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Scaling up for Our Place



As we've listened to your feedback on **Our Place** we've heard that we could reframe 'Homes for 50,000 more New Zealanders by 2020' into one where the sector's contribution toward the goal is better aligned with our rate of delivery.

Based on your comments, a revised goal of **'Homes for 50,000 more New Zealanders by 2030'** is offered for your endorsement. This goal means scaling the sector up to deliver **1,000 homes per year, both social and affordable, for the next 15 years.**

Together, we can achieve this. We are a sector with a plan - and it's up to us to deliver. The December 2016 release of the Ministry of Social Development purchasing strategy provides funding for 3,800 homes through to June 2020. That's funding at the scale that matches our goal for the social housing part of the continuum. We now need to get the settings right to action the affordable part of the goal.

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As a sector, we're currently delivering around 350 homes per year. So it's up to us to increase the delivery by three-fold. We have heard from you about the many ways you are doing that. CHA is here to assist your efforts and promote sharing the many models gaining traction.

To keep this momentum going we ask you to formally endorse **Our Place** by agreeing to place your logo on the back page of the document and on the CHA website. We'd like to kick-off this endorsement campaign on 1 April and carry it through to the CHA-IMPACT Conference 7-9 June. Let us know if you're ready to be 'in' as an early endorser. [Please email](#) us with 'yes' and the logo you would like us to use, or [lodge your endorsement here](#).

Timeframe likely to be extended beyond 31 March for Income Related Rent Subsidy RFP

CHA has been advised by MSD today that:

*"MSD is currently considering extending both the timeframe and coverage of the current RFP for **New Social Housing Supply Outside of Auckland**. We are also considering further ways in which we can support providers to help deliver the supply of social housing places sought through our Purchasing Strategy and will soon be engaging with the wider sector on how this can be achieved."*

This is welcome news on the Requests for Proposals for new social housing supply in Whangarei, Hamilton, Wellington, Lower Hutt and Christchurch, **currently due to MSD by 31 March**.

[Please see the full notice here.](#)

The December release of the MSD Purchasing Strategy which seeks to purchase 3800 additional IRRS places across New Zealand is a much wider, four-year funding pool. There is funding available now for new supply in most regions around the country. If you have any new supply opportunities in your local area, check the regional summaries contained in the strategy and talk to MSD now to clarify what you will need to make it stack up.

CHA-IMPACT conference 7-9 June 2017 – key presenters announced



Book now – early bird open until 28 April – and see the preliminary conference programme [on line now here](#).

We're pleased to announce two more presenters at the conference. Talking about adequate housing as a foundation for the wellbeing of New Zealanders will be:

- Girol Karacaoglu, Victoria University of Wellington ex-Treasury Living Standards Framework
- David Rutherford – Chief Human Rights Commissioner, NZ

We wish to thank our Platinum level sponsors Wellington City Council, The Treasury, MBIE and Ministry for Social Development for their generous support and enabling this three-day conference to remain affordable. To learn more about sponsorship opportunities [go here](#).

Professor Girol Karacaoglu



Professor Girol Karacaoglu is the recently appointed Head of the School of Government at Victoria University. He came to Victoria University from the New Zealand Treasury where he was Chief Economist. Before then, he was the Chief Executive of the Co-operative Bank of New Zealand for nine years. His previous roles included General Manager at Westpac NZ, Chief Economist at the National Bank of NZ, and lecturer in Economics at Victoria University of Wellington. His academic fields of specialisation are in monetary and financial economics, international finance, econometrics, corporate accounting and finance.

David Rutherford



David Rutherford was appointed Chief Human Rights Commissioner in 2011. Prior to his appointment he was the managing director of Special Olympics Asia Pacific based in Singapore. He has held senior executive roles in building materials and agribusiness enterprises operating in New Zealand and Australia, has been chief executive of the New Zealand Rugby Union and has worked as a corporate, securities and commercial lawyer in New Zealand and Canada. Mr Rutherford has a strong history of involvement in sports and has lectured in sports law at Victoria University. He has been a volunteer Board member in

rugby union, netball, Paralympics New Zealand, Special Olympics New Zealand, Special Olympics International and for the Attitude Trust. He brings a passion for development and the inclusion of people with disability in sports.

AHI Nominations extended

The AHI Awards Committee has decided to extend the deadline for [awards nominations to 5pm Monday, 20 March](#). Don't miss your chance to feature your successful project and recognise the achievements of your team and initiatives of your tenants by nominating them for the awards.

Tamaki expressions of interest for tenancy management

The Tamaki Housing Association (THA) is the wholly owned tenancy management services business of Tamaki Redevelopment Company Ltd (TRC). THA delivers these services for TRC's existing portfolio of around 2,800 social houses. TRC is inviting indications of interest from parties interested in acquiring THA.

THA will remain the vehicle for delivering tenancy management services and TRC is open to receiving indications of interest from parties that can demonstrate an ability to deliver the services required, even if they do not currently have tenancy management operations or hold registered community housing provider status.

[GETS 18456063 EOI's close 6 April 2017 here.](#)

What do you think of government procurement?

The recently established Social Services Procurement Capability Team within the Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment (MBIE) want social services to be competently procured and managed meaning:

- it's easier for you to do business with government
- information is clear and easy to understand
- you experience effective working relationships with government, and
- there's an opportunity for innovation.

[If you have a contract with government they would appreciate you filling in their business survey here by 5th April 2017.](#)

Feedback is sought from organisations that provide goods and services to government, including procurement by any government department, ministry, crown entity, district health board, tertiary education institution or local authority, not just MBIE.

Research

Disability and housing conditions: 2013 compares housing characteristics of disabled and non-disabled people living in private

dwellings using data from the 2013 New Zealand Disability Survey (NZDS).

Findings from the 2013 Disability Survey showed people in rented homes were more likely than people in owner-occupied to report difficulty keeping their house warm. 25 percent of disabled people reported having difficulty keeping their home warm, compared with 18 percent of non-disabled people.

More than 30 percent of disabled people who rent experience damp. The rate for non-disabled renters was just less than 25 percent. The 2013 Disability Survey also found one in six people with an impairment (16 percent) needed some modification to their homes – most commonly changes to their bathroom. One in four (25 percent) disabled people with a physical impairment needed bathroom modifications and about one in six (17 percent) said they needed changes to their home entranceway. [See Disability and housing conditions: 2013 for more details.](#)

In the news

- [NZ outpacing developed world in house prices – Economist](#)
- [Select committee reports back on Resource Management Act Bill](#)
- [Wellington's rental situation getting worse](#)
- [Requirements for protecting retention money in construction contracts changes](#)
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Events



[Go here for the Green Property Summit.](#)



[March 21-22 -PrefabNZ CoLab in Auckland](#)

[April 5- AHI Asset Management – professional practice seminar Sydney, Australia AHI](#)

[23 July to 25 July 2017
Creating pathways to 2050:
liveable spaces and loveable
places - **LGNZ conference-**
SKYCITY Convention Centre
Auckland](#)

4th - 5th May MELBOURNE: Implementing the New Urban

Agenda: Making cities and human settlement inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable. Social and community issues are critical to the new urban agenda and the organisers of this conference are particularly interested in direct examples of programs and projects that currently address the objectives of 'a city for all' and 'no-one left behind'. For those who have a proposal for contributions accepted, the conference fee is waived.



Fast Forward 2017 – Auckland University School of Architecture and Planning - autumn lecture and discussion series

22 March. Architects discuss design for medium density. Architects from Architectus, Cheshire, Jasmax and Warren & Mahoney present their medium density mixed use and residential projects, followed by a panel and audience discussion.

29 March. A developer's view: Ockham Residential discuss their work

5-6 April. Medium Density Housing Summit

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