

Beach Haven and Birkdale Community Houses

July – September 2018 Summary

What activities/programmes have been started / run within this quarter?

New groups - Beach Haven

- Coffee and Catch up
- Hand Craft and Creations
- Man up relationship counselling class
- Top Childcare weekly playgroups

New Groups - Birkdale

- Sewing classes
- Birkdale Kauri Kids – Matariki Celebrations
- Narcissist Be Gone Course empowerment course
- Re generate kids market
- East Tamaki health care- 6 week support group meeting
- Embroidery group



New Groups that BBCP supports to use the hall

- Healthy mama healthy baby 6 week parenting course

What activities/programmes/events weren't successful within this quarter? Give an explanation why.

- Nil to report

Highlights for this quarter?

Sensory garden –



All of the hard landscaping has been completed and the official blessing with our local Kaumatua is planned for the 22nd of September followed by a community planting day. Enabling all community members to be involved in the planting and ongoing maintenance.



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Success in building belonging through volunteering

In June we meet Denise who was shy, suffered hand tremors (that are caused by medical treatment). Denise was seeking a place to be accepted and somewhere that she was not judged and could feeling belonging. We took Denise on in a volunteer role 2 x ½ days a week where over the weeks Denise grew in confidence and has become a valued member of our volunteering team. Denise then decided that she would like to help others feel more connected in the community and offered to start a coffee group. I worked with Denise on the attached poster, marketing plan and successfully this coffee group has been going for 8 weeks. People attending have been varied but each attendee has walked away taller with valuable support, information but most importantly a sense of belonging to their community. This is a great example of the importance of offering meaningful volunteering opportunities for our diverse communities.



During this quarter, did you have any issues, concerns, complications?

Still no heating at Birkdale House

Departure of our operations and marketing person who was contracted at 18 hours. He has been with BBCP for 6.5 years. Interviewing has started and new person will be appointed in the next week.

Did you have anything start, or new opportunities come up this quarter, not expected on the work plan?

Below the line activities not funded by Council

Community eats turns 1. The community eats food bank turned one and we had 42 people for a meal that was completely made by donated food all prepared by volunteers.

