

Introduction

This has been an incredibly busy quarter, particularly in relation to the set up work of the Aotea learning Hub. Work in developing and socializing the Draft Aotea Local Board Plan has also consumed significant time other the best few months.

Achievements/Progressions

- MoE signs off the MoU for the Aotea Learning hub
- Recruitment of the Coordinators (My role was to develop the majority of the documentation)
- Development of a draft governance document for the Hub and development of a range of documents and policy to support establishment
- Currently working with Orama to become the Learning Hub's umbrella group
- Continue to maintain a relationship with team working on boarding allowance increase. Team have now completed recommendations and are working on investment mapping
- Working with te Kura to smooth out policy and procedure with on island students
- Set up meeting on Information Centre/ Isite. Continuing to progress follow up actions
- Set up meeting on premium Packages with Lynne Butler and for accommodation providers and service providers
- Attended Dark Sky meeting and working with Izzy on the launch (hopefully)
- Continued to work on Lifelong Learning strategy- Close to completion
- Continued to work with Ben and user group re the Shoal Bay development
- Set up monthly meetings with Ben Hillier and developing improved understanding of progress of infrastructure projects on island
- Facilitated a number of on and off island meetings to encourage feedback on local board plan
- Supported Kathy shape up EduCare and Skills register initiatives
- Working with Hub to set up an on island Careers day in the next school holidays. Have organised for MoE and 6 ITO's to attend event

I am hopeful that once we have got the learning hub a little more established I will be able to accord more time to focus on my other portfolios, in particular infrastructure. I'm looking forward to hopefully to us hopefully becoming a Dark Sky Sanctuary.

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