

# Community Housing Aotearoa Newsletter 15 June 2017

Dear Colleagues

Thank you for your amazing dedication and energy through the IMPACT Conference last week. Your team at CHA are incredibly proud of the joint efforts we are all making and feel a renewed sense of mission, purpose and support – let's call it a mandate- to see All New Zealanders well-housed.

We greatly appreciate your feedback and encourage you to complete the conference evaluation that will be sent out tomorrow. Our next task is to take the beautiful images that we concluded with and merge them into the next level of actions to improve the scale, quantity and quality of our delivery across the housing affordability continuum.

We are humbled by your passion and committed to supporting you to reach your full potential.

With warmest regards

Scott, Chris, Angie, Marc, David and Jordan

## Highlights from CHA-IMACT conference



With 300 people coming together at [Te Papa for the IMPACT conference](#) last week this was an amazing event. Thank you to all of you who took part and engaged with the content to make this the best conference yet. And a big thank you to all our sponsors, listed below, for helping to make this happen.

Highlights of the conference for us included the opening day plenary session with Girol Karacaoglu, David Rutherford and Hurimoana Nui Dennis. This very grounded and heartfelt session reminded us why we do what we do, the interconnection of wellbeing with areas including but not limited to housing, and housing as a human right and foundation of life.

[The announcement by Wellington Mayor Justin Lester](#) to recycle unused office blocks into affordable housing focused media coverage, as did [Alfred Ngaro's address to the sector](#).

Wednesday night's Housing Policy debate illustrated moments of congruence in the solutions across the political spectrum for New Zealand's housing crisis, and their genuine desire to find solutions. Does this lay the way for a homes accord that reaches beyond Government to the rest of the country?

Mike Myers encouraged the sector to think of ourselves as the community housing industry stating that then we might be taken more seriously and together with Kaye Saville-Smith, provided some very practical insights. Mike Myers will be on [Kim Hill's Radio NZ show this Saturday 17 June](#).

The serene and wise words from Nan Roman on how the US had addressed homelessness reminded us that we all have a place in addressing housing need but that evidence and planning were key. She made many very practical and thoughtful observations in the workshops. [Nan Roman talked to Radio NZ nights during the conference and you can listen to this here](#).

[You can find the conference presentations here.](#)

## Our Place 2017 update

### 1. Commit to delivery across the housing affordability continuum



**Invest in 15,000 new social and 85,000 new affordable homes**

To refine the targets, successful housing delivery plans need to be evidence based, have outcomes and milestones that are measurable as well as ambitious, and are living documents that improve over time.

Building inclusive local plans that inform the national targets can record and project all housing needs at the city and regional level exceeding the National Policy Statement - Urban Development Capacity requirements so they:

- Respond to need so that homelessness is rare, brief and non-recurring
- Expand resources for housing support services
- Promote security and affordability for renters
- Support people to buy their own home
- Increase the supply of retained affordable housing
- Deliver new social housing to meet identified need
- Improve housing quality

We introduced you to the 2017 update of Our Place at the conference.

You will have seen that we have been joined in our campaign by 42 organisations and we've refined our goal to an investment in 15,000 new social and 85,000 new affordable homes by 2030 with the requirements that housing need is addressed so that national targets:

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You can [go here to see Our Place 2017](#) and email us with your logo to endorse Our Place. **We will be engaging with you to determine the next level of Our Place at our AGM on October 24** #OurPlace #solve NZ housing #NZhousingcrisis

## Congratulations to AHI award winners



Winners of the 2017 AHI professional excellence in housing awards for New Zealand were announced last week.

Big winners were Wellington City Housing winning: the Excellence in Social Housing award; Leading Community Engagement Practice award; team member Rosie Gallen won the Inspirational Team Member Award and the Tenant Led Initiative was won by City Housing tenant singing group - C.H.O.I.R.

Tāmaki Makaurau Community Housing Ltd with the New Zealand Housing Foundation won the Leading Housing Development Project for their Waimahia Project.

Outstanding Achievement was won by Peter Jeffries, CORT Community Housing, a well-deserved award. Leading Innovation was won by Canterbury District Health Board for their Smokefree Social Housing Toolkit.

## Auckland Mayors Housing Taskforce report

The Housing Project Office was a practical, delivery focused action that seems to have been missed in the [Auckland Task Force report released last week](#). Whether this report will spur a flurry of action and deliver more homes remains to be seen.

## Hive Mind on affordable housing



**The first of Scoop's pre-election HiveMinds will go live this week on the topic dear to our hearts- affordable housing.**

This is an interactive discussion with Scoop aiming to provide a neutral platform for people to explore the ideas generated to build a robust picture of what is generally accepted by New Zealanders, as well as generating new ideas to inform a pre-election public debate.

You, our readers, can indicate your support or disagreement, or comment on these views and add your ideas to inform the content of this campaign.

It uses a collaborative decision making tool that automatically generates a running display and a count of the views that receive the most support, independent of any personal bias. Some initial starting statements spanning the views already in the public arena will be provided and also links to background material for those interested in looking further.

**[We encourage you to take part here](#) and please add your comments to make sure the community housing sector's role becomes more central in the statements.**

#OURPLACE #NZhousingcrisis #solveNZhousing

## Life When Renting Mid-term Summit

'How do we generate a rental sector and rental stock that is responsive to older tenants?' This was the theme of the summit held on 30 May in Tauranga. Over 60 people attended, including older people and others from a wide range of organisations from the Bay of Plenty, Hamilton, Auckland, Wellington and Marlborough.

The summit was an opportunity to report back on early findings and [you can find a report and presentations from this event here.](#)

## HNZ invitation to pitch your ideas

GETS ref : 18734169

This invitation to pitch is a new procurement initiative where HNZ is soliciting ideas and proposals from potential suppliers and partners who can assist them with new and innovative solutions to add to their existing arrangements. In running this procurement process, HNZ does not have any prescribed views about the types of pitches they want to receive. They want to remain open to receiving a range of new ideas, from new housing developments to innovative methods to maintain their current housing stock, and ways to improve the support available to their tenants. [Go to GETS – pitches need to be in by 7 July.](#)

## In the news

[1. Report - Child Poverty and Mental Health: A literature review](#)

[2. Horowhenua Council sale confirmed](#)

[3. New social housing planned for Bay of Plenty](#)

[4. Housing crisis known as early as 2010](#)

## 20 June - Develop an outcomes framework to tell stories of your success



Do you manage multiple programmes, each with their own plans? Are your outcomes complex? In this webinar, Dr Jess Dart will help you design measurable outcomes for your whole organization, in one framework to prepare you for evidence-based contracting. [This webinar will cover:](#)

- organizational theory of change
- lead indicators • co-designing with communities
- commonsense NGO advice
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### **Local Government NZ conference**

23 to 25 July, SKYCITY Convention Center, Auckland



[Creating pathways to 2050: liveable spaces and loveable places](#)

## **Property Council NZ conference**



[Melbourne 13-15 September](#)

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