



**KAIKOURA
DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**SOCIAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE**

AGENDA

3 FEBRUARY 2010

Memorial Hall Supper Room

***SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 9.00 AM ON
WEDNESDAY 3 FEBRUARY 2010 AT MEMORIAL HALL SUPPER ROOM,
ESPLANADE, KAIKOURA.***

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies***
- 2. Matters to be raised as General Business***
- 3. Matters Arising from Report of 2/12/2009*** ***page 1***
- 4. Community Development Officer's Report*** ***page 5***
- 5. Family Violence Officer's Report*** ***page 7***
- 6. Seek Report*** ***page 9***
- 7. Community Networkers Minutes*** ***page 10***
- 8. Sport Kaikoura Update***
 - M Handyside will be in attendance to present this item.***
- 9. Mayor's Update***
- 10. General Business***

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Report to the Social Services Committee – December/January 2010

Kaikoura Youth Skills Project

The Youth Concert on Saturday, 12 December 2009 was not well attended. There is an intention to pull out all the stops and try to organise a second Youth Concert at the NZ Children's Day event on Sunday, the 7th March 2010. To this end, Al Rae has been practicing regularly with the band as a part of a school holiday program to have a host of songs ready for this event. Jackie Muir has been mentoring the girls in dance and singing. Andrew Penman and the Youth skills group are still working towards the Kaikoura Allstars compilation CD to be released at the end of January 2010. The website will also be updated at the end of January.

The music practice with the junior college students during the last weeks of the term as part of Kaikoura Allstars project worked well.

Kaikoura Youth Council

Youth Council organized a fundraiser for the Mayfair Theatre hosting the popular movie "New Moon" on Monday, the 28th December 2009, with a sausage sizzle. They have now secured their own BBQ and are very keen to do many more sausage sizzles over the year.

The Kaikoura Youth Council incorporation status lapsed in 2004, but since the end of 2009 it has regained its incorporation status with Ezra Parkinson the chairperson, Adam Benseman the treasurer and Casey Davis the secretary. The Youth Council plans to do more fundraising and will be deciding where the basket ball court will go over the next few weeks.

The next YOUTH IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT conference is being hosted by the Porirua City Council and will be held in Porirua City, 7-9 April. The conference theme is **TOTAL EXPRESSION: Expressing yourself to Youth, Community, Council and Beyond**. Registrations for this exciting event will open in February. The Kaikoura Youth Council will discuss if they want to attend this conference and how it could be funded.

Kaikoura Physical Activity Plan

The sailing course organised by Sport Kaikoura is going well with increasing attendance by committed parents who would like keep it going once the lessons come to an end at the end of January 2010.

Please contact Kim MacPherson – ptkimmy@xtra.co.nz for further information.

The Kaikoura Physical Activity Plan can be viewed online:

http://www.kaikoura.govt.nz/docs/Council%20Documents/kaikoura_physical_activity_plan.pdf or alternatively copies are available at the Kaikoura District Council office. For further information please contact Megan Handyside on megspfeifer@hotmail.com or Susi Haberstock at the Kaikoura District Council on 319 5026 extn 235

Kaikoura Strengthening Families (KSF)

Lois Vallance, the Kaikoura Strengthening Families Coordinator can be contacted on 027-2579535 or e-mail on loisvallance.sf@xtra.co.nz.

Community Max Project

Community Max has approved funding for 7 people in Kaikoura:

1. Filing and Archiving – started November 2009
2. Gardening Assistant – to be finalised

3. 5 people for “Project OSCAR”, an after school care and recreation programme. Due to unforeseen circumstances, the OSCAR programme has had to be put on hold until further notice.

Through the Ministry of Social Development Youth Opportunities Package, money is available under the Community Max scheme to fund youth to work on projects that will benefit the community or the environment. The youth need to be employed for 6 months to qualify for this grant.

Community Events Calendar - February

Please e-mail all upcoming events to the Community Development officer for monthly updates of the Community Events Calendar. It is becoming well utilized and a valuable resource for both locals and visitors alike to check out what is going on for the month. The calendar is available on line at http://www.kaikoura.govt.nz/special_features/events/

Tue 2 nd	School Term 1 commences
Wed 3 rd	Kaikoura District Council - Social Services Committee meeting, 9am Memorial Hall Supper Room
Sat 6 th	Waitangi Day
Sat 6 th	Kaikoura Schoolyard Market - Kaikoura Primary School 10am to 1pm. phone 3195440 for further information.
Tue 9 th	Kaikoura Family Violence Network meeting - Memorial Hall supper room at 10.30am
Tue 9 th	Kaikoura Tramping Club meeting. Phone Barry Dunnett 3195086. Upcoming trips: Dillon's cone, Easter - Lake Tennyson (Princess Bath), Linton Creek.
Tue 9 th	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
Wed 10 th	Kaikoura District Council - Tourism and Development Committee meeting, 1pm Memorial Hall Supper Room
Sat 13 th	Kaikoura Schoolyard Market - Kaikoura Primary School 10am to 1pm. phone 3195440 for further information
Sat 13-14 th	Kaikoura Tramping Club: Quail Flat by Bike (or combine walking with biking). A chance to see some remote Clarence Valley scenery. Grade E-M. Leader John Taggart. Ph 3197118. Fuel - arrange with leader
Sun 14 th	Valentines Day
Tue 16 th	Lions Club of Kaikoura - Dinner Meeting, Kaikoura Bowling Club rooms, Ludstone Avenue, 6pm.
Wed 17 th	Kaikoura District Council - Works and Services, Environment Services, Finance and Policy and Council meeting, 9am Memorial Hall Supper Room
Sat 20 th	Kaikoura Schoolyard Market - Kaikoura Primary School 10am to 1pm. phone 3195440 for further information
Sat 27 th	Kaikoura A&P Show, South Bay Domain

Family Violence Report

December 09/ January 2010

Over the past two months there has been an increase in support to our Whanau/Families. The following agencies and people involved in this reporting period were:

- Blenheim Refuge
- Blenheim CYF
- Kaikoura Medical Centre
- Probation
- Te Tai O Marokura
- Te Whare Putea
- Police
- Kaikoura Mayor
- Counsellors
- Mental Health Support
- Te Rapuora O Te Waiharakeke Mental Health and Addictions

Other Community Supports

1. Women's Refuge is represented in Kaikoura twice a month. To make an appointment for support with issues such as filling out court forms etc, please ring Heartlands and ask for an appointment with Rachel – 9099292. If the situation is critical, call toll free 03 520 9999. All after hour calls go through to Wairau Hospital.
2. If a child is at risk ie. from neglect, abuse or violence, anyone can notify Child Youth & Family (CYF) directly - toll free 0508326459.
3. Victim Support Marlborough/ Kaikoura have three victim support workers who are regularly called in by the police to support victims in times of crisis.
4. W&I case managers are supporting Family Violence prevention in our community by putting concerned family members in touch with Family Violence Co-ordinator who in turn can point the family to the agencies that can help them.
5. Pamphlets and brochures about what help is available can be obtained from Family Violence Co-ordinator. In addition, there is partial funding through WINZ if whanau need help from counsellors.
6. Wahine group met on December 10th for an end of year BBQ it was enjoyed by all those who attended. Further Wahine group meetings in 2010 will continue at McAra House -meeting times and dates to be confirmed.

Professional Development/Information Gathering

1. Follow up from Alcohol Action Hui - KFVC is being kept up dated by email www.alcoholaction.co.nz. The action is lobbying for alcohol monitoring systems in communities in addition to running advertisements on television; for example ads like 'ITS NOT OK' campaigns that increase awareness around family violence.
2. The KFVC scrap book is regularly updated. It shows what sort of crime is happening in our community. It is used to identify the trends for reporting to national level.
3. A framed ITS NOT O.K. campaign awareness poster, promoting a violence free community, has been hung up at the Commercial Hotel.

4. TE TAU IHU - follow up Strategies for Practitioners - have added Kaikoura Family Violence to their email contacts. They supply KfV with regular updates what is happening at national level, what events are coming up and when to start planning for these events. This year is ***NZ Children's Day*** on Sunday, the 7th March 2010. Please help to support this event by calling Lois on 0272579535. The theme for this year is PRAISE AND ENCOURAGEMENT! Let's ensure this becomes an event to remember by everyone chipping in!

Over the reporting period two families were referred to CYF by the Family Violence Coordinator.

Lastly, Jenny Bolton-Roche, co-ordinator at Te Whare Putea Centre for the last 5 years has resigned from her position at Heartlands. Mike Ryan has replaced her. She will be missed, but we look forward to supporting and working with the new coordinator.



SEEK Report to the Social Services Committee

Just prior to Christmas almost all youth registered with the Youth Transition Service (YTS) were in employment or about to be employed. Unfortunately as the Community Max OSCAR project has not yet come to fruition some of these will return to the YTS as job seekers. The employment market feels more buoyant than it did this time last year. Since January 2010 there have been 7 new youths registered with the YTS.

In late February further applications will be made to the Todd Foundation, the Tindall foundation and others for financial assistance to enable us to commence the feasibility study into a Trade Training Academy.

A series of seminars for youth registered with YTS or on the Unemployment benefit that has been developed in conjunction with Work & Income will commence in the first week of March and flyers will go out about this shortly.