

ALL NEW ZEALANDERS WELL-HOUSED



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#### CORT replaces the old with the fabulous



Sue Watson – CORT Chairperson is next to Hon Jenny Salesa. Peter Jeffries – CORT CEO is on the far right. Three McMillian & Lockwood builders complete the picture.

CORT Community Housing recently opened 12 new one bedroom homes in Otahuhu, Auckland. The Hon Jenny Salesa joined CORT staff, tenants, representatives from the Government, building industry and the community housing sector, to celebrate the partnerships that made the new build possible. The homes will be offered as public housing in partnership with MSD.

CORT is an experienced developer of affordable community housing. This is the first completed development from their build programme,

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with a further 155 homes being delivered over the next year and a half. Recognising the shortage of good quality one bedroom homes, CORT replaced two old houses with the warm and dry units suitable for single people or couples.

#### CHA's AGM: Vote, RSVP and attend

Voting papers were emailed to full members on 25 September 2018. Please vote!

Please <u>RSVP</u> for our AGM that is being held on Tuesday, 16 October, in Wellington. The day starts at 10am and finishes by 2pm, with workshops either side of the AGM. If you have any dietary requirements please mention them in your RSVP.

We look forward to seeing you there.

## Our two candidates' biographies and election statements are below:

#### Susan Jenkins

I joined Abbeyfield New Zealand as Executive Officer in February 2016. My wide-ranging role in Abbeyfield's small national office includes advancing Abbeyfield's growth strategy as well as covering operational and compliance matters. I support the boards of Abbeyfield New Zealand and subsidiary Abbeyfield Properties, provide support and guidance to local committees running Abbeyfield Houses, and those wishing to establish a house in their area.

I have a professional background in a wide range of sectors including primary health, social and ethical investment, marketing, education and special education.

I have served on not for profit and private sector boards in New Zealand and the UK. I was born and brought up in Gore and educated at Otago and Auckland Universities.

I wholeheartedly support CHA's timely and challenging mission for all New Zealanders to be well-housed and would be privileged to contribute to that as a council member. In particular, as the proportion of older people in our communities increases inexorably, I am keen to ensure that their particular housing needs are met, and that a better mix of affordable choices is available for our older people in all parts of the country.

#### **Greg Orchard**

Currently Chief Executive, Accessible Properties New Zealand. Over 30 years' involvement in the housing sector in various roles. I am a Chartered Accountant and Certified Finance and Investment Professional.

It is important that we have a strong umbrella organisation with a strong voice that promotes excellence and supports the growth and development of the community housing sector. I am passionate about community housing and I am committed to applying my skills and experience where I can to promote and support the sector together with the people who work in it to achieve the best outcomes possible for the people we serve.





Greg Orchard

Susan Jenkins

## CHA's member survey: tell us how you really feel...

If you haven't had a chance to fill in our member survey yet, please do. If you can't find it in your emails please <u>email us</u> and we'll re-send it to you.

# New CEO of the Property Council is announced



Property Council New Zealand is pleased to announce that Leonie Freeman has been appointed as Chief Executive Officer, effective from early December 2018.

"We're delighted that after an extensive search, both nationally and internationally, we've found someone of Leonie's calibre and expertise" says Property Council New Zealand National President, John Dakin.

"Leonie has a unique breadth of insight into New Zealand property. Her deep knowledge of both the commercial and residential sectors stand her in good stead to champion the industry and work constructively with central and local government."

"Strong leadership is what New Zealand's property industry needs at this point. As someone who has held top positions on both sides of the public and private divide she has a unique perspective and overview of the issues and challenges facing our industry," he says. As Leonie says about her new role "A new journey – let's see what we can do all together." Well put Leonie.

#### Ministry of Housing and Urban Development announcement from Andrew Crisp

I'd like to take the opportunity to introduce the new Ministry of Housing and Urban Development to you as the stakeholders we hope to work closely with.

It is an exciting time, with operations beginning on Monday 1 October.

The new Ministry will be the Government's lead advisor on housing and urban development. We will help the Government to deliver its ambitious housing and urban development programme to:

- address homelessness
- increase public and private housing supply
- make existing homes warmer and healthier
- make housing affordable for people to rent and buy
- support quality urban development and thriving communities.

Read Andrew Crisp's full email on our website.

#### HUD Seeks Feedback on revised Operational Guidelines

The Ministry of Housing and Urban Development is seeking feedback on the revised CHP Operational Guidelines for IRRS Service Agreements and Business Online Services user guide. As a follow on to the work on the updated Contracting Framework documents, CHA is requesting your input in the draft documents found <u>here</u> to provide comments back to HUD. Updates to the Transitional Housing guidelines are anticipated to be available for review in a few weeks.

The guidelines have been developed to support the new contracting framework, IRRS service agreements (Open Term and Capacity). These guidelines are for CHPs and need to be fit for purpose so all feedback will be appreciated, especially regarding:

- · If more or less information is needed
- · New sections you'd like included
- · Changes to the layout/structure
- What doesn't make sense

HUD still need to develop the payment templates and CHA will distribute these for comments when they are available. Please note that Tenancy reviews are currently on hold and will be re-instated in February 2019 – the information in the guidelines are correct (at this time).

The current SPOT guidelines will also be available until all CHPs transfer to the new Open Term agreements.

http://housing.msd.govt.nz/information-for-housing-providers/irrs-tenancies/index.html

Please send your comments on the documents by Monday 22 October to <u>Chris Glaudel</u>.

## CHRA's response to HNZ's report on Methamphetamine

We received this information from CHRA and thought it may be of interest to readers:

The Minister of Housing and Urban Development released a report into HNZ's response to methamphetamine contamination in its properties.

In the report, HNZ acknowledges the zero tolerance approach to methamphetamine contamination has had far-reaching consequences for tenants and families, including the loss of a tenancy and/or possessions, suspension from state housing eligibility, negative effects on credit ratings, and, in extreme cases, homelessness.

HNZ says focusing on zero tolerance was wrong and ignored many of the issues that resulted in a tenant requiring access to a state home in the first place.

Read the rest on our website.

### Housing Instability in Tāmaki Makaurau

The Community and Social Policy Department, Auckland Council, is pleased to announce the publication of the following research report:

HOUSING INSTABILITY IN TĀMAKI MAKAURAU Stories from single mothers and front-line service providers

The research was carried out by the Innovation Unit and many of you participated and contributed your time and insight for the research, so thank you!

The full report can be accessed through the Knowledge Auckland website <u>here</u>.

## Christchurch City Council leadership on delivering affordable homes

Christchurch City Council is considering a \$30 million loan to the Ōtautahi Community Housing Trust (the Trust) to help them build 130 additional social houses for Christchurch.

Consultation closed on 1 October for this proposal to support new supply. We applaud the Council on the leadership they are showing to address housing need in their community. You can read more about the proposal <u>here</u>.

You may read the CHA submission here

### Vacancy - Monte Cecilia Housing Trust -Operations Manager

Monte Cecilia Housing Trust is advertising for an Operations Manager on TradeMe and <u>Seek</u>.

Please email CEO Bernie Smith for more details about the role.

Applications close on 12 October at 5pm.

#### IN THE NEWS

Housing NZ to right meth testing wrong

The Nation: Housing New Zealand CEO Andrew McKenzie

**QLCHT Explores Affordable Housing Option in Arrowtown** 

Auckland City Mission is on the move

Housing NZ social objectives to be legislated

Making public housing tenancy reviews fairer

More public houses open for Auckland families

APNZL opens five new homes in Auckland for people in need

More thermal upgrades for homes in the Hutt

Auckland Council in breach of Human Rights Act

Wellington City Council proceeds with HNZ lease

KiwiBuild comes to the South Island

Onehunga development shows future of state housing

New Ministry brings leadership and focus to housing

#### EVENTS

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Our conference will be held at Te Papa so please save the date. Our conference website with more information will be live soon.

### National Maaori Housing Conference 13-15 November 2018 - Hamilton

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Click here to find out more.

### Māori and Indigenous Housing Professional Practice Seminar Friday, 16 November - Hamilton

This seminar is a satellite event of the biennial National Māori Housing Conference, being held on 13-15 November 2018 in Hamilton.

Members from both sides of the Tasman are invited to attend both events and share experiences and ideas in Māori and Indigenous housing.

Find out more information and register here.

#### AHI Professional Excellence in Housing Awards 2019

#### Housing PEOPLE The Australasian Housing Institute Newsletter

Entry for the AHI awards is now open and you can find out more information <u>here</u>.

#### Innovation Bites webinar - tomorrow, 2 October 2018



Read more information about the presenters and book here.

### FREE - Society Salon - 30 October 2018, Auckland



Social Housing in Crisis - Can We Address this Critical Issue For the Benefit of All?

The University of Auckland Society is delighted to announce the second Society Salon for 2018: Social Housing in Crisis.

 Day and date:
 Tuesday 30 October 2018

 Time:
 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Venue: Old Government House 24 Princes Street, Auckland

Register here.

#### Newcastle Congress - 1& 2 November 2018 - Australia



The 2nd international Implementing the New Urban Agenda and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Congress will be held in partnership with the 26th EAROPH World Congress in Newcastle, NSW on the 1st and 2nd November, 2018.

The congress will bring together stakeholders from government, civil society, academia and the business community to explore the theme Affordable Living in Sustainable Cities: Achieving the SDGs and the New Urban Agenda.

This is your chance to engage with international experts and leaders as well as contribute your own experience to the critical debates emerging around the SDGs and the New Urban Agenda.

Click here for more information.

## What are Wellington's biggest social issues? 17&18 October, Wellington

Date and time: 10am, Wednesday, 17 October

What are we currently doing about them and what more can we do especially if we harness the collective impact of our community organisations, our city council, and our government agencies?

Wellington City Social Forum is an opportunity for people working in the wider social sector to come together to address these questions and build a bigger picture of our city's social challenges and opportunities.

We invite you to register a representative who can share your organisation's knowledge and experience, contribute your ideas, and engage and collaborate with other forum participants to prioritise concerns, identify gaps, explore solutions and propose next steps.

Please find out more and register here

He ora te whakapiri: Unleashing the potential of New Zealand life course research symposium - 18 October -Wellington



He ora te whakapiri means 'There is strength in unity.' We are doing that by bringing three National Science Challenges together.

The conference hosted by A Better Start, Healthier Lives and Ageing Well, will focus our best researchers on how to address the key health issues for New Zealanders from birth through to their later years.

Ageing Well is excited to announce they are accepting expression of interest for registrations. You may register <u>here</u>.

Date: Thursday 18 October 2018 Venue: Te Papa Tongarewa, Wellington

### Auckland Build - November 2018



Auckland Build is back this November with four events in one. Are you attending?

The leading event for the construction and building management industry is on November 8-9 at the ASB Showgrounds with over 200 exhibitors. Read more and register <u>here</u>.

## Healthy Futures, 31 Oct - 1 Nov, Auckland



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Register for this event here.