



NOTICE OF MEETING

**Notice is hereby given of the Meeting of the
Community Services Committee
to be held in the Council Chamber,
First Floor, Civic Administration Building,
101 Esk Street, Invercargill on
Tuesday 23 October 2018 at 4.00 pm**

His Worship the Mayor Mr T R Shadbolt JP
Cr R L Abbott (Chair)
Cr A J Arnold (Deputy Chair)
Cr T M Biddle
Cr I L Esler
Cr G D Lewis
Cr L F Soper
Cr Rowly Currie (Environment Southland) (Total
Mobility and Passenger Transport)

EIRWEN HARRIS MITCHELL
MANAGER, SECRETARIAL SERVICES

Council's Values:

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| Responsibility | Take ownership of decisions and outcomes, both collectively and individually. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We willingly share our knowledge.• We acknowledge our mistakes, work to resolve them and learn from them.• We give and receive feedback in a constructive manner to resolve issues.• We do our job with total commitment. |
| Respect | Everyone is important, as are their views. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We support and care for each other.• We stop to listen, learn and understand.• We communicate in an honest, up-front and considerate manner.• We maintain confidences and avoid hurtful gossip. |
| Positivity | Always look on the bright side of life. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We are approachable, interested and friendly.• We are open and receptive to change.• We acknowledge and praise the efforts of others.• We work together as a team to get the job done. |
| Above and Beyond | Take opportunities to go the extra mile. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We take the initiative to improve our work practices to get the best results.• We challenge ourselves and each other to make it better.• We take pride in providing the best possible outcomes.• We are ambassadors for our Council at all times. |

Council's Vision for the City:

Enhance our City and preserve its character, while embracing innovation and change.

Council's Vision:

We are an energised, fun and innovative team that makes it better for each other and our community.

Council's Mission:

Making it better by making it happen.

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**INVERCARGILL CITY COUNCIL ELECTED MEMBERS
INTEREST REGISTER**

ELECTED MEMBERS			
NAME	ENTITY	INTERESTS	PROPERTY
RONALD LINDSAY ABBOTT	Invercargill City Council Kiwi-Pie Radio 88FM Invercargill Invercargill Art Gallery Invercargill Venues and Events Management	Councillor Director / Broadcaster Council Representative / Board Member Director	
REBECCA RAE AMUNDSEN	Invercargill City Council Arch Draught Ltd BP Orr Ltd Task Ltd Arts Murihiku Dan Davin Literary Foundation Heritage South Glengarry Community Action Group SMAG Board Venture Southland Southland Regional Heritage Committee	Councillor Director Director Director Trustee Trustee/Chair Contractor Events Co-ordinator (Volunteer) Council Representative Council Representative Council Representative	

**INVERCARGILL CITY COUNCIL ELECTED MEMBERS
INTEREST REGISTER**

ALLAN JAMES ARNOLD	Invercargill City Council Ziff's Café Bar Ltd Buster Crabb Ltd Ziff's Tour Ltd Ziff's HR Ltd Ziff's Trust NZMCA Southland Aero Club Invercargill Club Invercargill East Rotary	Councillor Executive Director Executive Director Executive Director Executive Director Trustee Administrator Member Member Member Member	
KAREN FRANCES ARNOLD	Invercargill City Council Electricity Invercargill Ltd Powernet Ltd Pylon Ltd Invercargill Creative Communities Funding Scheme Southland Warm Homes Trust	Councillor Director Director Director Trustee/Chair Trustee	
TONI MARIE BIDDLE	Invercargill City Council Invercargill Venue and Events Management Limited Southland Museum and Art Gallery Trust Board	Councillor Director Trustee	

INVERCARGILL CITY COUNCIL ELECTED MEMBERS INTEREST REGISTER
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	McIntyre and Dick	Partner – Executive Team	
ALEX HOLLY CRACKETT	Invercargill City Council Ride Southland Southland Youth Futures Advisory Board Venture Southland and Sub Committee	Councillor Chair Chair Council Representative	High Street Invercargill
IRWIN LLOYD ESLER	Invercargill City Council	Councillor	
GRAHAM DAVID LEWIS	Invercargill City Council Invercargill City Holdings Limited	Councillor Director	
DARREN JAMES LUDLOW	Invercargill City Council Radio Southland Invercargill City Holdings Limited Invercargill Venue and Events Management Southland Museum and Art Gallery Trust Board Healthy Families Invercargill Murihiku Maori Wardens Southland Community Law Centre	Councillor Manager Director Director / Chairman Trustee Board Member Board Member	770 Queens Drive Invercargill

Community Services Agenda - INTEREST REGISTER

**INVERCARGILL CITY COUNCIL ELECTED MEMBERS
INTEREST REGISTER**

		Board Member	
IAN REAY POTTINGER	Invercargill City Council Southland Electronics Limited Santa Parade Organiser	Councillor Director Alice Pottinger (Wife)	171 Terrace Street Invercargill 9810
TIMOTHY RICHARD SHADBOLT	Invercargill City Council Invercargill Airport Limited Kiwi Speakers Limited Sit Ambassador	Mayor Director Director Contractor	
LESLEY FRANCES SOPER	Invercargill City Council Breathing Space Southland Trust (Emergency Housing) Omaui Tracks Trust National Council of Women (NCW) Active Communities Invercargill Public Art Gallery Citizens Advice Bureau Southland ACC Advocacy Trust	Councillor Chair Secretary/Treasurer Member Chair/Trustee Board Member Board Member Employee	137 Morton Street Strathern Invercargill 24 Margaret Street Richmond Invercargill
LINDSAY STEWART THOMAS	Invercargill City Council Invercargill City Holdings Limited Invercargill City Property Limited HWCP Management Limited	Councillor Director Director Director	

**INVERCARGILL CITY COUNCIL ELECTED MEMBERS
INTEREST REGISTER**

EXECUTIVE STAFF			
NAME	ENTITY	INTERESTS	PROPERTY
PAMELA GARE	Invercargill City Council	Director of Environmental and Planning Services	
CLARE HADLEY	Invercargill City Council	Chief Executive	
CAMERON MCINTOSH	Invercargill City Council	Director of Works and Services	
RACHEL REECE	Invercargill City Council Reece Property Limited	HR Manager Sole Director	
DAVID FOSTER	Invercargill City Council	Acting Director of Finance and Corporate Services Executive Director Foster and Associates Ltd	

TO: COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE
FROM: MARY NAPPER - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MANAGER
MEETING DATE: TUESDAY 23 OCTOBER 2018

COMMUNITY INITIATIVES REPORT

SUMMARY

Representatives from Number 10 - Southland Youth One Stop Shop and Community Colleges New Zealand - Youth Services will be present to speak about the wide range of services provided for youth by their organisations in Invercargill.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the report be received.

IMPLICATIONS

1.	<i>Has this been provided for in the Long Term Plan/Annual Plan?</i> N/A.
2.	<i>Is a budget amendment required?</i> N/A.
3.	<i>Is this matter significant in terms of Council's Policy on Significance?</i> N/A.
4.	<i>Implications in terms of other Council Strategic Documents or Council Policy?</i> N/A.
5.	<i>Have the views of affected or interested persons been obtained and is any further public consultation required?</i> N/A.
6.	<i>Have the Child, Youth and Family Friendly Policy be considered?</i> Yes.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

N/A.

SOUTHLAND YOUTH ONE STOP SHOP - NUMBER 10

Number 10 is Southland's Youth One Stop Shop, one of 11 Youth One Stop Shops in Aotearoa. Number 10 opened in June 2008 to respond to the needs of the young people of Southland. Their mission is to empower the health and wellbeing of young people in a safe, youth-friendly environment. The wrap-around model of care, informed by the Te Whare Tapa Wha health model, includes:

- Health Services: Doctor and nurse appointments, health education and support, referrals.
- Social Services: Mentoring, group programmes, youth activities and events and referrals.

Over 1,300 young people aged 10-24 years access Number 10 services each year. Candace Bangura, Director at Number 10, will present on the services provided.

COMMUNITY COLLEGES NEW ZEALAND – YOUTH SERVICES

Community College Southland has been operating for over 22 years. The Youth Service has been operating in Invercargill for 11 years, five years under the banner of "Working it Out" and six years as Youth Service.

Trevor Noble, Manager Youth Service and Southland Community College, and Christine Eckhold, Youth Service Youth Adviser/Staff Mentor and Team Leader will present on the services provided for young people in the city.

CHILD YOUTH AND FAMILY FRIENDLY SUBCOMMITTEE

The minutes of the Child Youth and Family Friendly Sub-Committee meeting held on 8 October 2018 are attached (*refer to Appendix 1*).

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CHILD, YOUTH AND FAMILY FRIENDLY SUB-COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, FIRST FLOOR, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 101 ESK STREET, INVERCARGILL ON MONDAY 8 OCTOBER 2018 AT 4.00 PM

PRESENT: Cr D Ludlow
R Amundsen
R Thwaites
V Hughey

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms M Napper – Community Development Manager
Ms G Crawford – Community Development Officer
Ms L Kuresa – Governance Officer

1. **APOLOGIES**

A McSoriley, A Knowles, Cr Crackett, P Ereckson, B McDermott (V Hughey attended in his place) and G Pope.

Moved Cr Amundsen, seconded R Thwaites and **RESOLVED** that the apologies be accepted.

2. **INTRODUCTION**

Cr Ludlow welcomed members to the meeting.

3. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 30 JULY 2018**

Moved Cr Ludlow, seconded R Amundsen and **RESOLVED** that the minutes be accepted as a true and correct record.

4. **MATTERS ARISING**

4.1 **CBD Redevelopment Submission**

Submission circulated.

It was agreed that this item would be deferred until 2019.

5. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

The report had been circulated. M Napper and G Crawford took the meeting through the report.

5.1 **Brand Update**

G Crawford informed the meeting that she was following up with various events.

Cr Ludlow asked for an update on South Alive and G Crawford explained that individual events had been branded. She had given South Alive the opportunity to brand as a whole.

M Napper said she was doing a lot of work with South Alive at the moment. The Trolley Derby project included the distribution of lollies and this has been discussed with South Alive. They have acknowledged that some are not happy about this but the group planning that event believed that they should be offering lollies, as a treat to the children.

The Committee discussed this matter further and agreed that Healthy Families could speak to the group about other alternatives at low cost that could be used instead of lollies.

5.2 **Letters of Support**

The Committee discussed this item and agreed that it would be easier for the Committee to vote via email when it's an urgent matter such as this, where the letter of support was to assist with a funding application for the Splash Palace hydroslide.

V Hughey liked the idea of voting via email because it retained that timeliness around letters of support, which was critical for funding.

5.3 **Trail Developments**

M Napper spoke to the report on this matter. The Chorus Cabinet Trail has been very successful and the Healthy Families Team have suggested a trail that identified the playgrounds that have play equipment. This is being progressed.

V Hughey reported that Sport Southland had received some great feedback from people saying that trails are a great activity for families at no cost. It was a great way to see the city and do something different.

5.4 **Child Rich Communities**

G Crawford spoke to this item and said that there were three webinars that were valuable family based webinars. She could send a link of the webinars to members who wanted to view them.

Moved Cr Ludlow, seconded V Hughey and **RESOLVED** that the report be received.

6. **URGENT BUSINESS**

Nil.

7. **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled to be held 12 November 2018.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 4.40 pm.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, FIRST FLOOR, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 101 ESK STREET, INVERCARGILL ON MONDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2018 AT 4.00 PM

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor Mr T R Shadbolt
Cr A J Arnold (Deputy Chair)
Cr T M Biddle
Cr I L Esler
Cr G D Lewis
Cr R Currie – Environment Southland

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr C McIntosh – Director of Works and Services
Mr S Ridden – Manager Corporate Services
Ms M Napper – Community Development Manager
Ms L Kuresa – Committee Secretary

1. **APOLOGIES**

Cr R L Abbott, Cr L F Soper and His Worship the Mayor Mr T R Shadbolt for lateness.

Moved Cr Esler, seconded Cr Biddle and **RESOLVED** that the apologies be accepted.

2. **PUBLIC FORUM**

Nil.

3. **INTEREST REGISTER**

There were no changes to the Interest Register.

4. **COMMUNITY INITIATIVES REPORT**

The report had been circulated.

4.1 **Murihiku Maori and Pasifika and Cultural Trust**

Pauline Smith, Director of the Murihiku Maori and Pasifika Cultural Trust and Tania Carran, Programme Development Manager were in attendance to speak to this item. A copy of the Murihiku Maori and Pasifika Cultural Trust 2017 Annual Report had also been circulated for information.

Mrs Smith and Ms Carran took the meeting through a PowerPoint Presentation. Mrs Smith explained the Polyfest was a popular event and well supported by the community. The Trust also ran a range of programmes and services throughout the year that supported the community by helping people to be culturally responsive.

The impact and reach had grown throughout the years and the numbers spoke for themselves. When comparing Southland's Polyfest to Auckland's Polyfest, Southland engaged the same proportion of the community. They were proud that the Facebook live stream this year reached over 200,000 viewers in the week of Polyfest. The Trust also collaborated closely with a lot of organisations, both locally, nationally and internationally. During the week of Polyfest you would be hard pressed to find a Marae to stay at because the travelling groups from Central and South Otago made a package where people came and stayed and then looked at other attractions in the community. Spotlight advised that they were having trouble keeping up with material sales for uniforms for the Polyfest event as new uniforms were made every year, which showed a sense of pride by all schools performing. They had sourced all services locally, from photographers to printers. The Trust was committed to giving back to the community. Some of the social benefits were around children being able to perform on stage at a young age. That showed the inter-generational benefits of Polyfest and other events too and the fact that little people loved it when whanau came to watch them perform. Mrs Smith thanked the Committee for the opportunity to be able to share information about their organisation today.

In response to a question by Cr Esler, as to whether everything was on track for next year's Polyfest, Mrs Smith said that they were very excited for next year as it would be Polyfest's 10th Anniversary. The theme for next year was Masters in their Crafts and they were looking at bringing people who were masters in their own crafts to spend time working with young people and adults. They had released the colour for next year as there was colour theme each year. Everything was looking positive.

Cr Esler congratulated the Trust for the organisation and hard work in another successful Polyfest event.

Note: His Worship the Mayor joined the meeting at 4.11 pm.

In response to a question by Cr Biddle, as to whether the Council could contribute anything to the Trust in the future, Mrs Smith said it was more about macro level stuff but anything around support for governance training would be appreciated. Also support around business development that would assist in building the organisation.

Ms Carran said that any opportunity to support the youth in the community would be beneficial. The Trust did a mentoring programme this year where high school students went along to be mentored by the key leaders, so eventually things like Polyfest would be run for youth by youth.

Cr Biddle said there was a Youth Council 'Unders and Overs' groups. It was important to nurture Maori and Pasifika people to look at that for the future.

Ms Napper said that the Youth Council was currently calling for membership for 2019. Application forms were available on Council's website and in addition each high school nominated two representatives. She was not sure if Mrs Smith had any involvement with the Kura but the Trust may want to approach Mr Davies to put in a couple of nominations from the Kura. It was from 12-24 year olds and the Youth Council met every second Wednesday at 4.00 pm here at the Council.

Cr Lewis said he was impressed with the organisation and the work it carried out. He endorsed his admiration to the organisation and wondered how many volunteer hours was involved in this organisation. Mrs Smith said she did not have that information but there were a lot of personal contributions to the event each year.

Cr A Arnold thanked Mrs Smith and Ms Carran for taking the time to present to the Committee.

4.2 **Nga Kete Matauranga Poumanu Charitable Trust**

Tracey Wright-Tawha, Chief Executive of Nga Kete Matauranga Poumanu Charitable Trust was in attendance to speak to this item. A copy of their presentation was tabled and Mrs Wright-Tawha took the meeting through it.

Cr Esler said that he had spoken to people who had dealings with the Trust in all sorts of ways. It was wonderful to see the positive effect it had on so many people.

In response to a question by Cr Biddle, as to how many doctors there were working at the clinic, Mrs Wright-Tawha said they had five doctors now. There were three working full-time hours and the rest part-time. They were trying to promote nurse practitioner work as well. In New Zealand there were about 20 qualified nurse practitioners, who worked on the same level as GPs.

In response to a question by Cr Biddle, as to whether the Trust was surprised at the amount of uptake for that project, Mrs Wright-Tawha said she thought she knew the community well but she was overwhelmed by the impact of poverty and very low income of the people whom she had not seen before who were going through their doors. Prior to working at the Trust, she was working at Work and Income. From an inter-generational point of view, some families did keep coming up who she knew well but she was interested at the very low cost access to the GP, where under 13 years were free, 14-17 years was \$12.00 and over 18 years was \$18.00.

In response to a question by Cr Biddle as to whether housing was an impact to health issues, Mrs Wright-Tawha confirmed that it was. Damp, cold and mouldy houses were an issue leading to cardiovascular, diabetes and respiratory illnesses. In the social work field, they received more than two to four requests per week for people needing housing.

Cr A Arnold thanked Mrs Wright-Tawha for taking the time to present to the Committee.

4.3 **Child, Youth and Family Friendly Sub-Committee**

Moved Cr Biddle, seconded Cr Lewis and **RESOLVED** that the report be received.

5. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13 AUGUST 2018**

Moved Cr Lewis, seconded Cr Biddle and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Committee meeting be approved.

5. **MONITORING OF SERVICE PERFORMANCE**

The report had been circulated.

5.1 **Levels of Service**

5.1.1 ***Community Development***

5.1.2 ***Libraries and Archives***

5.1.3 ***Pools***

5.1.4 ***Housing Care Service***

5.1.5 ***Bus and Transport***

In response to a question by Cr Biddle, as to when the Library upgrades would be completed, Mrs Foster said that the project was on schedule and it would be completed at the end of December.

Cr Esler congratulated Library staff for adapting to a workplace that was still open and under construction at the same time.

Moved Cr Biddle, seconded Cr Esler and **RESOLVED** that the report be received.

6. **URGENT BUSINESS**

Nil.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 4.34 pm.

TO: COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

FROM: MARY NAPPER, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

MEETING DATE: TUESDAY 23 OCTOBER 2018

YOUTH FOCUSED PROGRAMMES REVIEW
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SUMMARY

<p>The Mayors Taskforce for Jobs (MTFJ) is one of several programmes available in our community that aim to assist our youth into employment. This report provides an overview of the available schemes. The annual subscription to MTFJ is due and Council approval is sought for continuing Invercargill City Council (ICC) involvement.</p>
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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the report be received

AND

That it be recommended to Council that membership of the Mayors Taskforce for Jobs be maintained for one year.

IMPLICATIONS

1.	<i>Has this been provided for in the Long Term Plan/Annual Plan?</i> No.
2.	<i>Is a budget amendment required?</i> Uncertain.
3.	<i>Is this matter significant in terms of Council's Policy on Significance?</i> No.
4.	<i>Implications in terms of other Council Strategic Documents or Council Policy?</i> The Council does not have a youth policy. This was absorbed into the Child Youth and Family Friendly Policy.
5.	<i>Have the views of affected or interested persons been obtained and is any further public consultation required?</i> The community agencies listed have been consulted.
6.	<i>Has the Child, Youth and Family Friendly Policy been considered?</i> Yes.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The annual subscription to MTFJ is \$4,647.84.

BACKGROUND

In February 2000, a group of seven mayors, including Mayor Tim Shadbolt, gathered in Christchurch to establish the Mayors Taskforce for Jobs (MTFJ).

The year 2000 was pivotal as it represented the deadline set by the 1994 Prime Ministerial Taskforce on Employment which stated that no New Zealander would be out of work or training for longer than six months. At the turn of the millennium there were 200,000 unemployed. This group acknowledged that communities, led by their mayors, could play a crucial role in fostering employment for youth. The MTFJ used the term “Zero Waste of New Zealanders” to describe their work.

The partnership between the MTFJ and central government has allowed a range of initiatives to be developed that reflect the needs and priorities of particular regions.

In Southland, former Mayor Frana Cardno and Mayor Tracey Hicks in partnership with former Work and Income Regional Commissioner John Allen, established a residential programme (Southland Alive) based at Borland Lodge. This programme was open to young people across the region who met Work and Income criteria. The programme included outdoor adventure challenges, motivational speakers and training sessions aimed to increase self-esteem and preparedness for training and employment. Graduates completed the programme with work experience in an area they were interested in arranged and a mentor who would follow them for a set period. This programme is still running with no specific reference to MTFJ.

Mayor Shadbolt developed a skills development programme in 2007 and accessed a MTFJ fund which was available at the time. The programme took three groups of young people through a one day opportunity to learn about preparing and undertaking a simple concreting project.

Other projects undertaken in Invercargill to encourage and support young people into education, training and employment include the establishment of Murihiku Young Persons' Learning Centre (MYPLC), the teen parent unit, and Work'n It Out which tracked and supported young people after they left school.

The MTFJ has been a partner in the biennial Youth in Local Government Conference which was hosted by a number of councils and Youth Week. This conference has not been held for several years.

MAYORS TASKFORCE FOR JOBS TODAY

The MTFJ runs advocacy projects and aims to partner with best-practice organisations to promote the economic well-being of young people. It is governed by a core group which includes 17 mayors from throughout the country and is chaired by Mayor Max Baxter of Otorohanga Council. The work set out by the core group is executed by the Taskforce Coordinator.

The core group meet quarterly to discuss the strategy and operational works of the Taskforce as well as holding an Annual General Meeting at the LGNZ conference. Cr Darren Ludlow represents Invercargill on the core group. Current MTFJ supporters are The Tindall Foundation, The Todd Foundation and the Industry Training Federation.

Councils are encouraged to plan and implement projects which meet the specific challenges for their area and region. In addition the MTFJ encourages participation in the following programmes they have developed:

Tuia Rangatahi Leadership Programme – Local mayors select a young Maori leader from their area to mentor on a one-to-one basis, to encourage and enhance leadership skills. The young people are expected to undertake and record a 100 hour community service project in their community and attend four leadership development wānanga over the course of the year. Mayor Tracey Hicks, Gore District Council, is currently mentoring two young leaders.

Outward Bound: Developing our Youth – Heavily subsidised scholarships are available for selected New Zealand youth. The nominees are expected to meet part of the attendance fee (\$700), travel and equipment required. The Council is not expected to cover these costs.

Industry Training Graduations – To recognise the achievements of recent graduates and provide an opportunity for the trainees and apprentices to celebrate with their families, friends and employees. This is organised in Invercargill by Southern Directionz and the Southland Chamber of Commerce.

All New Zealand councils (except Hamilton) are members of the Taskforce for Jobs initiative. The annual subscription is set using a population based formula which is capped at a set level for the larger councils. The subscription covers the running of the MTFJ office, the holding of the core group's quarterly meetings and heavily subsidizing the three programmes that are currently offered. The MTFJ also hires contractors for specific tasks and brokers relationships with supporting businesses and philanthropic supporters.

Targeted Young People in the Invercargill District

Invercargill young people (16-24 years) in touch with Work and Income as at 30 June 2018	
Total on main benefits (Jobseeker, Sole Parent Support, Supported Living Payment, Youth Payment, Young Parent Payment, Emergency Benefit, Emergency Maintenance Allowance and Jobseeker Support Student Hardship)	628
Youth Services (16-17 years)	199
Jobseeker Support (18-24 years)	328
Sole Parent Support (18-24 years)	150
Supported Living Payment (18-24 years)	115

Other programmes being undertaken in Invercargill to support young people into education, training and employment, and which encourage positive activity in the community are:

The Youth One Stop Shop – Number 10: Number 10's social services programme offers a range of options for young people in Southland. They provide a safe place which enables young people and their whanau to have access to a range of youth services which promote their physical, mental, spiritual and whanau wellbeing. The youth coaches provide one to one mentoring, advocacy, activities, events and groups, all in a safe place enabling youth to explore their needs, wants and ambitions, supporting them to set goals and helping achieve them. Youth coaches are able to walk side by side on the journey.

Invercargill Student Support Network – ISSN: The network works with secondary schools to support students who are facing difficulties at school which may lead to them leaving education and facing challenges to enter training or employment.

Get Ready – Transitioning to Independence: a printable resource developed by Family Works Southland with the support of the Tindal Foundation:

<https://pss.org.nz/assets/Uploads/PSS-FamilyWorks-TransitioningIndependence-WEB-Final2.pdf>

Murihiku Young Persons' Learning Centre (MYPLC) – Teen Parent Unit (TPU): This is an attached unit of James Hargest College. They provide a flexible and supportive environment for teenagers who are parents or are about to become parents. Attendance at a TPU gives students an opportunity to continue their education and develop the best possible pathway for their future and the future of their children.

Southland Alive – run by Adventure Southland: Work and Income refer young people aged 18-24 years who are not in training, education or employment. The programme involves a two week residential programme held at Borland Lodge in Western Southland. Usually two programmes are run per year with up to 12 participants on each course. Participants are mentored following completion of the programme.

STAR Programme: Based in secondary schools and aligned with tertiary institutions. The objectives of STAR are to provide flexible funding for courses which will better respond to students' needs, motivate them to remain in education, enable them to achieve to the best of their potential, and facilitate their smooth transition to further education, training or employment. STAR supports students in exploring career pathways and helps them make informed decisions about their schooling and future study or work.

GATEWAY: Based in secondary schools, the purpose of Gateway is to enable schools to provide senior students (years 11–13+) with opportunities to access structured workplace learning. Schools should align their Gateway programmes to the Vocational Pathways, where possible.

Aurora College Service Academy: A Ministry of Education initiative that aims to encourage students to stay engaged by providing a motivating and disciplined programme which helps students gain improved qualifications and assists in preparing them to move successfully into the workforce or further education.

Youth Futures: In September 2017, Venture Southland secured Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) funding for a two year period to deliver the Youth Futures Programme as part of the Southland Regional Development Action Plan. This funding supports the project coordinator. The administration and management of the programme are met by Venture Southland. The ICC annual contribution to Venture Southland is currently not being allocated to Youth Futures. Specific project costs are met by Employer Excellence Partners who provide speakers in schools and other situations, and encourage visits to their workplaces. Invercargill City is an Employer Excellence Partner although may not yet have actively taken part.

Students aged 14-20 participate in careers exploration activities in the primary sector and associated industries. The aim is to keep young people engaged so they attain at least a basic qualification and encourage them to think about training and employment opportunities before they leave the formal education system. This reduces their chances of drifting into unemployment.

The programme includes employers talking to groups of students in their schools, and workplace visits. Facebook is used to engage young people and a popular feature is "What's My Job?" profiles. Young people are also encouraged to visit the Careers Fest and the Pop Up Job Shop. At this stage the Youth Futures programme is working predominately with young people still at school. The Pop Up Job Shop targets those who have left school and are no longer engaged in education, training or employment.

CONCLUSION

Through the Mayors Taskforce for Jobs, councils are encouraged to plan and implement projects which meet the specific challenges for their area and region. In the Southland region and Invercargill City we have a wide range of initiatives and opportunities which aim to assist young people under 25 to be engaged in appropriate education, training, work or other positive activity in their community. Some of these are nationwide and education based, while others are Southland home-grown programmes which are evolving as the needs of young people change.

TO: COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE
FROM: CR DARREN LUDLOW
MEETING DATE: TUESDAY 23 OCTOBER 2018

THE MAYORS TASKFORCE FOR JOBS

SUMMARY

The Mayors Taskforce for Jobs (MTFJ) is a nationwide network of New Zealand’s mayors, working together towards the vision of all young people under 25 years being engaged in appropriate education, training, work or other positive activity in their communities.
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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the report be received.

IMPLICATIONS

1.	<i>Has this been provided for in the Long Term Plan/Annual Plan?</i> No
2.	<i>Is a budget amendment required?</i> No
3.	<i>Is this matter significant in terms of Council’s Policy on Significance?</i> No
4.	<i>Implications in terms of other Council Strategic Documents or Council Policy?</i> N/A
5.	<i>Have the views of affected or interested persons been obtained and is any further public consultation required?</i> N/A
6.	<i>Has the Child, Youth and Family Friendly Policy been considered?</i> Yes

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

N/A.

BACKGROUND

In this past year MTFJ has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the new Government which sets out four work areas we believe are crucial to ensure better employment outcomes for young people:

- Driver licensing

- The lack of education to employment engagement, and barriers to engagement
- Health issues (mental health and drug related health issues)
- The need for rangatahi mentoring

The strength of the new MoU is in the depth to which various Government ministries have been keen to commit. So far it includes the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment; Ministry of Social Development; Ministry of Youth Development; Internal Affairs; Te Puni Kokiri; and the Tertiary Education Commission.

Work so far has included working with Minister Martin and Ministry of Education officials on a budget bid to support a driver licensing initiative; developing an education to employment framework with the Ministry of Education; and reviewing the impact that drug testing has and what more effective options could be used.

Outside of Government, MTFJ partners with several organisations that also aim to improve work opportunities, resilience and leadership skills in young people – including Tuia (encouraging Maori youth engagement in communities); the Industry Training Federation and its member Industry Training Organisations (to ensure the skills training provided in various areas meets the labour demands in those markets, and also supporting Industry Training Graduations); Outward Bound (providing scholarships, each worth over \$4,000, for those in MTFJ member areas - including Invercargill); and the Future Leaders programme which helps young people grow their capability through coaching, mentoring, project development and workshops.

An objective of MTFJ is to reduce NEETs (young people between 15 and 24 “not in education, employment or training”). It is estimated each NEET costs the economy approximately \$20,000 in lost productivity and benefits. There are often jobs in communities but the vacancies don’t match the skill-sets of young job seekers. Getting them into appropriate training helps reduce NEETs which has a positive economic effect on regions.

MTFJ has a Core Group made up of representatives from 17 councils throughout the country which meet quarterly. I have been able to represent Invercargill City Council on this group for the past two years. Local Government New Zealand provides a part-time taskforce co-ordinator to help drive projects, as determined by the Core Group.

CONCLUSION

At present there is only one Council in New Zealand that is not a member of MTFJ. Invercargill’s annual subscription is \$4,041.50 + GST.
