

**MINUTES OF THE WAITOMO/OTOROHANGA
COMMUNITY HEALTH FORUM MEETING HELD
WEDNESDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2009, WINTEC SEMINAR ROOM,
TE KUITI**

PRESENT	Mark Amon (Chairperson), Lynne Benefield, Wayne Jensen, Kay Walshaw, Liz Phillips, Merv Williamson, Jim O'Halloran, Kim Atutahi, Sheryl Waters, Sally King, Jeff Johnston, Aileen Berrigan, Murray Loewenthal and Shirley Turner.
IN ATTENDANCE	Bernadette Doube – Waikato DHB Representative Amy Thomsen – Waikato DHB Communications Consultant Gordon Chesterman – Waikato DHB Board Member
APOLOGIES	Holly McKay, Kaye Nelson, Adrienne Kinsey, Jill O'Reilly and Mayor Dale Williams.
ITEM 1	WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting.
ITEM 2	MINUTES OF LAST MEETING Minutes of previous meeting held Wednesday 1 July 2009 were tabled and taken as read. MATTERS ARISING Nil matters arising
ITEM 3	LOCAL ISSUES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The North King Country Workforce Development Group's website is up and running. • Chair Mark Ammon expressed concerns around a lack of support for people in their own homes suffering disabilities. Particular concern raised regarding adaptation of homes for people with disabilities and the property standard or age pre alteration Action: clarify with DSL • The King Country Transport Project Group have conducted 400 surveys over a very broad area of the district, and the results should be ready next month (Kim Atutahi). • Annie Schenkel from Beattie Home has worked with Waikato DHB to reach an agreement whereby Beattie Home in Otorohanga now provides one week of respite care for elderly. • An AgeWISE forum starts in Te Kuiti next month and will be held quarterly. • Concerns expressed around a lack of pay machines for car parking at Waikato Hospital. Members told there were five machines and members felt they needed to be better promoted. • Need a sentence on the campus maps to say there is a shuttle bus available that takes wheelchairs. – Action: Andrea to notify media and communications, to look at putting this on the maps.

ITEM 4	WAIKATO DHB PRESENTATION <i>Bernadette presented the Waikato DHB presentation. There was interest expressed in the composition of the Rural Health Advisory Group and terms of reference.</i>
DATE OF NEXT MEETING	Wednesday 3 March 4.00pm – 6.00pm Venue: TBC OTOROHANGA