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Community Housing Aotearoa (CHA) Newsletter 15 March 2021

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

Articles in this issue include Progressive Home Ownership; Lifemark 4-star Certification for public housing units, On-going building lifecycle costs; update on Government Policy Statement on Housing and Urban Development and Resource Management reform; In the News, and Events.

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Over the past two weeks in the media we have seen some great examples of Progressive Home Ownership (PHO) in action and the benefits these developments are providing residents and their communities.

On Friday, Minister Hon Dr Megan Woods attended the opening of Queenstown Lakes Community Housing Trust's (QLCHT) new PHO units. In the photo above, QLCHT executive officer Julie Scott stands to the left of Housing Minister Megan Woods. Also in the photo are Queenstown Lakes mayor Jim Boulton and QLCHT trustee Joanne Conroy.

Read more about the opening [here](#).

Habitat for Humanity Contracted to Build 33 New Homes Under Progressive Home Ownership

Habitat New Zealand announced it will receive \$8.25m funding toward building 33 affordable homes thanks to the PHO programme. Construction on the homes has begun and expect to be completed in late 2022. Read the full media release [here](#).

The KiwiBuy campaign also took the opportunity to endorse the PHO and reminded readers that 150 new homes are currently under construction or in development around the country and that there is more to come. Read the full media release [here](#).

Accessible Properties Get Lifemark® 4-Star Certification For Public Housing Units



Accessible Properties has recently achieved Lifemark® 4-Star Certifications for eight public housing units in Mt Maunganui. The units meet Universal Design levels that best support an aging occupant with changing needs.

Accessible Properties is a member of the IHC Group providing good quality, affordable homes, and property management services to people with disabilities, older people, and those on low incomes.

The full case study is available [here](#).

Te Puea Memorial Marae Indigenous Homeless Service finalist in 2021 Kiwibank Awards

Kiwibank New Zealander of the Year Awards take place at the end of the month. A big shout out to Te Puea Memorial Marae Indigenous Homeless Service who are one of the 2021 finalists for the Mitre 10 New Zealand Community of the Year – Nga Pou Whirinaki o Te Tau Award for their response to homelessness in Tāmaki Makaurau (Auckland).

Other finalists include Christchurch Mosque Victims Group and Trees That Count. The winner will be announced at the Awards dinner on 31 March.

What Are The On-going Building Lifecycle Costs of a New Building?

A question that we're frequently asked is: how much budget should be allocated towards operating and maintaining a new building? Buildings can be maintained to perpetuity – in other words, buildings can last forever. But should they be maintained forever? Find out how much budget SPM Assets recommends should be allocated towards operating and maintaining a new building [here](#)

Government Housing System Settings in Development: Government Policy Statement on Housing and Urban Development and Resource Management Reform

The Kāinga Ora Homes and Communities Act requires HUD to deliver the Government Policy Statement on Housing and Urban Development by October 2021. Both the internal development of the GPS and engagement has been disrupted by COVID-19 related impacts, but the timeframe remains in place. This process is now on-going alongside the Resource Management reforms; announced soon after the 2020 election.

CHA has asked HUD to publish a summary of the feedback that it received regarding the GPS from the stakeholders it consulted back in September 2020 as part of its process. We requested a clear map, to illustrate the direct links between what stakeholders said in last year's consultation, and what HUD's proposed draft GPS statement says. Further, we asked HUD to clearly say when it disagreed with what stakeholders said – and for HUD to set out what it proposes as a better approach. We will keep you posted what we hear.

HUD recently engaged with both the CEO and Sector Leaders Forum and the Te Waipounamu network. In April HUD will be attending the Auckland network meeting to discuss the GPS.

We understand the Resource Management reforms are likely to reach a first reading around June. We're focusing on ensuring that Inclusionary Zoning is enabled nationally through the present reforms, so local authorities are able to implement those provisions within an enabling legal environment. We've worked with Te Matapihi to support advocacy to Members of Parliament focused on Māori outcomes, we have communicated our expectations directly to Minister Parker, and we are currently engaged in LGNZ's conversation with central government agencies to inform those agencies how affordable housing may be achieved through the reforms, the opportunity to include inclusionary zoning, and/or other provisions.

In the News

- [Are investors starting to step back from the housing market?](#)
- [Pasifika family say they cannot find a rental despite turning their lives around](#)
- [Kāinga Ora to begin issuing building consents in less than two weeks](#)
- [Ted Manson Foundation project is New Zealand's biggest new philanthropic social housing scheme](#)

EVENTS

Webinar on Self-determined Housing Options for Youth Leaving Care

Brought to you by Manaaki Rangatahi Ki Tāmaki Makaurau and Community Housing Aotearoa.

[Self-determined Housing Options for Youth Leaving Care](#)
by Brook Turner

Thursday, 18 March 2021, 5:00pm – 6:30pm

Please register [HERE](#) in advance.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email with information about joining the webinar. If you have any queries please [email](#) Amanda Kelly.

Ngā Kōrero speaker series: Housing and Poverty: Can we fix it?

Come along and hear from Minister of Finance Hon Grant Robertson and economist, author, and media commentator Shamubeel Eaqub.

Ngā Kōrero speaker series at St Peters on Willis continues with "Housing and Poverty: Can we fix it?"

Speakers: Hon Grant Robertson, Minister of Finance, Deputy Prime Minister Shamubeel Eaqub, economist, author, media commentator

Date and time: Tuesday 30 March, 5.30pm Refreshments/6pm Speakers /7.30pm End. St Peter's on Willis, 211 Willis St, Wellington
We will be live-streaming the event on our Facebook page for those who can't make it in person. This is a free event, koha towards our ongoing activities is appreciated. [Please register](#) for catering purposes.

The Changing Environment of Residential Tenancy Law Workshops

If you would like to ensure you and your team are up to date and confident in dealing with housing issues as they arise, Kathryn Burton is offering a number of workshop opportunities.

The Changing Environment of Residential Tenancy Law:

Since December 2018 there have been numerous and significant changes to Residential Tenancy Law in Aotearoa New Zealand. This **one-day workshop** takes an in-depth look at law changes and the impact they will have for both tenants and housing providers. As well as putting the new legislation under the microscope, there will be an opportunity to brainstorm the steps needed so your organisation is ready for this new landscape.

This workshop is designed for those already familiar with basic Tenancy Law who want to stay up to date with the latest changes.

In Person Opportunity: Auckland

When: Wednesday, 7 April 9am-3.30pm
Where: Manukau City Baptist Church, 9 Lambie Drive Manukau
Cost: \$150 + GST per person (includes lunch)

Register now by clicking the [link](#).

Zoom on-line Session:

When: Wednesday, 5 May and Thursday, 6 May;
9:00am – 12:00pm each day
Where: Delivered via Zoom
Cost: \$120 + GST per person

Register now by clicking the [link](#).

Tenancy Law Fundamentals:

This extensive and in-depth workshop will take participants through the Residential Tenancy Act covering everything from rent, records, damage, healthy homes, methamphetamine, and bonds right through to navigating the Tenancy Tribunal process. This 12 hour workshop is initially being offered via Zoom and will take place over four, three hour sessions held across two weeks. I am also seeking expressions of interest from those who would be interested in attending an in-person session which would be held over two days in Auckland.

Zoom Date: Tuesday 13, Wednesday 14, Tuesday 20 and
Wednesday 21 April

Zoom Time: 9:00am – 12:00pm each day

Zoom Cost: \$250 +GST per person

Register [Now](#).

Auckland Date: Wednesday 28 and Thursday 29 April

Auckland Time: 9:00am – 3.30pm each day

Auckland Cost: \$350 + GST per person

Bookings will open at a later date.

To register interest, please email kathrynburton@xtra.co.nz

AHI Brighter Future Awards

The Australasian Housing Institute award nominations are due in two weeks.

Since 2004, the awards have recognised the wonderful contribution made by dedicated housing professionals across Australia and New Zealand.

The brighter future awards allows you to nominate a company, a project or a person from one of 14 categories, including four new categories. View the full list of award categories and submit an award nomination [here](#)

Resources

Useful training resource - Addiction 101 training.

Click [here](#) to view full details.

Addiction 101

Understanding addiction and recovery.

Description

Addiction 101 is a one-day workshop designed to increase awareness and reduce the stigma associated with addiction - both at work and in everyday life.

During Addiction 101, you will:

- use Te Whare Tapa Whā to understand addiction and recovery
- recognise signs of addiction issues
- relate brain and body responses to addiction
- respond supportively to people experiencing addiction issues.