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## Julia Saunders is paving the way at CORT Community Housing

Public perception of the property industry paints a picture of old men in suits doing deals as though life is a game of Monopoly.

A refreshing juxtaposition to that image comes in the form of Julia Saunders of CORT Community Housing.

Read the article here.

### **Legislation and Consultations of Interest**

There are many consultations currently underway. Of particular interest for the community housing sector are the following:

### Reform of Vocational Education – due Friday 5 April

The Ministry of Education is consulting on proposed changes to radically reorganise the vocational education system. The 16 public Institutes of Technology and Polytechnics along with the Industry Training Organisations would be consolidated into a single new entity. Community Housing Aotearoa is supporting a pilot programme with the Australasian Housing Institute and Careerforce which will be impacted by the changes. If you rely on the Polytechnics and the ITOs for training your workers, please review the consultation documents on the MoE website.

### Regulatory Systems (Housing) Amendment Bill 2 – due Wednesday 24 April

The Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment proposes amendments to the Housing Restructuring and Tenancy Matters Act 1992, to simplify the role of the Community Housing Regulatory Authority. This will also reduce the administrative burden of community housing providers (CHP) by removing the requirement to provide information that is not relevant to the CHPs' ability to meet

the performance standards for registration. Reporting on properties owned and on former trustees will be reduced under the <a href="Bill">Bill</a>. Community Housing Aotearoa supports these proposed changes.

Modernising the Charities Act 2005 – due Tuesday 30 April
The Department of Internal Affairs is consulting on important issues
for all registered charities, including advocacy, appeals, unrelated
businesses and reporting requirements. Full information and
background documents are on the DIA website.

Community Housing Aotearoa is preparing submissions on all of these topics and we are keen to hear your views. Please contact Chris Glaudel to share your comments.

### About the Housing Foundation by Paul Gilberd

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# Call for Contributions: The right to adequate housing for Indigenous Peoples

This <u>link</u> may be of interest: 'Call for Contributions: The right to adequate housing for Indigenous Peoples', Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR).

### IN THE NEWS

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### **EVENTS**

# The Shift Aotearoa Conference 2019 - 5-7 June, Wellington



Please register here.

The Shift Aotearoa Conference 2019 will bring housing sector actors together to spark collaborative action for one of Aotearoa New Zealand's most urgent problems.

Policy makers and officials across government, iwi, community housing practitioners, Māori housing providers, researchers, analysts, and those delivering housing from the ground up – builders, architects, the construction sector, finance providers, planners, philanthropists, and front-line staff – will join community representatives and rangatahi Māori for three days of learning, networking, and solution creation for fixing Aotearoa New Zealand's housing delivery system.

Sparked by the latest research from Building Better Homes, Towns and Cities Ko Ngā wā Kāinga hei Whakamāhorahora National Science Challenge and international researchers, and case studies from community housing practitioners in Aotearoa New Zealand, the conference will seek to develop a platform for cross-sector action.

This conference is co-presented by Community Housing Aotearoa (CHA) and the Building Better Homes, Towns and Cities National Science Challenge (BBHTC).

#### Registration fees:

BBHTC, CHPs and full CHA members \$500

Partner CHA members \$750

Regular registration (non members) \$900

AHI Awards dinner ticket \$100.

The 2019 Lifewise Big Sleepout is Back! 20 June 2019, Eden Park



The 2019 Lifewise Big Sleepout will take place on New Zealand's iconic Eden Park, on one of the coldest, longest nights of winter — Thursday 20th June, 2019. The event will see businesses, entrepreneurs and community leaders coming together to raise funds that will go towards Lifewise's work for ending homelessness.

Stripped of their creature comforts, Lifewise Big Sleepout participants will battle the elements spending a night sleeping on a piece of cardboard, and receiving an insight into what it means to sleep rough. Their commitment is rewarded by donations from family, friends, colleagues and the public; every dollar raised goes towards Lifewise's work for ending homelessness.

Register here to take part in the Big Sleepout 2019.

www.bigsleepout.org.nz

### Pacific Peoples' Housing Forum - 17 May, Auckland



The early bird ticketing period has been extended by one week, and the last day to get early bird tickets is now **Monday 8 April!** Register now to secure your place.

Habitat for Humanity New Zealand is also excited to announce the addition of a new speaker to the programme – Vui Mark Gosche, former Housing Minister, current Deputy Chair of Housing New Zealand and Chair of Counties Manukau DHB joins the existing lineup of speakers including:

- Hon. Jenny Salesa, Minister for Building and Construction
- Taulapapa Brenda Heather-Latu, 3x Attorney-General of Samoa

- Penehuro Lefale, Nobel prize-winning Climate Scientist

When: Friday, May 17th 2019. 9am - 5pm, followed by dinner.

Where: Fale Pasifika, University of Auckland City Campus, 20 – 26 Wynyard Street, Auckland Central.

### Who is this for?

The forum is an opportunity for a wide range of stakeholders to come together, including:

- Public servants
- Staff and leaders of NGOs
- Local government officials
- Commercial housing agencies
- Politicians
- Academics

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