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Candidate Statements of Nominees for CHA Council

For voting at the 21 October 2015 AGM

CHA has received four nominations for the four open elected positions on the CHA Council. The new Council terms commence after the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 21 October 2015.

Please see the attached candidate statements for:

- Julie Scott, Queenstown Lakes Community Housing Trust
- Carrie Mozena, Nelson Tasman Housing Trust
- Julie Nelson, Keys Social Housing
- Warren Jack, Habitat for Humanity Greater Auckland

These candidates would join the continuing Council of Moira Lawler (Lifewise), Allan Pollard (Trust House), Garry Moore (Christchurch Community Housing Trust) and Rau Hoskins (Te Matapihi)

When viewed along with the continuing members, the candidates round out a strong mix of skills and experience across the regions and north / south island organisations, small and large providers, rental and ownership providers, and achieves greater gender balance.

We are encouraging Full Members to vote by email or mail to allow us to devote more time during the Annual General Meeting to discussing with you the priority activities of your peak body. Full members will have received their voting papers by mail or email, which we request be returned to support@communityhousing.org.nz by **5:00pm Tuesday 20 October 2015**.

2015/2016 Community Housing Aotearoa (CHA) National Council

Due by Friday 2 October 2015 to director@communityhousing.org.nz

I, Julie Scott, am standing for the CHA National Council.

Member Organisation: Queenstown Lakes Community Housing Trust

Nominated by: David Cole, Queenstown Lakes Community Housing Trust

Seconded by: Allan Pollard, Trust House

By signing below I confirm that I am an employee of the Queenstown Lakes Community Housing Trust which is a Full Member of Community Housing Aotearoa for the fiscal year of 1 July 2015 – 30 June 2016.

Julie Scott

30 September 2015

(name, signature, date)

Please provide a photo and a short background on yourself -

1. Outline of involvement in community housing sector.

Julie What

I have been involved with the community housing sector since QLCHT's formation in 2007. We provide affordable housing solutions to low-moderate income residents in the district.

2. Short biography: (Maximum of three short paragraphs)

As Executive Officer I'm responsible for managing the daily operations of the Trust, monthly reporting to the Board, overseeing the administration of our various programmes, management of our \$26m property portfolio, and managing the contactors who act for the Trust in our housing developments. I also managed the implementation of our Housing Bonds programme – the first pilot of its kind in New Zealand.

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I have a varied set of skills having been with the Trust since its inception and good knowledge across industry-wide issues such as charitable status issues, MSD and MBIE contracts, Housing Bonds start-ups, home ownership programmes, .

3. Key Skills: (List up to six areas of expertise you offer which are relevant to a national governance role)

Shared Ownership programme; Housing Bonds programme; Stakeholder Deeds with developers; IRRS through MSD contracts; Charitable status issues.

- 4. Other governance positions held (include year held)
- **5. Election statement to members** (no more than two sentences)

 QLCHT is geographically isolated from most other CHA members and I believe it's important our organisation is represented around the CHA table. I have a broad

range of experience across many aspects of the community housing sector and believe I can add value to the CHA Council.



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2015/2016 Community Housing Aotearoa (CHA) National Council



I, Carrie Mozena am standing for the CHA National Council.

Member Organisation: Nelson Tasman

Housing Trust

Nominated by: David Johnson,

Chairperson, Nelson Tasman Housing Trust

Seconded by: Chris Armstrong, Abbeyfield

NZ Inc

I confirm that I am an employee/trustee/director (circle one) of Nelson Tasman Housing Trust which is a Full Member of Commuity Housing Aotearoa for the fiscal year of 1 July 2015 – 30 June 2016.

1. Outline of involvement in community housing sector

I am a founding trustee of the Nelson Tasman Housing Trust (NTHT), and have been active with NTHT since its establishment in 2004. Have helped write numerous funding and project proposals to grow our portfolio, now 39 homes (with 4 more under construction). Pioneered the first Bond Bank in NZ, providing no-interest micro-loans to people for bonds to get into rental accommodation (for those unable to get assistance from Work & Income). Also helped to develop Nelson's very collaborative approach to emergency housing for women and families. Have been active in NTHT sub-committees on governance, tenant policy/selection, and staff contracting.

My strong interest in community housing has been fuelled by my experience as Manager of the Nelson Women's Centre. Since 2002, we have seen evidence of the growing need for affordable/ social housing walk through the Centre's door every day. Between 2002 and 2008, the cost of rental housing in Nelson (and many other places in NZ) doubled, while incomes did not. This has put enormous pressure on low income people to stay housed, and simply expecting central government to supply all the answers is unrealistic. However, the current environment for CHPs is extremely complex and challenging. New partnerships may be required but will be tricky to form.

I have worked closely with the NTHT Trustees, Director and other staff for years. Recently agreed to step into new role as Director of NTHT when Keith Preston retires in Dec 2015.

2. Short biography

Born in the US but grew up largely overseas (Canada, Pakistan, Australia, France). BA from Duke University in History and French. Diverse work background in small business (4yrs), outdoor adventure education (at North Carolina Outward Bound School, as instructor and programme

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director, 8 yrs), organisational consulting (team and leadership development for medium and large US-based corporations, 8 yrs), not-for-profit management and governance in New Zealand (12 yrs). Emigrated to NZ 16 years ago with my partner who is a New Zealander. Now hold dual NZ and US citizenship. Manager of Nelson Women's Centre 2002-2015. Helped found NTHT in 2004. Age 57. Professional interests: social justice, social housing policy, community development, sustainability. Personal interests: tramping, sea kayaking, lyengar yoga, reading.

3. Key Skills

Excellent relationship-building and communication skills
Understanding of the intricacies of affordable and social housing policy in NZ
Pragmatic analysis of complex situations
Focus on mission to inform strategy and action on the ground
Sound financial management and development of budgets
Governance, including facilitative leadership of teams, groups and boards

4. Other governance positions held

Nelson Tasman Housing Trust, Board Trustee (12 years)
Nelson Women's Support Inc, Chair of Governing Collective (10 years)

5. Election statement to members

CHA will be strongest with the diversity of its member organisations represented at the table. I will bring the perspective of the smaller community housing providers who operate in the regions.

2015/2016 Community Housing Aotearoa (CHA) National Council



I, Julie Nelson am standing for the CHA National Council.

Member Organisation: Wise Group / Keys Social Housing Ltd

Nominated by: Nic Green, Habitat for Humanity

Seconded by: Yvonne Wilson, Te Runanga o Kirikiriora

I confirm that I am an employee/trustee/<u>director</u> (circle one) of Wise Group / Keys Social Housing Ltd which is a Full Member of Commuity Housing Aotearoa for the fiscal year of 1 July 2015 – 30 June 2016.

Please provide a photo and a short background on yourself -

1. Outline of involvement in community housing sector.

Julie Nelson is currently Chair of Keys Social Housing Ltd (Keys) and joint Chief Executive of the Wise Group of entities which includes Pathways Ltd, New Zealand's largest non-government provider of mental health and wellness services, and a range of other subsidiary companies. Keys Social Housing tenants and manages over 250 Community Group Housing properties nationwide. Keys mission is to enrich the lives of people by providing safe, healthy, affordable homes and practical support. Julie plays an active role in the realisation of safe, healthy affordable housing for vulnerable populations.

Julie will have a very hands-on role in the development of Keys Social Housing during the next few years as Keys Social Housing works with partners to provide safe, healthy and affordable houses for people who need them.

2. Short biography: (Maximum of three short paragraphs)

Julie Nelson has a wealth of social housing experience. Earlier in her career, Julie was Manager of Hamilton Housing Resource Centre and then joined the Housing Corporation. While working in this role, Julie was responsible for establishing community housing in the Waikato which involved working with organisations to purchase appropriate housing options. Julie has been a member of national housing committees and has also worked on policy development at a national level, particularly community group housing policy and rent relief policy.

Julie is currently chief executive of the Wise Group and has been instrumental in growing the organisation from one employee to over one thousand people working nationwide to help people with mental illness live great lives. The activities of the group are diverse and are joined by a common purpose – to create fresh possibilities for the wellbeing of people, organisations and communities. Julie's knowledge and experience in the areas of governance, infrastructure services,

leading complex services and development of solutions is vast. She is regarded as an authentic leader who engages deeply with people and builds strong enduring relationships.

Her most recent involvement is through the Peoples Project, established to end Homelessness in Hamilton by 2016. Working at the frontline has been one of the more insightful projects she has been involved in for many years. In addition, Julie has an in-depth knowledge of community housing and has spent time in other countries reviewing various community housing models.

- **3. Key Skills:** (List up to six areas of expertise you offer which are relevant to a national governance role)
 - 3.1 Governance Chairman, Trustee and Director
 - 3.2 Leadership at CE level
 - 3.3 Financial, audit and risk
 - 3.4 Social housing and asset management experience
 - 3.5 Political and key stakeholder engagement and relationships
 - 3.6 Strategy, Entrepreneurship and Community Development

4. Other governance positions held (include year held)

Wise Group Governance roles

Wise Trust Board Trustee – appointed 2001 to present
Wild Bamboo Ltd Director – appointed 2009 to present
Keys Social Housing Ltd – Director & Chair appointed 2013 to present
Te Pou Ltd Director & Chair – appointed 2013 to present
Blueprint NZ Ltd Director – appointed 2007 to present
The People's Project – Project Lead, project established 2014 to present

Past Governance roles

Waikato Primary Health Organisation (PHO) – Board member Platform – Chairman 2005-2009

5. Election statement to members (no more than two sentences)

The opportunity to be part of the CHA council is exciting and provides a wonderful platform to engage with the sector and key players to create sustainable change.

For me there is nothing more important than safe affordable quality housing and quite simply it is my passion.

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Due by Friday 2 October 2015 to director@communityhousing.org.nz

I WARREN JACK am standing for the CHA National Council.
Member Organisation: HABITAT FOR HUMANITY GREATER AUCKLAND
Nominated by: (name and organisation) LISA WOOLLEY VISIONWEST Community TRUST.
Seconded by: (name and organisation) DAVID ZUSSMAN MONTE CECILIA HOUSING TRUST.
By signing below I confirm that I am an employee/trustee/director (circle one) of HABITAT FOR Hymory CARRIED Which is a Full Member of Commuity Housing Aotearoa for the fiscal year of 1 July 2015 – 30 June 2016.
WARREN JACK Mark 1, 10, 2015
(name, signature, date)
Please provide a photo and a short background on yourself -
1. Outline of involvement in community housing sector.
2. Short biography: (Maximum of three short paragraphs)
3. Key Skills: (List up to six areas of expertise you offer which are relevant to a national governance role)

5. Election statement to members (no more than two sentences)

Other governance positions held (include year held)

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Re: Warren Jack nomination to CHA Council

1. Outline of involvement in the Community Housing Sector:

Volunteer with Habitat for Humanity Manukau, now Habitat for Humanity Greater Auckland, from the time of its inception in New Zealand in November 1994.

Employed by Habitat for Humanity on job share basis between Habitat NZ and Habitat Manukau for 2 years from 2000 and then full time with Habitat Manukau, now Greater Auckland.

Participated in housing projects in Samoa, Fiji, Nepal, Cambodia, Vietnam and Mongolia.

Involvement with Auckland Regional Community Housing (ARCH) and then with its successor, Auckland Community Housing Providers Network (ACHPN) since its inception.

Member of Community Housing Aotearoa Council for 4 years, 3 years of which as Co-chair.

2. Short biography:

Warren Jack is currently Manager: Strategic Programmes for Habitat for Humanity Auckland having recently completed 15 years as its Executive Director. He is also a Board member of HFH Northland. He has been involved with Habitat since its early days in New Zealand in 1994, initially as a volunteer and since the beginning of 2000 as a staff member. He worked for the National Office for three years as the Affiliate Development Director and was concurrently the Executive Officer and the first employee of what was then the Manukau Affiliate. He is the Co-Chair of Community Housing Aotearoa and also chairs the Lifegrowth Community Trust of the East City Wesleyan Church and is one of the Servant Leaders of that Church.

Warren has a Mechanical Engineering degree and a Diploma in Business (Marketing). He worked in the motor industry for 25 years during which time he held a variety of Senior Management positions in Engineering, Product Development, Project Management, Supply and Production. His last role within the industry was as Assembly Operations Manager at a Truck and Bus assembly plant. His extended family has been involved in the Construction Industry in NZ for 4 generations.

3. Key skills:

Strategic planning, Community Development, Project Management, Governance, Tenancy and Asset Management, Systems Development, Resource Development, Marketing,

4. Other Governance positions held:

a. Habitat for Humanity Manukau Ltd ~ 1995 ~ 2000

b. Habitat for Humanity Franklin Limited: 2001 ~ 2006

c. Habitat for Humanity Ormiston Limited: 2001 ~ 2007

d. Habitat for Humanity Northland Limited: 2013 ~ present

e. CHA Council: 2011 ~ present (Co-chair 2013 ~ present)

f. LifeGrowth Community Trust: 2003 ~ present (Chair)

g. Wesleyan Methodist Church of NZ National Council: 2012 ~ present

5. Election statement to members:

Over the past 2 $^{\sim}$ 3 years, CHA has developed into an extremely active and vital peak body which is representative of the Community Housing Sector, responsive to the needs of its members and one that is respected by Government politicians and officials as being a credible voice whose opinion is valued and sought at a much earlier stage in the policy development cycle than in earlier years.

This has been achieved through a well-executed strategic plan, employment of skilled community housing professionals and careful oversight by a competent council to which I am seeking re-election to provide continuity of governance and ensure that CHA continues to grow its impact during this era of radical social housing reforms.

