoted Les Watts sessions ó brief intervention (5 sessions).Runs a waiting list.

Gordon Strang ó Community Law Marlborough

Stephanie will continue staying Tuesday nights for the rest of the year. If people have ideas for Tuesday evening seminars please let her know. It was disappointing that nobody came to the seminar in August ó question whether needs are being meet. Good idea to link into other events.

Frank Maxwell ó Housing New Zealand Corporation

KDC Pensioner Units are looking good. Shaun is in the latest HNZC quarterly magazine. Applications are building up as people are struggling with rent and therefore applying to HNZC. Kaikoura is in area 4 for the Accommodation Supplement which does not work well as incomes are also lower. Lyn van Velzen from Work and Income advises that changes are coming shortly and she will continue to try and get the policy person to come and talk to us at some stage.

Colleen Cowan Lee ó Te Tai O Marokura

Colleen has been on study leave. Is involved on the governance group for the Kaikoura Youth Skills project, which she is looking forward to getting more involved in.

Kids not at school have been taking up a lot of her time. Need to investigate an alternative education plan. Employ someone to supervise correspondence.

Adrienne Carter ó Nurse Manager Kaikoura Hospital

Usual winter ailments are coming into the hospital. There are still long term rest home beds available if people aren't coping, or for respite care. These are mainly for over 65s and they need to be assessed.

Jenny Bolton-Roche ó Te Whare Putea/Heartlands Services

The budget advisor is busy with a lot of new clients. There will be no holiday programme in the next school holidays apart from the Spinners and Weavers.

Lyn van Velzen ó Work and Income ó Working for Families

There is a free desk at the Blenheim office if agencies need to see clients there on a regular or not so regular basis.

Wendy Campbell ó Kaikoura Medical Center/Hurunui-Kaikoura PHO

They are still hoping to start Maternity Service on the 1st of October, although no funding has come through at this stage.

Its cervical cancer awareness month and 74% of women in the district are up to date on their smears. The new HPV vaccination is available and free for 17 & 18 year olds. Next year all over 12s will be vaccinated.

Diabetic outreach on the 6th or 7th ó 15th of October. Bus to CHCH.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Report to the Social Services Committee – September 2008

Kaikoura Youth Skills Project

Andrew Penman has been appointed as Coordinator for the Kaikoura Youth Skills project. He will be working on this until September next year and hopefully beyond if we are able to secure more funding. He is currently setting up workshops and carrying out promotional work throughout the high school and other youth networks. Upcoming workshops include dance and musical instruments.

Kaikoura Community Expo

The Community Expo was held on Tuesday the 16th of September. 33 Agencies were present from Christchurch, Kaikoura, Blenheim and Nelson to showcase to the community the services that they provide. Although the turnout of around 150 visitors was disappointing we have heard a lot of antidotal evidence that the day was a success for both agencies and visitors alike. The expo will likely be held on a biannual basis so the next one will be in 2010.

Community Gardening Project

WasteBusters, Te Tai O Marokura, REAP and the Kaikoura District Council are meeting this week to discuss what they can each contribute to this project. The next step will be a public meeting to gauge support and hopefully source volunteers.

Kaikoura Youth Council

The Kaikoura Youth Council is volunteering to help set up Seafest and will run a water tent on the day. Money raised will go towards projects including a summer concert, skate park extensions and a basketball half court.

Ministry of Youth Development Visit

The Ministry of Youth Development is visiting Kaikoura on the 29th/30th of September to discuss the Youth Skills project. While they are here they are taking the opportunity to meet with a number of other people in the community working with youth including Te Tai O Marokura (Andrew Penman and Colleen Cowen Lee), Education Kaikoura, Kaikoura Youth Council and Kaikoura High School.

Kaikoura Community Calendar

OCTOBER 2008

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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1st - Kaikoura District Council - Social Services Committee meeting, 9am Memorial Hall Supper Room

3rd . **Big Top Bash** . www.seafest.co.nz

4th . **Kaikoura Sea Fest** . www.seafest.co.nz

8th - Kaikoura District Council - Tourism and Development Committee meeting, 1pm Memorial Hall Supper Room.

11th-12th - Kaikoura Museum '**40 YEARS ON**' Open weekend 10am-4pm. Free entry, special displays, sales table, BIRTHDAY CAKE with Tea/Coffee. Ph 03 3197440 14 Ludstone Rd.

13th . School Term 4 commences

14th - Community Networkers meeting - an informal networking meeting for service providers to keep up to date with each others work and collaborate on projects. 12noon, Memorial Hall supper room. Bring your lunch.

15th - Kaikoura District Council - Works and Services, Environment Services, Finance and Policy and Council meeting, 9am Memorial Hall Supper Room

17-18th - Youth Dance Workshop - Memorial Hall - more details to follow

18th - Kaikoura Schoolyard Market - Kaikoura Primary School 10am to 1pm. phone 3195440 for further information.

18th - Community Dance - Memorial Hall - more details to follow

19th - **Suburban School Pet Day**. Details to be advised

21st - Lions Club of Kaikoura - Dinner Meeting, Kaikoura Bowling Club rooms, Ludstone Avenue, 6pm.

25th - Kaikoura Schoolyard Market - Kaikoura Primary School 10am to 1pm. phone 3195440 for further information.

27th- Labour Day

FAMILY VIOLENCE OFFICER'S REPORT

October 2008

The Family Violence Network are still working on a few adjustments of the Strategic plan and hope to have this finalised at the next meeting.

We have received confirmation of funding for the next year from the Crime Prevention Unit. This funding will be used to organize stopping violence workshops for the Kaikoura community. Facilitators for "Stopping Violence Programmes" are being sort to implement these workshops.

As the Kaikoura Family Violence Coordinator I am aware of quite a few referrals of anger issues. These cases have been referred on to relevant agencies and counsellors, which highlights the need of the Anger Management Programmes.

The Kaikoura Community Expo was a great event this year, congratulations to Megan and Lisa for their awesome work with this, after speaking with many agencies on the day, they enjoyed the day just as much.

I had quite a few enquiries about Family Violence and Strengthening Families here in Kaikoura, e.g.- the role of strengthening families from parents and how prominent is family violence here, also a great networking opportunity, look forward to the next event.

The Kaikoura Family Violence network will organize a morning tea for our December 9th monthly meeting. This morning tea will strengthen our networks and generally wrap up the year, acknowledging goals achieved throughout the year.

A Community Forum is scheduled for Friday 14th November at Encounter Kaikoura. Children's Commission, Cindy Kiro, will be a guest speaker.

The Kaikoura toll free number for the Marlborough Women's Refuge will continue in order to provide Kaikoura families access to this service. Many thanks to Marlborough Women's refuge.

In the past month I have had 2 incidents of family violence brought to my attention, and it is pleasing to have the awesome networks working well here, to support families.

I am very proud of the Kaikoura Family Violence Network for their expertise, advice and support for our whanau in these times of adversity.

Well Done Team!!

Rupia Te Ua
Kaikoura Family Violence Coordinator

18th September 2008

National Alcohol Action Plan Consultation Feedback
Ministry of Health
PO Box 5013
WELLINGTON

ATTN: National Drug Policy Team

To Whom it May Concern

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 was a lot of discussion at our last Committee Meeting in relation to the proposed action plan.

The submission form covers far more in-depth to what we wanted to make comment about. We hope that this letter of submission will be considered instead.

We support the concept of lowering the legal limit from 80mg to 50mg.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further clarification.

Yours sincerely

Marion MCChesney (Chairperson)
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE