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18 June 2015 Newsletter

Dear Colleagues

Thank you to our members who have been promptly renewing their CHA memberships. Your support is crucial to our work supporting growth and excellence across the community housing sector. There is a lot in store – and we are gearing up to provide you with enhanced services and tools in the coming months. Watch this space.

Treasury releases Market Information for Stock Transfer programme

As previously announced, Treasury is moving ahead with the Stock Transfer process. They have just released a “Market Information” **document**. You can read this document, access forms to register for presentations and to provide feedback [here](#).

The presentations are next week in these locations:
Wellington
Monday 22 June 2015, 12.30pm – 2.30pm
Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment,
Stout St Wellington

Auckland
Tuesday 23 June 2015, 10.30am – 12.30pm
New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants, 12-16
Nicholls Lane, Parnell

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- **Productivity Commission:
Using Land for
Housing Draft
Report**
- **Productivity Commission:
More Effective
Social Services**
- **EVENTS**
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Tauranga
Wednesday 24 June 2015, 10.00am-12.00pm
Classic Flyers, 9 Jean Batten Drive

Invercargill
Thursday 25 June 2015, 12.00pm-2.00pm
Ascot Park Hotel, Corner Tay St and Racecourse Rd

Christchurch
Friday 26 June 2015, 9.00am-11.00am
Rydges Hotel, 30 Latimer Square

To register, please submit the registration form by 5pm on Friday 19 June 2015.

Please note the short timeframe for feedback.

Responses are due by 4pm on Friday 3 July 2015. We have been assured that you aren't missing out if you don't respond at this stage. The next phase, Market Sounding, is anticipated in August 2015 and will provide a further set of information as set out in Section 13 of the Market Information document.

We are keen to hear from you what you would like us to be reporting to Treasury of what works, what doesn't. Feel free to contact either Chris or Scott and let us know what you are thinking.

What is happening on the Income Tax/Charitable Status issue?

The CHA Council met with Minister Bennett during its 9 June 2015 meeting in Auckland. We were advised that a further proposal has been put to Cabinet, and we are all anxiously awaiting the result. We will keep you posted and provide analysis on any solution.

MSD responses to our questions on Flexible Purchasing Act anticipated soon

In our last newsletter (4 June 2015) we asked a set of questions on how this new Act is meant to work. CHA has heard back from MSD that responses will be

available soon. We will post these to our website when received and provide a summary in our next newsletter.

MSD releases RFP for the 300 additional social housing places in Auckland

Providers who were selected through the December 2015 Expression of Interest process have now been invited to submit full proposals[here](#)

Remember that the social housing register shows MSD needs to purchase at least 1810 total places in Auckland- so we would expect the results of this RFP to then progress into an open process for the remaining 1510 places.

Auckland Council Seeks Community Housing Partner

On 11 June 2015, the Auckland Development Committee approved a proposal to seek a community housing partner for its Housing for Older Persons. Auckland Council currently owns 1,412 Housing for Older Persons (HfOP) rental units. The link to the report is [here](#). Read the Council press release [here](#).

Nelson Housing Accord

The Nelson City Council and Government signed a Housing Accord targeting consents for 720 new dwellings over the next three years. According to the press release, which can be found [here](#), "It is the eighth Accord we have agreed with local councils to date, after Auckland, Christchurch, Wellington, Tauranga, Western Bay of Plenty, Queenstown Lakes and Tasman."

It is interesting that while the Government is pressing ahead with an Accord in Nelson, the purchasing intentions released by MSD indicate a need for only 10 one bedroom units. Surely if there is a need for 720 new affordable homes, there must be additional demand for social units.

CHA and PrefabNZ call for greater leadership on how crown land is used for housing

Where is the commitment to include social and affordable? Read the release [here](#).

Productivity Commission: Using Land for Housing Draft Report

The Government has asked the Productivity Commission to review the local planning and development systems of New Zealand's fastest-growing urban areas and identify leading practices that are effective in making land and development capacity available to meet housing demand. The Productivity Commission has now released its **draft findings and recommendations**. Stephen Olson with Newsroomplus attended the release news conference and has a **blog post** which provides a good overview of the many complex issues being addressed.

The Commission is seeking submissions on the Draft Report, particularly on the draft findings and recommendations, by 4 August 2015. The final report will be delivered to Government by 30 September 2015.

Productivity Commission: More Effective Social Services

The Productivity Commission has also been asked to look at ways to improve how government agencies commission and purchase social services. This will include how agencies identify the needs of people who use the services, how they choose organisations to provide the services, and how the contracts between agencies and organisations work. The draft report was released on 28 April 2015 and the submission period closes on 24 June 2015. Review the report and details of how to make a submission [here](#).

EVENTS

NZCID Forum – Urban Regeneration in Tāmaki

Hurry – places are still available to attend this NZCID event on Wednesday 24 June 2015 from 4-6pm!

John Holyoake, CEO Tāmaki Redevelopment Company will talk about the Tāmaki vision and plans for procurement and development. The presentation will be followed by a facilitated question and answer session. This is a great event for members to meet potential partners from the private sector and discuss the opportunity to work together to deliver great housing in Tāmaki. Email your interest to Leonie Armstrong at NZCID leonie.armstrong@nzcid.org.nz or phone 09 271 4445. You can find the event flyer [here](#)

Hui E! Community Aotearoa Hui

Hui E! invites Auckland community sector people to an Auckland-wide Sector Hui – on July 7 2015, 10 am to 12 noon at St John's College, Meadowbank. Hui E! Community Aotearoa brings the wisdom from its founding organisations, ANGOA and Social Development Partners, into a new organisation focused on the needs of the broad Tangata Whenua, community and voluntary sector. Come along to learn more. Read more about Hui E! and the Auckland Hui [here](#)

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