# Kaipãtiki Community Facilities Trust

Who we are, and what we do for your community

Beach Haven, Birkenhead, Chatswood, Bayview, Birkdale, Northcote, Glenfield, Hillcrest, Highbury, Totara Vale and Marlborough



Community development through our connected communities and wellbeing role in Kaipatiki





## Who we are, and what we do

The Kaipātiki Community Facilities Trust (KCFT) has a partnering agreement with the Kaipātiki Local Board to provide a connected community approach through the community development work model. Through this model, KCFT provides a variety of community activations, projects, programmes and key events that meet the needs of our Kaipatiki residents, while also increasing neighbourhood sustainability.

KCFT's role with the Kaipatiki Local Board provides connected communities, and the Trust is committed to serving, and supporting, sustainable communities because we know our role succeeds. where connected communities thrive. Our work will always revolve around the Five Wellbeing's... Give, Be Active, Keep Learning, Connect and Take Notice

KCFT recognises that by working together with regional and local community organisations, including central government agencies, we can do more to effectively support local communities and member organisations, thus achieving greater social wellbeing and more effective outcomes.

KCFT provides support around Tikanga Mãori and all projects that increases Te Aro Maori, or shared outcomes and benefits. This is achieved through collaboration with mataawaka/mana whenua driven kaupapa. KCFT also ensures that local Mãori are involved within the leadership of appropriate consultation/hui and projects. Therefore, KCFT continues to place a high value on Mãori and Pakeha working together in partnership based on the Treaty of Waitangi, along with full engagement in our multi-ethnic and multi-cultural society.

KCFT was originally formed in 1983, (Birkdale College and Community Swimming Pool Trust) to deliver a community role within the local swimming facility operations. Then in 1986, it developed into a variety of community development, community wellbeing and recreational services for the







former Birkenhead City Council. Also in 1986, the Community Coordinator position was established on a contract basis. With the local authority amalgamation in 1989 establishing the North Shore City Council, the Trust's name changed to Birkenhead Northcote Community Facilities Trust. Again, in the amalgamation in 2010 to Auckland Council, the partnership role continued with the Kaipatiki Local Board and the name changed to the Kaipātiki Community Facilities Trust, aligning itself with the new Kaipatiki Community.

### Our Vision and Aspirations

KCFT exists to add value for our communities on a long-term basis, by building on partnerships that enhance the wider community.

We do this through the development and implementation of superior programmes and activities that support the wider communities wellbeing. This in turn, adds value to existing partnerships and builds and enriches the fabric of community life. KCFT is committed to serving and supporting sustainable communities because our role succeeds where communities thrive.



### Our areas of activity include...

- Active Neighbourhood Plans that harness the wisdom and caring of elders and their own neighbourhood
- Diversity programmes that showcase artistic talents in ways that foster a sense of connection
- · Sharing initiatives that teach new skills, etc
- Strengthening local economies by supporting local employment opportunities, especially for youth
- Identifying quality of life issues that concern residents and then, being the linkage at the neighbourhood level, raise them with the Kaipātiki Local Board
- Partnering with government agencies, businesses and education providers to achieve quality programmes, especially for youth
- Collaboration and networking with local and government agencies, along with other organisations, on issues affecting residents' quality of life to provide solutions at a manageable scale
- Mobilising under-utilised resources, skills, knowledge and networks
- Informing policy making at a local level, i.e. Kaipätiki Local Board Plans
- Strengthening trusting relationships between neighbours to positively affect individual health and wellbeing.

## Together, we will uncover inspirational ideas that build neighbourhoods such as:

- · Mapping community assets and neighbourhoods
- Creating space and time for community conversations and family leisure and sharing
- Healthy aging plans that harness the wisdom and caring of elders within their own neighbours
- Festivals and events that showcase artistic talents in ways that foster a sense of connection and diversity
- Sharing initiatives that teach new skills, share resources and grow neighbourhoods.
- Strengthening local economies increasing employment opportunities locally

#### **Our Core Values**

**Roots** – identity, take strength from knowing who you are, and where you are from.

**Community** – add value and give more to our communities.

**Inclusive** – we will engage all residents, in all neighbourhoods.

**Creativity** – to use our gifts and talents through innovation, design and arts.

**Excellent** – all our activities will meet the highest standards, and promote safe, sensitive and involved parenting.

**Expertise** – our work will be based on the best evidence available.

**Respectful** – all relationships between our practitioners, organisations, leisure and interest groups are based on mutual respect, and will stress the importance of collaborative partnering.

**Sustainable** – we are Kaipātiki. Thinking sustainably and acting locally, we will assist our Kaipātiki Local Board to improve the quality of local resources and open spaces in local neighbourhoods, making them more accessible to meet local needs.

**Collaborative** – we will partner relevant organisations when that serves the best interests of the residents of Kaipatiki.

**Accessible** – our activities, projects, events and programmes will be designed to be accessible for all, and we will encourage participation and feedback.

**Relevant** – we will design our activities, projects, events and programmes to meet the needs and priorities of all our stakeholders as best we can.

## Community Sustainability

KCFT works via a partnership model, whereby it supports initiatives that encourage people to be more sustainable in their homes and neighbourhoods, while fostering greater cooperation within those neighbourhoods.

This in turn, allows people to develop a sense of connection with their local environment and thus become more aware of opportunities they may not have been aware of.

Key concepts include:

- Identify and seek ideas on what residents consider to be unique about their neighbourhood
- Taking responsibility to be part of the solution, and showcasing neighbourhoods that are working together towards waste solutions
- Utilising the energy and vision of young people to ensure they are leaders in future sustainability initiatives



## **Community Networks**

KCFT facilitates various networks which bring local organisations and community groups together to share their aspirations and ideas for their particular area of interest.

The idea of volunteering in the community is promoted strongly, as it not only helps with the local neighbourhood projects, but it also encourages a sense of ownership and connectedness within the neighbourhood.





# Kaipatiki Youth

## Kaipatiki Local Youth Board

Providing opportunities for youth to become involved within the community and have a voice in local decision making processes. This is through being part of the consultation process with the Kaipātiki Local Board and other local and central government agencies. The Kaipātiki Local Youth Board allows youth to engage with each other, elected officials and local politicians at a decision-making level.

The Kaipātiki Local Youth Board works together to provide events or projects for youth, led by youth.





### Children's and Student Panels

These panels provide an opportunity for youth to have a voice in specific topics each school term. These panels work in collaboration with agencies and/or our Local Board and are held in our designated schools each term through the year.

A snapshot of the issues covered include: Pest Free Kaipãtiki, Youth Health, Public Transport, Safety in the Community, Watersafe and A Connected Kaipãtiki.



## **Events and Community Activities**

KCFT provides a variety of free events throughout the year that are aimed at meeting community needs, and to encourage connecting with other people who share the places we live in.

Some of the events we have produced or supported include:

- · Summer Fun & Winter Fun
- Families in Parks & Preschool mornings
- · Community Workshops
- · Community Events
- · Bike Kaipātiki Days

- Flax Weaving Workshops
- · Family Movies
- · Fiafia Fanau
- Diwali
- · Tartan Day Tattoo
- Matariki





KCFT Events Team

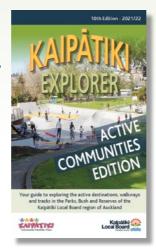


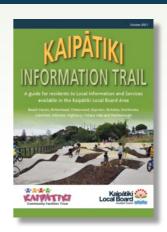
# **Community Publications**

KCFT publishes a range of informative brochures and flyer's that assist the local community in accessing the wide range of leisure, educational and council resources that are available in Kaipātiki.

For example the Kaipātiki Explorer is a guide to exploring the walkways and tracks through our parks and bush reserves, while the Kaipātiki Information Trail provides information for new residents about the region and services available. Other flyer's inform the community

on specific community events.





# Summer/Winter Fun Programmes

The Summer and Winter Fun Programmes organised for the Kaipātiki local communities have become somewhat of an institution in the area, with families looked forward to events specifically designed for them each year.

KCFT have over the years collected together a huge range of educational aids, toys, physical challenge elements, that have given local children (and adults) the chance to push their boundaries, and for families to enjoy a fun time together at the Families in Parks events.

All the goodies are brought to different schools and parks for Preschool Play, so there's something throughout the summer and winter months for young families to look forward to and enjoy.

Other events such as Fun Runs, Guided Bike Rides, Reserves Cleanups, Getting Active Days, Reserves Walks, etc are listed when available.



## **Sponsors**



The Kaipatiki Local Board is our major funding partner as their lead service provider for the work we do in the community, as well as providing our office space.



The Birkenhead Licensing Trust is our key community funder assisting KCFT to maintain a high level of key events/projects.



The Birkenhead RSA provides KCFT with a significant contribution which is very much appreciated.



The Lotteries Grants Board have provided funding for various individual community development projects.

We also acknowledge the help of a huge range of volunteers who assist us in all the projects and events undertaken by the Kaipãtiki Community Facilities Trust.





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