

## Minutes of BOP and Lakes Healthy Housing Forum

11:00-1:00pm, 27 February 2018

Held at Toi Te Ora Public Health, Rotorua

**Present:** Darren Toy Housing New Zealand, Roimata Timutimu Bay of Plenty District Health Board Planning and Funding, Dominique Lepa MSD, Alastair Rhodes, Bay Trust, Jodi Rickard Western Bay of Plenty District Council, Bill Hewitt EECE (retiring but new person to take his place in future), Philip King, Tauranga City Council, Lorreen Hartley Whakatane District Council, Lauren James Lakes DHB, James Scarfe Toi Te Ora Public Health, Hana Edwardson, KDC

**Apologies:** Liane Gardiner TPK, Jo Smith CoBOP and Jim Miller TTO  
Meeting opened by James and introductions made.

### Notes from last meeting – 31/05/2017 and progress on the actions

[https://www.ttophs.govt.nz/healthy\\_homes\\_housing\\_forum](https://www.ttophs.govt.nz/healthy_homes_housing_forum)

- 1.1 Overview given of workshop team delivering empowering communities workshop.
- 1.2 Still need to follow up from previous minutes to follow up with Bill- Volunteering target rates for heating accessibility should be in next week for long term plan (goes beyond hot swap) opens the whole BOP area up.
  - 1.2.1 Was it going up through the CoBOP- James will follow up with Jo. Maryann from Regional Council is who Bill has been working with on the hot swap project. Bill will include Healthy Housing Forum minutes to support this submission.

### Agenda Items

#### 2. News

Housing NZ stocktake done.

Possible opportunity this Friday in Rotorua, the Minister of Housing and Urban Development is here, launching a regional housing programme. Healthy Housing Forum to request a meeting with him. Would like to share with the Minister:

- Show community workshop results. Highlight the partnerships that are involved that will support the government's priorities.
- Making the link of healthy housing, advocate for this. Also look at rural housing. Need good mix of representatives there if Minister agrees. What are the themes we want to sell (1 or 2 themes).
- Bottom up approach from community came out of workshop. Economic and social outcomes at the same time from this community approach. Paint a picture, give why then ask for the what for this region.
- Eligibility into programmes acting as a barrier.
- We have evidence base from housing assessment and pilot projects.

#### 3. Results of the empowering communities workshop :

1. Funding: volunteer rates, pool of funding for aspects of support  
We have evidence base from housing assessment.

2. Landlord s: how to engage landlords– idea of licensing scheme for landlords came from property investors that were there.

Government is addressing some of this through:

- Healthy homes guarantee
  - Residential tendency act
3. Central website or hub
  4. Creating ripple affect
  5. Community employment programme through healthy homes programme- training while participating in healthy homes programme.
  6. Elevating fuel poverty- how to work with power companies.
    - 1 July extra money for beneficiaries for power being rolled out
    - Australia solar power initiative good example
  7. Making eligibility more open and affordable
  8. Improve skills to community to maintain own homes and financial literacy support
  9. Community based skills directly- making people aware on who can do what

#### **4. Government leading process of healthy homes standards, option for forum to submit on standards to support t individual organisations.**

Do we want to participate in this as forum? **Yes**

If so how will we do it quickly? (first week in march with Minister so probably submissions asked for at end of march).

James writes it and gets the group to review it. James to send out bullet points draft and ask team if anything is missing. James to write it up. *Focused on what the standards should be, and are they the best to support healthy housing. Looking at health perspective not compliance perspective.*

James to look into weather CoBOP or Healthy Housing should the submission be put under.

RTA is also being reviewed- 19 March will be discussing with colleagues.

#### **5. Going forward: we need (something tangible within 300 days)**

We can package most of this together.

1. Assisting iwi/community driven- with what they want (examples: Murupara)
2. Healthy housing
3. Regional development

Need dedicated resources to scope initiative, Jo from COBALT leadership group said there is seed funding about \$5,000 to further develop some of these idea(s).

#### **6. Actions going forward:**

- a) Feedback to CoBOP leadership group: what we want and how much it will cost. Workshop group to scope this, 1 or 2 pages on how to progress this work and how much it will cost.
  - Next leadership meeting is in June.
  - Get one pager to them before June.

- If we get the money, where will it sit? James to talk to TTO and get back to group next meeting.
  
- b) Darren to find out if he can get housing stock information for region that could be used to GIS and HEAT mapping.
  
- c) If we get the go ahead to meet Minister Healthy Housing Forum to use email trail to make sure all the influence people are briefed and speaking from the same page.

Meeting Closed by James at 1:00pm

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