

1st Quarterly Summary

What activities have been completed within this quarter?

- ❖ 2nd Sign language course as part of our Community Workshops program – fully booked
- ❖ Highbury House 40th Anniversary on the 28th September
- ❖ High Tea at the House 24th Sept – free community event for the older people which is fully booked with 32 attendees and a significant waiting list.
- ❖ AGM 19th Sept
- ❖ Presentation to the local board
- ❖ Creation of school holiday activities for children – the July holidays were fully booked with good feedback on the timing and the activities. As such we have added more activities for the next school holidays.
- ❖ Established a book club with the assistance of Birkenhead Library – this too has a waiting list

What activities weren't completed within this quarter? Give an explanation why

Website update - cost prohibitive, we have looked at cheaper/free alternatives, but these options involve more time and admin commitment which we don't have at the moment.

Highlights for this quarter?

- ❖ We have supported a local community member to grow his pasta making classes, they have been a big success for both the attendees and the host.
- ❖ Community conversations and connections with other organisations. Some resulting in collaborations for community activities
- ❖ Our statistics are showing growth across visitors, bookings and revenue

Any issues, concerns or solutions to raise


Our only significant storage area (a garden shed) is no longer fit for purpose, it is leaking, and our damaging items stored there including documentation. The council have no record of installation nor of the shed being on their asset register, we have documentation (in a managers report) of the shed being placed on site to respond to the lack of storage once the garage at the front of the building was removed 10 years ago. Margot Mirbach has been working with me to uncover the details. The end result is there is no council record and no council monies available to help us. This is huge issue for us, because we considered it a council asset and as such no allocation was made for replacement/repairs. Council is also aware that storage internal and external have been an issue for us for many years now – we are seeking a solution that works for both parties but unsure whom to speak with. We have a damaged tree on the property, I have raised this with Property services as a concern and will discuss with them when they are on site next.

Did you have anything start this quarter, not expected on the workplan?

Nil

Below the line activities not funded by Council

Community workshop program
40th Anniversary celebrations



HIGHBURY HOUSE IS 40!
SHARE THE MEMORIES AND CELEBRATE WITH US
September 28th, 2019 • Saturday 3-5pm
110 Hinemoa St, Birkenhead

**AFTERNOON TEA AND DRINKS
ACTIVITIES FOR THE CHILDREN**

Tracy Smith
Event Manager



High tea at the House
In recognition of International Day
Of The Older Person
24.09.2019
10-11.30am | Highbury Community House
110 Hinemoa St Birkenhead

RSVP by 10th September
admin@highburyhouse.org.nz or
480 5279



UGLY ON PURPOSE
Hand sewing and mending lessons,
multiple techniques and practices.

7.30-9pm
Thursday 8th/15th and 22nd August
110 Hinemoa St, Birkenhead
Kōwhiri



Sign Language
New Workshop Coming in Term 3

The course will cover basic sign language, useful daily signs & much more from a trained teacher.
A 5 week workshop from the 22nd of May - 19th June
7.30-8.30pm.

Highbury Community House
110 Hinemoa Street
Birkenhead

To book
please phone 4805279
or email us at
admin@highburyhouse.org.nz

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Brings you*

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PASTA WITH
LOVE**

Join us for
COSTIMO MAZZA


Spend the morning with **COSIMO** learning
how to make authentic, fresh Italian pasta
in many styles to take home.

Homemade Italian baking & fresh coffee
will be provided including a gift pack with a
"how to make pasta fresh step by step"
recipe.

**SUNDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER
10:00 - 12:30 PM**

**COST IS \$17
THIS INCLUDES APRON
& ALL INGREDIENTS**

TO BOOK:
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**Auckland Council
Libraries**
Te Kaitiaki Take Kōwhiri o Tāmaki Makaurau

HIGHBURY BOOK CLUB
In partnership with Birkenhead Library we bring the return of the
Highbury Book Club. Join us in a relaxed environment for an evening of
discussing your favourite book & discovering new ones.

Starting Tuesday August, 7:30-9pm
Gold coin donation, Tea & Coffee available
Booking is essential, please phone or email us

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Birkenhead
Call 480 5279 or
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HIGHBURY COMMUNITY HOUSE

**HOLIDAY
ACTIVITIES**

**TUESDAY
1ST OCTOBER** 10am-12pm
Childrens Art
Programme

**WEDNESDAY
2ND OCTOBER** 9:30 - 11:30am
Make Your Own
Monster

**THURSDAY
3RD OCTOBER** 10am-12pm
Upcycled Flowers
1-4pm
Journal Making

**TUESDAY
8TH OCTOBER** 1-4pm
Miniature Fashion

**WEDNESDAY
9TH OCTOBER** 9:30 - 11:30am
Make Your Own
Monster

**THURSDAY
10TH OCTOBER** 10am-12pm
Upcycled Origami
1-4pm
The Mini Travelling
Sewing Box

Deputation to Kaipatiki Local Board August 19

You will see from the statistics presented that we have an overall increase in our statistics on last year.

The hours booked have increased by 6%, our visits have increased by nearly 19%

We have worked hard to create a good revenue stream for the community house, this has increased by 21%. However, we are very conscience of striking a good balance between a commercial enterprise and having space for the community at low or no cost.

We have over 30 regular groups or hirers, and many more on a casual basis. In the last 6 months Highbury House has supported at least 10 groups or classes and the house, either with no or low-cost room bookings and free marketing and advertising.

Our governance board has completed robust work on our Strategic objectives, and we have a Key strategic plan in place for 2019/2020. Our focus for the community house is;

- Well run, sustainable and flourishing organisation
- People are well supported by our connections to other organisations and communities
- Isolated people enjoy our welcoming place for them to connect
- People's wellbeing and confidence is enhanced through the house, the connection and activities
- We offer a range of activities and events that enable people to have meaningful connections

Highbury Sewcial has been created off the back of Boomerang Bags – thank you to Jill and Tracey for bringing the program to HH. What we found was that people are wanting to learn to sew or increase their knowledge, they may also have projects to start or complete. Our wonderful volunteers have happily accommodated the slight change and are supportive teachers as well as creative makers of the Boomerang Bags. Our bags are being utilise with our book library and our community pantry.

We have been kindly donated 5 sewing machines so we have been working on different groups and options of classes to make good use of the donations, which resulted in the groups Ugly on Purpose and Sewing 101.

We have connected with a group can Re Creators from West Auckland and together are offering predominately children’s creative upcycling workshops with the addition shortly of adult classes. Our ethos on recycling/upcycling and repairing are strongly linked to Re Creators so we think it is a great fit for our community.

Community Workshops have been a wonderful program that we initiated about 12 months ago and we have had fantastic feedback from. In the last few months we have provided three, one off workshops on money and two, five-week courses, an introduction to sign language. In the remainder of 2019, we have planned a workshop for teens on self-compassion and mindfulness and I am working to bring a Netsafe presentation to the community.

Working within our limitations of space, funds and staff we have been looking at community partnerships as an option for supporting the community.

Ongoing conversations with the Birkenhead Residents Assoc regarding support and collaboration

I reached out to the Birkenhead Library to support us with a book club, Paul will be facilitating this for us, it is fully booked, and we are taking expressions of interest for additional groups

North Art, we are often asked for art classes but these always work out to be too expensive for the community so we are working with North Art for classes that can be offered at a lower cost.

Kaipatiki Project, I am working on a project to connect our community and families to Le Roys bush.

Bike Kaipatiki are helping with a report for funding for bike racks for the community.

Beyond the Fence, we have a wonderful working relationship with this group and Linda Tisch.

Upcoming we have a few events and our AGM. As mentioned, we will continue to provide community workshops.







Our ELC has just been granted consent for the extension. Adele Hall the centre manager will progress with building quotes and seek funding with the hope of work beginning over the Christmas period during our annual shutdown.



Highbury House
Birkenhead's Community House

Presentation to
Kaipatiki Local Board
August 2019

Round up for the year

	2017/18	2018/19	Increase
 Hours	2953	3133	6.09%
 Visits	7564	8989	18.83%
 Self generated income			21.2%
 Regular groups/hirers			30+
 HH supported groups/classes			10

Strategic objectives

1. We are a well-run, sustainable and flourishing organisation
2. People are well supported by our connections to other organisations and communities
3. We offer a range of activities and events that enable people to have meaningful connections
4. We collect the evidence to inform our future activities and priorities
5. We deliver a high quality and highly effective Early Learning Service
6. We have a refurbished, fit for purpose ELC by February 2020

New classes and groups

Highbury House

- ▶ Highbury Sewcial
- ▶ Backgammon
- ▶ Ugly on Purpose
- ▶ Sewing 101
- ▶ Handmade Pasta with Love

HH lead partnerships

- ▶ Re Creators
- ▶ Jeffrey Kirby
- ▶ Highbury Book Club
- ▶ Boomerang Bags

Highbury House Community Workshops

Money Matters

- ▶ Preparing for the future - Kiwi Saver
- ▶ Avoiding scams and staying safe online
- ▶ Protecting what's important/saving and investing

Introduction to Sign Language

- ▶ 5-week course, terms 2 and 3

Community Collaborations

- ▶ Birkenhead Residents Association
- ▶ Birkenhead Library
- ▶ North Art
- ▶ Kaipatiki Project
- ▶ Bike Kaipatiki
- ▶ Beyond the Fence

Coming up in 2019



92 - 142 HINEMOA STREET, BIRKENHEAD

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOURS & EXPLORE BIRKENHEAD POINT

Family Fun Area Santa Market Stalls
Great Food Excellent Coffee Music
Face-painting



- ▶ High tea at the House
- ▶ 40th Celebration
- ▶ Street Party
- ▶ Community Workshops
- ▶ Progress on the ELC renovation