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#### **NEWSLETTER 23 JULY 2018**

### CHA Council approves draft strategic plan for sector consultation

At their 20 July meeting, the CHA Council approved a draft strategic plan for CHA to support implementation of our sector vision of All New Zealanders well-housed. The biggest shift is that it explicitly devotes CHA attention towards 'a responsive housing system' as well as increasing supply and supporting quality providers.

Garry Moore is available to engage with your feedback, in particular on what the Member Charter should include. Please contact Garry or any of the CHA staff or board with your thoughts and suggestions. We will be compiling this for discussion at the CHA Annual General Meeting on 16 October 2018.

Look at our draft plan here.

#### **Indigenous Urbanism podcasts**



Jade Kake, formerly of Te Matapihi, has created a series of podcasts called <a href="Indigenous Urbanism">Indigenous Urbanism</a>.

They feature stories on a number of Māori housing projects, many of which were funded through the Māori Housing Network Te Puni

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Kōkiri. The project was funded by Te Matapihi as part of the organisation's workstream around developing resources for the sector.

The episode summaries are here.

#### **MSD Contracting Framework update**

The Ministry of Social Development is progressing with the review of the proposed new Contracting Framework documents for its purchasing of social and transitional housing services. Under its contract for services with the government, CHA has been asked to coordinate provider input to MSD on behalf of the sector. To date, we have heard provider concerns that the documents do not reflect Crown obligations under the Treaty of Waitangi. We have also received comments on specific sections regarding Intellectual Property, Performance Measures and calls for greater clarity on mutual obligations of MSD and providers. The draft documents are posted to our website here.

The first workshop with providers was held on Wednesday 4 July and focused on the overarching Relationship Agreement. The second workshop on Wednesday 11 July reviewed the Open Term (Spot) Services Agreement and started into the Capacity Services Agreement. The third workshop on Wednesday 18 July continued the Capacity Services Agreement along with the Property and Asset Management Requirements. The Tenancy Management Requirements were started and will continue this week. The New Supply Development Funding will also be reviewed this week.

Comments or concerns on these documents should be sent to <a href="Chris Glaudel">Chris is also organising conference calls with providers to discuss your ideas and proposed changes to the drafts. We have posted member comments onto the password protected <a href="Members">members</a>' <a href="Section">section</a> of our website and welcome your feedback on additional comments to post there. A question for this week is if you agree with the following proposed Performance Measures:

- · Occupancy percentage
- # days to turn units after vacancy
- % of tenants in rent arrears over 21 days
- % of tenants evicted
- % of tenants satisfied (per survey results)
- Urgent repairs carried out within agreed time frame (e.g. four hours for urgent health and safety items).

The exact performance levels need to be agreed (e.g. 90% occupancy?; XX days to turn a unit).

### Abbeyfield is taking a lead on raising the issues of housing the elderly

Read and listen to the story from RNZ here.

### Auckland City Mission's Te Whare Manaaki Wāhine

Te Whare Manaaki Wāhine opened on Sunday 1 July and will remain open until 30 September.

- It will provide a 10-bed, night-by-night shelter for women and those who identify as women (ie, transgender women).
- Each woman who stays at Te Whare Manaaki Wāhine will be provided with food, a warm bed, a shower, laundry facilities, and support services where appropriate.

The Auckland City Mission is currently running their mid-year fundraising drive. Donations to their Winter Appeal can be made <a href="hereor">hereor</a> by calling the City Mission on 09 303 9200.

#### Consumer NZ's free guide for renters

Consumer NZ has developed a simple guide for renters to help choose healthy rental properties, and improve the health and warmth of rental properties. This was supported by Ministry of Health.

The guide is free and can be found here.

It has great advice and covers:

- · rental checklist
- renter's rights
- · cutting the power bill
- insulation in rentals
- heating your rental
- curtains in rentals
- · dampness and ventilation in rentals
- · dealing with mould
- · dealing with draughts
- · windows in rentals
- · healthy home assessment
- smoke alarms in rentals.

### Winston Churchill Memorial Trust - NZ Fellowships are open

Applications for the 2019 Winston Churchill Memorial Trust - NZ Fellowships are open! The Winston Churchill Fellowships were established in 1965 to help Kiwis travel overseas to learn from others and study topics that will advance their occupation, trade, industry, profession or community and benefit New Zealand.

To begin your application process, or for more information, click here.

# Ontario Superior Court Declares Political Activities Restrictions on Charities Unconstitutional

Imagine Canada, the national umbrella for Canada's charitable and nonprofit sector, has reacted to the Ontario Superior Court of Justice's ruling in the case Canada Without Poverty v. AG Canada.

In his ruling, Justice Morgan declared the sections of the Income Tax Act that restrict registered charities' political activities to be

unconstitutional. The ruling also expands the Income Tax Act's definition of charitable activities to include political activities. The prohibition on charities engaging in partisan activity was not in question, and remains in place.

### Upcoming tax changes that might affect your charity

As you are aware, there are some proposed changes in the June 2018 tax bill that will affect charities.

Tax policy officials drafted an article about the changes for the DIA Charities Services blog, which you may read <a href="here">here</a>.

#### **State Services Commission is hiring!**

Update 13 July 2018: Current Chief Executive vacancies:

- · Chief Executive, Ministry for Culture and Heritage
- · Chief Executive, Department of Corrections
- · Chief Executive, Ministry of Housing and Urban Development
- · Chief Executive, Ministry of Social Development
- Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade and Chief Executive, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade

http://www.ssc.govt.nz/careers

#### IN THE NEWS

Supportive housing in central Auckland

Shelter Gives Homeless Women a Safe Place to Sleep This Winter

<u>Auckland family trades relative's damp, cold basement for a home of their own</u>

Agreement to help Tauranga families into Homes

Queenstown's Secure Home scheme reaches new milestone

Innovative housing complex designed for Wellington

Dr O'Sullivan visits appalling homes of sick Kiwi kids

House prices \$300,000 above what NZers think affordable

Homelessness in Rotorua requires multi-pronged approach

#### **EVENTS**

Child Poverty Action Group AGM - 25 July - Auckland



CPAG would love their supporters and members to join them for their 2018 Annual General Meeting. This will be followed by a presentation by CPAG's guest speaker, Len Cook, former Families Commissioner and Government Statistician.

Date: 25 July

Time: AGM at 6:30pm Guest Speaker at 7:30pm

Where: Saint Columba Centre, 40 Vermont St, Ponsonby,

Auckland RSVP here

### Rethinking the Welfare System for the 21st Century - 12 September - Wellington



## Rethinking the Welfare System for the 21st Century

The purpose of the Summit - Rethinking the Welfare System for the 21st Century - is to impact the reform agenda by increasing awareness and knowledge, especially among policy makers, about the chronic problems and the developments that will improve the welfare system so that it works much better for families and children.

Date: 12 September 2018 Time: 8:30am - 4:45pm

Venue: Otago University, Nordmeyer Lecture Theatre, 23 Mein

St, Newtown, Wellington Cost: \$30 Unwaged, \$65 Waged

### Webinar – free to CHP members - 24 July 2018

Property Condition Measurement and Reporting - towards a national standard approach. Read more and register <a href="here">here</a>.

### **Universally Designed Homes - dispelling** the assumptions - 13 August



Register here.

### The 'More than a Landlord' Webinar - 25 July 2018



Learn about the Aspiration Plan model research partnership between Aboriginal Housing Victoria and First 1000 Days Australia.

Click  $\underline{\text{here}}$  to learn more and register for this **free for CHPs** webinar.

#### **Auckland Build - November 2018**









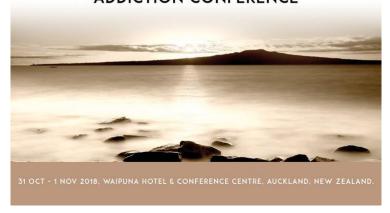
Auckland Build is back this November with four events in one. Are you attending?

The leading event for the construction and building management industry is on November 8-9 at the ASB Showgrounds with over 200 exhibitors. Read more and register <a href="here">here</a>.

#### Healthy Futures, 31 Oct - 1 Nov, Auckland



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Register for this event here.