



**KAIKOURA  
DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**SOCIAL SERVICES  
COMMITTEE**

**AGENDA**

**4 AUGUST 2010**

Takahanga Marae

***SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 9.00 AM ON  
WEDNESDAY 4 AUGUST 2010 AT TAKAHANGA MARAE, TAKAHANGA  
TERRACE, KAIKOURA.***

***AGENDA***

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# Community Development Officer's Report

## June/July 2010

### **Youth**

#### Youth Forum and Event Training

This forum was an opportunity for young people to gain the skills to plan and organize events for their community. It gave young people the chance to be heard by our community leaders and have a real opportunity to initiate change.

On day one was a Youth Forum and participants were also given an opportunity to review current and past programmes and activities in this community. The top six issues for youth in Kaikoura as discussed and decided by participants are:

- Stealing
- Smoking
- Drugs
- Gossiping
- Boredom
- Underage Drinking

The afternoon sessions started with a presentation and discussion from the Kaikoura Seafest Conveners, followed by an interactive introduction to the event planning methods lead by Trash Fashion event conveners. Participants were then given the opportunity to break into groups and start planning their own events.

On Day Two of the event Lisa Moffat (Mindset Consultancy) conducted Leadership training based around 'Choice Theory'. This session was run to help participants think about their long term goals and putting steps in place to help them achieve their goals. During the afternoon session a panel of judges heard presentations from groups on the events that they proposed to run in Kaikoura. This was an opportunity for groups to showcase to the judges what they have learnt over the course of this forum. It also gave participants the chance to get some funds to implement their event with mentor support. All presentations were of a very high standard and really impressed the judges. Three were very close with on a few points separating them these were:

- A raft race
- A car rally
- Beach Volley Ball tournament

The winners of \$1000 and mentor support to stage their event were Veronica Smith and Amber Priddle who will be staging a Beach Volley Ball tournament this summer with help and support from the Kaikoura Youth Council, Kaikoura District Council and Sport Kaikoura. Whale Watch will also act as private sponsors for this event. As facilitators we felt this event was extremely successful. The participants were happy and really got involved in discussions. The standard of presentations was brilliant and made us very proud of our young leaders in Kaikoura.

The leadership training really made them think about themselves and how they relate to others around them and was to have been one of the highlights of the two days. Due to the workshops success we hope to run this programme on a biannual basis.

### Top of the South Island Youth Forum in Blenheim

This forum was organised by Trystan Swain from the Ministry of Youth Development and was held in the holidays on Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> July. This is an annual meeting designed to connect Youth Council members from Tasman, Nelson, Marlborough and Kaikoura.

Eight members went up on the day and had a chance to meet their Youth Council 'neighbours' who are doing the same job. It was very valuable to hear what the others are doing and to find out that Kaikoura Youth Council as part of a National Youth Council Network is doing very well!

### National Youth Forum on Cultural Diversity

On August 21st-23<sup>rd</sup> four Youth Council members are heading to Christchurch for three days to take part in a cultural diversity forum jointly hosted by the Human Rights Commission and UNESCO. Participants will participate in workshops about issues relating to cultural diversity. They will visit sites of cultural importance and meet and engage with leading opinion makers on cultural diversity issues. They will bring back fresh ideas and new perspectives to their local community and Youth Council, strengthening their own leadership potential.

### **Physical Activity/Recreation**

#### Sport Kaikoura

The Sport Kaikoura Coordinator Kim MacPherson has just run another school holiday programme. Included in the programme were ski trips to Lyford, Hip Hop dance classes and an Amazing Race among many others. This programme is run with next to no funding (apart from the ski trips) and really needs community support if it is to continue.

#### Kaikoura Physical Activity Plan

The Kaikoura Physical Activity Plan is currently being assessed to determine if it should be formally reviewed. Many of the short to medium term objectives have been achieved.

### **Kaikoura Gambling Venue Policy Review**

The Gambling Act 2003, Section 101 states that a Territorial Authority must adopt a class 4 Gambling Venue Policy and that in adopting a policy the Territorial Authority must pay regard to the social impact of gambling within its district.

This policy is currently under consideration as section 102 (5) of the Gambling Act 2003 requires the Council to review its policy on class 4 gambling venues every three years.

The draft policy and submissions forms are available from the Council Offices, 34 Esplanade, Kaikoura, Kaikoura District Library, West End, or Council's website [www.kaikoura.govt.nz](http://www.kaikoura.govt.nz)

**Submissions may be posted or lodged with the Kaikoura District Council no later than 4pm, Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2010.**

### **Community Initiatives Fund**

A subcommittee meeting was held on 28 June 2010 at Heartlands Services with Barbara Woods, Kevin Heays, Colleen Cowan Lee, Mike Ryan and Megan Handyside in attendance.

The fund currently has \$3500.00 which needs to be allocated before June 30<sup>th</sup> or the money will go back into the general ratepayer funds. The Committee had six applications to consider:

#### The Suburban School Half Marathon

The Committee considered this to be a local and ongoing community event with benefits across the district and beyond. The Committee approved \$1340 for medals, portaloos and advertising and promotion which is the total applied for.

Kaikoura Lions Christmas Dinner for over 70s

The Committee considered this to be a worthy event for the elderly in our community, but due to lack of funds can only fund \$606.00 of the \$2170 applied for. The Committee stipulated that this is to be used towards food and transport costs only.

Sport Kaikoura School Holiday Programme

The Committee considered School Holiday Programmes to be a very worthwhile opportunity for the young of our community. Sport Kaikoura applied for \$1600 however \$640 of this was for wages which do not fit the fund criteria. The Committee approved funding of \$960.

Kaikoura High School Badminton Evening

The Committee approved this application on the basis that this evening is open to the entire community. \$594 granted.

Kaikoura High School – Triangular Basket Ball Tournament

This application has been declined by the committee as it is not inclusive enough – only competitive Basketball players at the high school will benefit. The committee also felt that funding basketball uniforms which was the main cost item is not good use of the fund.

Kaikoura Youth Council – Year 10 Trip to Parliament

This application has been declined by the committee as it does not fit the criteria – it is for an activity taking place outside of the district. It is also of benefit to very few community members.

The committee discussed accountability and Megan Handyside is going to emphasize that this must be completed at the conclusion of the event when she sends out letters to the applicants.

**Community Events Calendar – Jun/Jul**

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/](http://www.kaikoura.govt.nz/special_features/events/)

# **Family Violence Officer's Report**

June/ July 2010

## **Community Events**

1. Women's Refuge, 'Steps to Freedom' course was so popular that Refuge are running a second one. The dates will be 25<sup>th</sup> August, 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15 and 22<sup>nd</sup> of September 2010. In addition, Women's Refuge are still represented in Kaikoura twice a month
2. 'Te Puna Oranga' from Christchurch ran an 8 week men's workshop - 'dad's are important in the lives of their children'. This was very successful as participants had a 100% attendance rate. Family Violence would like to continue with this worthwhile men's workshop.
3. Stephanie Moses from Marlborough Community Law is running a workshop on the 28<sup>th</sup> July for 4 hours in Kaikoura for workers with families who are experiencing family violence. Issues such as the new Police Family Violence Protection Orders will be discussed.
4. The Wahine Group is currently learning how to cook and budget with an 8 week course run by Delwyn Summerton, funded by ACE.

## **Funding Streams**

1. The Te Rito Collaborative Initiative Fund with the Ministry of Social Development and FACS has been renewed for another 3 years. This means the funding for 10 hours family violence coordination can continue.
2. We have also received a small amount of funding from the Ministry of Justice, Community Relations and Operations, to continue the Research and Advocacy project.

## **Police Statistics**

1. In 2008/2009 police involvement in family violence cases was 19. In 2009/2010 police were involved in 52 call-outs to domestic violence incidents. This increase of almost 3 times can be attributed to the message of "it's not ok" getting out into the community with community members reporting many of the incidents.

## **Hui Attended**

1. 10 June 2010 - Child Protection Info Day
2. 15 June 2010 - Crisis Intervention Workshop