



**The Australasian Housing Institute in New Zealand
presents a 1-day symposium on**

Affordable Rental Housing

Waitakere - 22 July 2008

Decent, affordable, secure housing is at the heart of a civilised, inclusive society and a globally competitive economy. Affordable housing is also potentially the biggest policy challenge emerging for the social housing industry in New Zealand.

The AHl presents a symposium about future affordable rental housing and the potential changes and challenges for people working across the social housing sector. The interactive event will provide an opportunity for speakers and participants to explore topics and issues in rental affordability, including the definitions, concepts and policy directions in “affordable housing” and the professional challenges and transformations that we might expect with a changing social and affordable housing system.

The forum will explore the context in relation to what research and reality tells us about the current housing market in New Zealand and its ability to deliver decent, affordable homes for renters and the public policy responses in terms of what the politicians say. Contemporary issues for lower income renters will be unpacked before hearing from the experts and the participants about what we can do.

It has been planned as an interactive, large group dialogue with speaker input designed to open participant questions, conversations and insights across the day.

Who should attend?

This event is aimed at anyone who is interested in housing affordability in New Zealand including:

- Housing professionals from social and private sectors who would like to better understand the rental affordability issues and policy agenda presently underway;
- Workers in non government organisations with an interest in exploring the implications of rental affordability to organisations and staff roles.
- Tenants and potential tenants affected by the lack of affordable rental housing

Participants will have the opportunity to consider:

- Public policy in relation to affordable housing
- Dynamics of the private rental sector and drivers of investment in private rental
- Issues for renters, particularly those on low incomes
- Possible solutions to the rental affordability problems
- Input into the discussions and debates around the development of affordable housing policies and projects.

Location	Date	Venue
Waitakere	22 July 2008 8.45am-5.00pm	Kelston Community Centre, cnr Great North Road and Awaroa Road

COST: AHl & Community Housing Aotearoa (CHAI) members \$90NZ Non members \$135NZ

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Programme

8.45am Registrations
Introductions and welcome

Opening Address - Living in rental housing in New Zealand to-day - a personal journey
Cissy Rock

Session One - Does New Zealand's housing market deliver decent, affordable homes for renters?

Dynamics of the private rental market

Steve O'Malley, DTZ New Zealand

What does the research tell us about rental affordability?

Kay Saville Smith, CRESA

Drivers of investment in the rental housing

Andrew King, Property Advisor, Estatement Ltd

11.15am – 11.30am Morning Tea

Session Two: The Politicians Panel: Public policy to ensure that the private rental sector is affordable for all New Zealanders

Hon Maryan Street (Minister for Housing)

Ms Sue Bradford

Hon Shane Jones (Minister for Building and Construction)

Mr Phil Heatley (MP)

1pm – 1.45pm Lunch

Session Three – The Issues for Lower Income Renters

A Waitakere Response- how two community groups work together to address housing needs: Issues, Action, Challenge

David Zussman and Lesley Hickey, Monte Cecilia Housing

Sustaining Tenancies- Help to keep the home once you've got it

Annette Sutherland, Comcare

Security of Tenure

Angela Maynard and Helen Gatonyi, Tenants Protection Association

Decent Homes

Kevin Riley, Tenants Protection Association and Nick Collins, Beacon Pathway Limited

3pm – 3.15pm Afternoon Tea

Session Four – The Solutions: what are we going to do about it

The Australian Experience

Adam Farrar, NSW Federation of Housing Associations- Australia

US & UK Models of Secure Tenancies

Scott Figenshow, Queenstown Lakes District Council

Public and Private Partnerships

Patricia Austin, University of Auckland

A new role for community housing organisations

Thérèse Quinlivan, Community Housing Aotearoa

In Partnership with



4.30pm Wrap up

Solutions from the audience

5.00pm Close

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Registration Form – Affordable Rental Housing Forum

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Title: Family Name:

First Name: Other Name(s):

Organisation:

Position / Title:

Address:

Postcode:

Phone: Fax: Mobile:

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Special needs (Dietary, assistance with disability access, other):

Are you a member of the AHI? Yes (Membership #: _____)

No

If No, would you be happy to receive information about the AHI? Yes No

Cost: AHI Members **\$90NZ** Non-Members **\$135NZ**

\$45.00 off your AHI membership if you sign up when you register- please tick box for membership form

Email me a membership form

Enclosed is my payment of \$ _____ Please indicate method of payment below:

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