

**MINUTES OF THE SOUTH WAIKATO COMMUNITY HEALTH FORUM  
MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 4 DECEMBER 2008, LIBRARY  
MEETING ROOM, TOKOROA HOSPITAL**

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| <b>PRESENT:</b>       | <i>Chair Graewyn O'Sullivan, attendance register misplaced</i>  |
| <b>IN ATTENDANCE:</b> | <i>Grant O'Brien – Waikato DHB Representative<br/>Jane Hudson &amp; Adam Wardle – Waikato DHB Planning &amp; Funding</i>  |
| <b>APOLOGIES:</b>     | <i>Ailsa Gathergood and Gwen Robyns</i>   |
| <b>ITEM 1</b>         | <b>WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS</b><br><i>Graewyn O'Sullivan welcomed people to the meeting.</i>   |
| <b>ITEM 2</b>         | <b>MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:</b><br><i>These were taken as read</i><br><br><b>MATTERS ARISING:</b><br><i>There were no matters arising</i>   |
| <b>ITEM 3</b>         | <b>WAIKATO DHB UPDATE</b><br><i>Grant O'Brien attended for this item and provided a power point presentation covering a number of DHB and Health sector developments. Hand out was supplied for members.</i>  |
| <b>ITEM 4</b>         | <b>LOCAL ISSUES</b><br><i>No local issues at this stage.</i>  |
| <b>ITEM 5</b>         | <b>GENERAL BUSINESS</b><br><br><b>Transport Project</b><br><i>Adam Wardell and Jane Hudson attended for this item. A brief overview was provided on the Transport and Accommodation Policy. A brochure was made available. The transport matrix developed by the DHB was discussed. This tool takes into account issues effecting most rural communities. Such things as levels of deprivation, availability of public transport and distance to Waikato Hospital have been taken into account in identifying those areas in most need of support.</i><br><br><i>There was a general recognition that the National scheme did not offer assistance to many people. The criteria is hard to meet and disadvantages most people who need the assistance</i><br><br><i>The National Policy is a difficult piece of policy to use locally. Part of the current project was to make access and processing the scheme as easy as possible for people, a focus was to be on ensuring that people get the support/assistance they are entitled to. Increasing Do Not Attends (DNA's) are becoming a worry particularly increasing DNA's in areas where there haven't been any before. I/e Paediatrics is a concern, rising petrol costs are believed to be the driver for this.</i><br><br><i>Population priorities have been agreed. These include, Maori and Pacific people, older persons people living in low socio-economic areas and a special case has been made to include children (defined as 0 – 17yrs of age).</i><br><i>The broad area of focus from this matrix development is to provide some baseline from which to make good purchasing decisions.</i> |

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|                             | <p><i>Once the matrix is complete consultation with the CHF's on how this can be used to address local solutions will occur.</i></p> <p><i>Paul will ensure that the Project Plan and promotional material will be available for discussion at the next forum meeting.</i></p> |
| <b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b> | <b>NEXT MEETING:</b><br><br><b>Thursday 12 March</b><br><b>10.00am – 12.00pm</b><br><b>Library Meeting Room</b><br><b>Tokoroa Hospital</b>   |