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Community Housing Aotearoa (CHA) Newsletter 17 August 2020

Welcome to the fortnightly newsletter of Community Housing
Aotearoa *Nga Wharerau o Aotearoa*.

Included in this issue – an opportunity to hear from political parties on
their ideas for housing, the launch of Te Maihi o te Whare Māori,
Auditor General follow up report on housing, guidelines on the right to
a decent homes, news and upcoming events.

Register Now! CHA's online housing webinar

The election may be delayed until October, but the Community
Housing Aotearoa online webinar is proceeding this Thursday. We
have confirmed the attendance of five politicians and political party
spokespeople to discuss their housing policies, what they intend to
do for affordable housing if they get elected, and how they will work
with the community housing sector to provide more of the affordable
homes New Zealanders need. There will also be an opportunity to
ask some questions.

The webinar will be hosted on zoom from 4pm to 5.30pm
on **Thursday 20 August** and will be facilitated by experienced TV
journalist and presenter [Rawdon Christie](#).

Register for this free event on [20 August from 4 – 5.30pm](#).

Launch of Te Maihi o te Whare Māori

Te Maihi o te Whare Māori - the Māori and Iwi Housing Innovation Framework for Action (MAIHI) was launched last week on Tuesday 11th August 2020. MAIHI puts Māori at the heart of Aotearoa New Zealand's housing narrative, acknowledges the history of Māori housing, and seeks to respond to these needs through kaupapa Māori approaches.

Coinciding with the launch of MAIHI, a partnership between Hutt City Council, Kahungunu Whānau Services, Te Rūnanganui o Te Āti Awa, and Council-owned organisation, Urban Plus Limited was announced.

See full article [here](#).

Congratulations to Ali and her team at **Kahungunu Whānau Services**. If you need more information about Kahungunu Whānau Services contact the team [here](#).

Te Tūāpapa Kura Kainga - new fund opened on 4 August 2020 and closes at 5.00pm on 29 September 2020.

He Taupua (the fund) will contribute to successful applications that seek to support the implementation of MAIHI by strengthening the delivery of kaupapa Māori approaches and building the capability of whānau and Ahuwhenua Trusts, hapū, iwi, and registered Māori housing providers.

A total fund of \$3 million is available for 2020/2021 (FYE 30 June 2021) seeks to invest in initiatives that provide support to whānau facing housing insecurity and/or experiencing homelessness. Applications for He Taupua funding will be up to a maximum of \$500,000 (GST excl.).

The funding link is available via the HUD website [here](#).

Guidelines on the right to a decent home - engagement underway

Engagement is ongoing to inform the Human Rights Commission's development of guidelines on the right to a decent home.

The Shift Aotearoa project lead Brennan Rigby is carrying out engagement meetings mainly via Zoom.

Please contact Brennan via [email](#) if you would like to learn more, participate in a meeting, or schedule a meeting for your organisation to learn more and provide feedback to the process.

Wed 26 Aug, 1 – 2:30 Meeting

Friday 28 Aug, 1 – 2:30 Meeting

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Auditor General Report

The Auditor-General released a report on 4 August looking into *Using information to improve public housing services – Progress in responding to the Auditor-General's recommendations*. This is a follow up to a prior report. In 2017, the Auditor-General published a report describing how well Housing New Zealand Corporation used information to manage tenancies, maintain its properties, and manage and invest in new and existing public housing. They've now published a follow-up report that looks at how well Kāinga Ora, the Ministry of Social Development, and the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) have responded to the recommendations in our 2017 report.

Click here for [full](#) report.

In the news

- [New Partnership To Help Those In Dire Need Into Housing](#)
- [Government back new social housing in Manawatu](#)
- [Survey highlights impact of Covid-19 on the community and voluntary sector](#)
- [Community housing providers calling for bold innovative action](#)
- [Housing in Northland featured on 'Going Without'](#)

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Election Forum on Mental Health and Addiction

This event will be hosted by **Platform Trust** (Platform) and the regional Navigate networks. Platform champions the community sector in New Zealand as a positive place for people with mental health & addiction issues to live, learn, and work.

Join us for the only election forum where all political parties will discuss mental health, addiction and wellbeing.

Event to be held at the following time and date:
Wednesday, 19 August 2020 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm (NZST)

Please see the **new link to register** [here](#) - **Note:** for those who previously signed up to do so again apologies for the confusion.

Once you've registered, you'll be sent a link to the Zoom event.

Upcoming Australasian Housing Institute Training 2020

August 2020

19th August 2020 - Coaching Essentials - Online Workshop

September 2020

1st September 2020 - Dealing with Complex and Difficult Clients

3rd September 2020 - Wellness Virtual Workshop

Member Engagement Events

To make sure the **Membership discount is applied**, please log in to the website as a member and click Lookup button at the event registration window.

If you're **experiencing any issues with registration**, please [email](#) or call +61 2 6494 7566 for assistance.

For more information click [here](#) to see all the details on the Australasian Housing Institute website.