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Venue: Orewa Service Centre
50 Centreway Road
Orewa

Rodney Local Board

OPEN MINUTE ITEM ATTACHMENTS

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MAHU-MAHI
RESPIRE CARE
ADULT
DAY SERVICE
desperately needed in
WARKWORTH/MAHURANGI Area

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We would like to ask for a letter of support from the Auckland City Council Rodney Local Board to assist us with finding a suitable venue and possibly funding to make this CARE project a reality.

Our aim is to provide a much needed service in our local community to assist in providing quality activities based affordable respite care day service for two groups of people:

Group 1: 65+ living at home with family support who may have early onset dementia, Parkinson's or have experienced Stroke, Arthritis or have limited mobility and/or other medical conditions which isolate them and their carers from community participation.

Group 2: 45 - 65 year age group living at home with family support same as above.

MAHU-MAHI

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Mahu = Incurable

Mahi = To work, to do, to perform, to make, to accomplish, to practice, to raise..... (sense of self worth).

Activities based Day Service one day a week for the two different age groups to give their family support carers a well earned break.



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MISSION STATEMENT

to provide a quality adult day service promoting well-being in a safe, supportive, cheerful environment by reducing isolation and loneliness for both the participant and their carers through the provision of holistic based recreational and leisure activities.

LOCAL AND NATIONAL DEMOGRAPHICS

In 2011 12% of the population 65+ years have dementia

In 2011 it was estimated there was 48,182 New Zealanders with Dementia an increase of 18% since 2008

By 2026 this number is estimated to increase to over 78,250.

Future planning by the Auckland City Council is directed to Warkworth having a projected population of 20,000+ within the next 3 decades.

The 2013 Census from Statistics NZ states: 26.3% of the population in Warkworth are aged 65+

compared with 11.5% of the total Auckland population. From these figures we estimate that there are possibly 165 people over 65 years with Dementia in the Warkworth/Mahurangi area.

What is DEMENTIA

A syndrome due to disease of the brain, usually of a *chronic or progressive nature*, in which there is *disturbance of multiple higher cortical functions*,

memory

thinking

orientation

comprehension

calculation

learning capacity

language

judgement

Holistic approach to DT Activities to produce Synergy through participation in a programme developed specifically to the individual's recreation and leisure activity needs.

Including but not limited to:

Art

Music

Sing-a-longs

Sunbathing

Gardening with pots and raised beds

Homecrafts – Knitting and sewing

Outings

Walks

Gentle Exercise programmes

Pets

Entertainers

Movies

Quizzes

Passive Participation

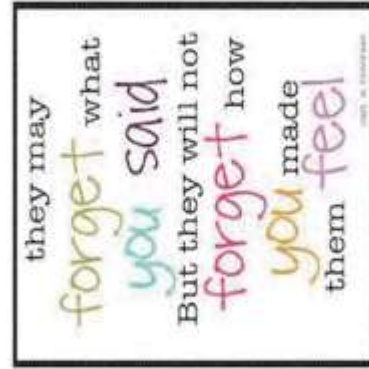
Socialisation

Drama

Poetry

What is Synergy?

Synergy = working together of two things to produce an effect greater than the sum of their individual efforts



Linda's Company - Warkworth Taxi and Minibus Charter - already has a contract with Auckland Transport (AT) to provide Total Mobility subsidised transport service.

We plan to incorporate this licensed service into our **Mahu-Mahi** Adult Day Service for pick up and drop off of participants to Mahu-Mahi by NZQA Trained drivers specifically for people with special needs.

Plus we aim to incorporate the transport service to assist with outings and transport to and from medical appointments.

Mahu-Mahi would like to thank you for allowing us to present this request to you today and to thank you for your consideration with our request.

Arohanui.

Sue Robertson and Linda Wall

Kawau Island Advisory Committee – Deposition to Local Board presented by Lin Pardey

Among the many unique aspects of Kawau, the one that brings me before you today is the Kawau Island Advisory Committee (KIAC)

The Kawau Island Advisory Committee was originally formed by an act of Parliament in the 1960s to reflect the particular needs of the population of a small Hauraki Gulf island that was geographically discrete and devoid of ordinary social planning infrastructure such as water supply, wastewater removal, roading, rubbish removal or community center. Parliament recognised that Kawau could not adequately be governed within the ordinary framework that would apply to mainland towns. KIAC was charged with maintaining ongoing consultation with the island population (not all of whom by any means were members of the Kawau Island Ratepayers Association) and by collating that information and providing policy and development advice in subsequent consultations with the territorial authority, which at that time was Rodney District Council.

At the time there were only two such organisations in the country (the other was in the South Island). The latter no longer exists so KIAC became the one and only in New Zealand. KIAC, as created by Parliament, is made up of 2-3 elected island representatives plus one Council representative, usually from the Local Board. The island representatives are elected every three years

Over the last few years, KIAC has been involved in a number of very important issues including: fighting massive rate increases proposed by Rodney District Council, helping to set up and implement the Kawau Island Vision, examining the method and practice of mooring allocations on the island and many numbers of other policy and practical issues. It has worked very closely with the Kawau Island Residents and Ratepayers Association (KIRRA) and communicates with virtually all Kawau property owners, and business owners on a regular basis.

Of more recent concern has been the uncertain continuance of KIAC under the new super city structure. After strong lobbying of the select committee overseeing the new city, we were fortunate to have the value of KIAC recognized by the committee and an undertaking from them that it will continue. The formalization of that undertaking is our current focus.

Kawau Island sits in the Hauraki Gulf about 8km from the mainland, accessed primarily through Sandspit. Kawau was subdivided in the early 20th Century with access to lots from the foreshore, with no road network (with a condition on titles that no land needed to be taken under the public works act for roads because all properties had foreshore access). With the exception of two short stretches of dirt road (at Schoolhouse Bay and South Cove) this situation remains and is a focusing element for much of Island activity. Kawau is now administered by the new Auckland Council, mediated through the agency of the Rodney Local Board.

The Island is diverse in its population and demographically quite unlike its other settled neighbours (Waiheke, Rakino and Great Barrier). It receives virtually no services from the Auckland Council. It is not a clamouring community, there is a high level of internal cohesion and Islanders take pride in their difference from mainland New Zealand.

Role of Advisory Committee

An advisory committee is a collection of individuals who bring unique knowledge and skills which augment the knowledge and skills of the formal Council or Board in order to more effectively guide the organisation. The advisory committee does not have formal authority to govern the organisation, that is, the advisory committee cannot issue directives which must be followed. Rather, the advisory committee serves to make recommendations and/or provide key information and materials to the Council Board members. The advisory committee plays an important public relations role as well as providing Auckland Council and the Local Board staff with a fresh perspective on programmatic issues. A properly composed and structured advisory committee can be a tremendous complement to the effectiveness of the Council Board committees as it works to carry out a specific initiative.

Since the council through the Local Board has ultimate governance authority for the organisation, the advisory committee is able to focus narrowly on a specific program in order to advise or support the organisation. The advisory committee may evaluate the performance of a program, review/monitor/assess a specific program, serve as advocate for the organization to the community it serves, gather input from/serve as a liaison with relevant constituencies, provide feedback to the organisation from the community, provide technical expertise, provide an independent/unbiased sounding board, and assist staff in determining important activities. Other possible responsibilities of an advisory committee include determining mission and purpose of a program, articulating the goals, means, and primary constituents to be served by a program, ensuring effective planning, monitoring and strengthening of programs and services, ensuring adequate financial resources, and enhancing the organisation's public standing.

Effective advisory committees have terms of service where members are appointed to a specific term and oftentimes there are also term limits. It is also important to ensure the advisory committee has a clear purpose and guidelines for membership. How the advisory group contributes knowledge/skills to the Council or Local Board should also be formalised as well as how it interacts with the council and Local Board members. Advisory committees benefit from having policies similar to those of a governing board of directors – for example: meeting attendance, decision-making, conflict of interest, and ethics policies. A written description of the role and responsibility of advisory committee members is also critical.

Advisory committees do not have any legal authority; therefore all of their responsibilities are assigned at the discretion of the Council or Local Board. Responsibilities assigned to an advisory committee may include any or all of the following:

1. Program Creation and Planning. It can be beneficial to create an advisory committee during the early stages of developing a program so that committee members can provide advice concerning the design and plans for the program. It is easiest to begin with a small advisory committee, for example, four to seven community leaders and community members, during the planning process.
2. Development of Program Policy. While advisory committees cannot create legally binding policies for the organisation, they can help create policies which provide direction and support for the program staff.
3. Planning and Implementing Public Relations. An advisory committee which includes influential community leaders can be effective at spreading the word about program services.
4. Funding Leadership. Often advisory committees are created specifically to raise program funds. The advisory committee must be granted this authority by the Council chief executive or the Chairperson of the Local Board. Individuals committed to the organisation with the influence to leverage resources will be most successful.
5. Subcommittees. The advisory committee may develop subcommittees which have assigned tasks in specific areas. For example, a public awareness subcommittee composed of four members may be responsible for making recommendations about public awareness strategies and resources. Subcommittees may be short-lived according to a specific assignment or ongoing.
6. Other Tasks. Advisory committees can be created to address a specific organisational need. These advisory committees are usually short-lived and are disbanded as soon as their specific goals are met.

What KIAC has currently been doing:

- First and foremost, KIAC represents all property owners on the islands, not just those who are members of KIRRA. It also represents the businesses on Kawau
- First point of contact between Auckland Council, Local Board, Auckland Transport,

1. Help promote local businesses – so far this year we have helped coordinate four TV programs about Kawau, Gemma TV Germany has already aired their ½ hour segment, Neighbourhood (TV1) filmed a program on Kawau which airs in May, Prime shot a one-hour program for their series Islands which airs in August. Off Center Harbor, an American on-line video site which very high paid viewership has already aired one of the Kawau segments and has three others planned.
2. Work with DOC to repair and improve relations with island residents. Act as a conduit between DOC and Island community. (Currently having meetings with District director of DOC Gulf Islands next week, Head of Community Relations tomorrow and Saturday.)
3. Go between – businesses and DOC, individuals and DOC. (Meetings scheduled for this week, District Director of DOC, Gulf Islands re future use of house, renewal of contract for café, opportunities for extending activities available at Mansion House reserve. Meeting with head of Community
4. Communicate with Auckland transport to resolve problems with parking – this is an ongoing concerns, not just the two years of meetings that lead to a fair charging regime for Kawau Islanders.
5. Currently working with Local Board, KIRRA, Sandspit Ratepayers Association, Ferry Companies and Café owners towards resolving safety issues and long needed upgrades at Sandspit Wharf
6. Contact person for problems with waste removal – Auckland Waste Management
7. Work with local harbourmaster to align new regulations under the AUP for moorings. Trying to find ways to resolve problems created by implementation of mooring zones.
8. Worked with council and community for three years spearheading the new Kawau Precinct plan for the AUP
9. Assists various landowners when disputes arise, explaining legal aspects of wharf access,
10. Keeps database of coastal resource consents to assist property owners (and Council Planners) in submitting applications
11. Keeps and updates a data base of all property owner contact details for emergencies

We look forward to working with the Local Board to remove any uncertainty about the future of KIAC. As mentioned before, the select committee overseeing the governing structure of the new city, recognized the value of KIAC and gave an undertaking that it would continue. I look forward to working with the Local board towards the formalization of that undertaking.