

COLVILLE COMMUNITY FACILITIES PROJECT



PROJECT PARTNERS

Colville Community Health Trust (CCHT) & Colville Social Service Collective (CSSC) are working together to achieve the best outcomes for the communities in the northern Coromandel Peninsula.

OUR VISION

Northern Coromandel communities that have the infrastructure to support the provision of services and opportunities which contribute to their long-term wellbeing & sustainability.

OUR MISSION

To develop and build community facilities which enable ongoing community access to a wide range of services and accommodation options.

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UPDATE ON PHASE ONE: Feasibility Study Recent Events

We are well under way with the feasibility study for the Colville Community Facilities Project, which we are aiming to have completed by the end of April 2017.

Ruth Hungerford, from Momentum Research & Evaluation in Hamilton, is carrying out the study for us using all of the information we are gathering.

This includes the information we gathered from our stakeholders in 2016 through:

- the advisory group meeting with older residents from the northern Coromandel Peninsula
- the Community Consultation workshop held at Waikawau, Pt Charles, Colville, and Papa Aroha
- Interviews with the children from Colville School
- surveys undertaken by current users of the Colville Community Health Trust Facility
- surveys undertaken by potential users of the proposed Community Facility



A huge **THANK YOU** to everyone who provided feedback so far – all of your ideas, suggestions, and opinions will go into the study.

Feedback gathered from these workshops tells us that:

90% of attendees believe the facilities will benefit our community

60% have needed medical care that is not available here and either gone without or had to travel some distance to get it

46% have accessed medical care locally that otherwise would have meant needing to go to/be admitted to hospital
32% have had difficulty finding somewhere to live or somewhere appropriate to live

"I have often missed out on workshops relevant to work as they are based in Hamilton"

"(My health) never used to be a problem so I could live quite isolated. But now I have physical problems that mean I need to be close to Colville, flat ground without having to move away"



Since these community consultations, the Management Group has met with our local political representatives, Scott Simpson (Coromandel MP), Peter Pritchard (Coromandel Colville Community Board [CCCB] Chair) and Tony Brjlevich (TCDC Councillor), to share an overview of the project including the expanded scope and our reasons for this.

The information was well received and all offered support in whatever way they could for the ongoing development of the project. Mayor Sandra Goudie was unable to attend because of illness and Tony, in his capacity as Deputy Mayor, is reporting directly to her.

We have also met with Gary Thompson from Community Waikato, who has helped us firm up our way forward for next steps.

Where we are at now:

Currently we are gathering information from our visiting population, who are a major part of our community, and from community members who were unable to attend one of the four consultation workshops. You may have seen the signs when driving around the communities

Next Steps:

February sees us expand our community consultation to seek specific feedback around the educational needs and aspirations of our communities. This is being done in conjunction with one of the other CSSC community development projects, and will involve linking with parents, youth and the wider community.

Stakeholder consultation will also be extended to wider groups and organisations that have a special interest in the well-being of the communities of the Northern Coromandel Peninsula. These conversations will enable us to both cement existing relationships and forge new ones. Exciting times!!!!

Once our wider consultation is completed and the information gathered is analysed to inform us, we will be planning our initial round of Advisory Group consultation. The Advisory Groups will each focus on specific areas of the project and will include a mix of interested parties and specialists in each field. If you are interested in participating, please indicate this on your consultation feedback along with your area of interest, or email us.



Again a big thank you goes out to everyone who has helped us so far, and to everyone who has taken time to fill out a survey - Your feedback is important to us.

Kind regards

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