

[Web Version](#) | [Update preferences](#) | [Unsubscribe](#)



## EMAIL NEWSLETTER

### TABLE OF CONTENTS

- [Dear Colleagues-](#)
- [CHP Regulation changes notified](#)
- [Timeframe for Deemed Community Housing Providers](#)
- [How are you coming along with your REGISTRATION OF INTEREST FOR NEW IRRS FUNDING IN AUCKLAND- Due 5 February?](#)
- [Save the Date:](#)
- [CORT Community Housing Opening – Thursday 29 January – 2:45pm](#)
- [Accreditation Training 2-3 Feb 2015 - Wellington](#)

## Dear Colleagues-

Welcome back, the year is off to a fast start. We look forward with anticipation to the Prime Minister's speech on Wednesday for the hope that it signals further investment in social and affordable housing. We plan to come back out with further news by the end of this week. For now, below are a few key news items to lead the week.

## CHP Regulation changes notified

By now, many of you will have received notice from MBIE/CHRA that submissions are due **by Thursday 5 February** regarding a technical change to the Housing Restructuring and Tenancy Matters (Community Housing Provider) Regulations 2014. CHA has advocated for fix to the regulations to ease your ability to move from 'deemed' to 'fully registered' status, and although the consultation period is short, we strongly encourage you to support the proposal. It resolves the issue that previously had required existing, deemed providers to change your trust deed or constitution in order to move from deemed to full registration status. **CHA is preparing a draft submission, which will be available from the CHA website by Thursday 29 January.** Please contact us immediately with any questions or comments, and we invite you to use the CHA submission as a base for your own comments. The consultation document is available at <http://www.shu.govt.nz> - [here](#).

While we would like to see some further changes in the regulations, this is not the submission period to do so, given the tight timeframes. We look forward to working with CHRA, MBIE, and MSD on wider regulatory changes to foster sector growth.

## Timeframe for Deemed Community Housing Providers

If you are currently a 'deemed' registered Community Housing Provider, and you wish to apply to CHRA for ongoing registration as a Class 1 Social Landlord, the deadline for submitting completed applications is **Monday 2 March 2015**. This will ensure CHRA has sufficient time to evaluate your application to support your continuous registration (should your application be successful) and eligibility for Income Related Rent Subsidy on any tenants already housed under the new scheme. For deemed providers who do not currently house tenants in receipt of IRR, you can choose to submit your application at a later date if you are not concerned about your deemed status lapsing on 14 April 2015.

For more information on registration and the CHRA performance standards please visit <http://www.shu.govt.nz/chra-home/> Questions? Please contact CHRA at [CHRA@mbie.govt.nz](mailto:CHRA@mbie.govt.nz)

## **How are you coming along with your REGISTRATION OF INTEREST FOR NEW IRRS FUNDING IN AUCKLAND- Due 5 February?**

As the 12 December newsletter announced, MSD wants to hear from CHRA-registered CHO's about what it would take for the IRRS to let you add new housing supply and services in Auckland. CHA is preparing a letter that you may elect to include with your submission, that outlines how an IRRS market rent commitment of 5 years or longer, with 5 yearly renewal periods, would assist it accessing the Housing Bond funding that we anticipate would be available from July 2015. This would enable the market rent available from IRRS to help you access low cost loan funds for your projects that add new housing units. We encourage you to think long-term in your EOI responses- and we hope this is an opportunity to connect the dots with MSD and an Auckland Council initiative.

Please get in touch with either [Scott](#) or [Chris](#) with any questions.

You can find more information including the Registration Response form on the CHA website [here](#).

### **Save the Date:**

## **CORT Community Housing Opening – Thursday 29 January – 2:45pm**

The Prime Minister Rt Hon John Key and Minister of Social Housing Hon Paula Bennett will be opening the new development. at 227 Mt Wellington Highway, Auckland.

## Accreditation Training 2-3 Feb 2015 - Wellington

Global-Mark and CHA are running a two day workshop on Preparing for Accreditation in Wellington, 2-3 February 2015.

Find out more on the CHA website [here](#).

[Edit your subscription](#) | [Unsubscribe](#)

Level 1, Southmark House  
203 Willis Street  
PO Box 11543  
Wellington 6142  
Phone: (04) 385 8722