

SOCIAL SERVICES WAIMAKARIRI

Charter

Agreement:

The signatories to this Charter agree to work together to support the purposes of Social Services Waimakariri, enhance social service delivery so that people can be connected to their community and freely access the services they need for their wellbeing.

Principles:

We believe that by working together we will achieve more than we could by working separately.

The members of Waimakariri Social Services agree to the following shared objectives to support a robust community and to advance community wellbeing by:

- Fostering a collaborative approach that addresses the gaps in social service delivery and outcomes in the Waimakariri District
- Developing a shared work programme that includes initiatives that enhance the wellbeing and social outcomes for the people of Waimakariri; at both strategic and operational levels, including advocacy, consultation and collaborative service delivery
- Identifying, gaining commitment and taking action to address key priority areas for service delivery
- Adhering to the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi
- Engaging the community, promoting local involvement and solutions
- Working collaboratively with all relevant partners in the implementation of these objectives

Purpose:

Our desired result – A healthy community full of active, happy and successful people.

Social Services Waimakariri exists to develop, enhance and co-ordinate service responses to health and social issues relevant to our community. Social Services Waimakariri, Advisory Group and Working Parties provide a forum for collaboration between community providers of social services and partners from local and central government to:

- Identify, prioritise and respond to emerging social issues
- Provide a strategic focus on community outcomes and building capacity
- Lead collaboration, advocacy, innovation and project activity among social and health service providers in Waimakariri district
- Encourage shared decision making across the whole community
- Act as an information conduit between the community and the Waimakariri District Council, providing information and solutions to social service needs and gaps in Waimakariri district
- Respond and be responsible to the Waimakariri residents and the community
- Be well connected with the community, social service providers, Ngai Tuahuriri, local and central government

**Working together and taking action
for the wellbeing of Waimakariri people**