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Annual Report 2020/2021





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From our President

Kia ora koutou,

2020-2021 has been a year of adversity but also a year of opportunity for DPA. The arrival of the Covid-19 Delta variant reminded us we need to be vigilant as it is all too evident it will be around for some time.

Government Agencies are more willing to engage with DPA either on its own or as part of the DPO Coalition. However, the demand has highlighted capacity issues resulting from the chronic underfunding of DPOs. Both DPA and our DPO colleagues continue to advocate for the government to honour their commitment to adequately fund DPOs under the UNCRPD.

Over the past year DPA supported several initiatives in collaboration with other organisations or individuals including the Fairer Futures, Free Fares to Freedom and Digital Exclusion campaigns.

The recent announcement of the establishment of a Ministry for Disabled People and the establishment of Enabling Good Lives (EGL) on a national scale are good first steps. The implementation and success of EGL will depend on how it is resourced. Disabled People who receive disability support will soon be able to have access to their own budgets bringing them more choice and control over how they live their lives. Moving Disability Support Services out of Health is very welcome indeed.

However, DPA doesn't think the proposed accessibility legislation will achieve significant improvements for disabled people. The lack of mandatory regulations is a big impediment to making the types of changes disabled people deserve to see.

The arrival of Delta was a game changer. Unforeseen was that DPA would be swamped by requests for mask exemptions. We had previously been issuing a handful each month, but we were suddenly faced with hundreds of requests each day. Massive thanks to the CE and secretariat who went over and above the call of duty to deal with it. It soon became clear we didn't have the capacity to deal with such demand and the Ministry of Health funded the employment of several contractors to deal with the demand.

Unfortunately, those with mask exemptions (including disabled people) experienced the ugliest side of human nature. The lack of information about mask exemptions meant people who qualified were lumped in with anti-vaxxers and experienced wholesale discrimination from other New Zealanders. There have been some examples of people being treated well but they were much less common than stories of discrimination. Some people have even lost their jobs due to mask exemptions. This is a completely unacceptable denial of basic human rights.

A few projects we had been working on were put on hold while we were working on the pandemic response, including a project to engage with disabled Māori members and empower them to have a voice within DPA. I look forward to continuing this mahi.

Our income has grown and is forecast to continue to grow in the next year thanks to the efforts of our CE and secretariat. I would also like to officially thank Gerri Pomeroy the outgoing Immediate Past President who has continued to advise me, and for the huge contribution she has made to DPA and the disability community. I look forward to the challenges that DPA will face in my second year as President.

Ngā mihi,

Nathan Bond

National President



From our Chief Executive

Kia ora e hoa mā,

It's that time again when we report how the financial year has gone and to be honest, the last three months since the financial year ended have been a hugely intense time. In that regard, recognition must go to Emily Tilley and Angela Desmarais for their massive efforts in the management of DPA's work in administrating the Ministry of Health's face covering exemption cards that were developed in 2020 as a way of explanation to support the fact that some people are exempt from wearing these under the public health order. This work has seen additional resource as well as support by multiple other staff and NEC members and has been a stark reminder of the reason why we work on systemic change for the equity of disabled people.

We are privileged at DPA to have a team of amazing staff, over 90% of whom identify as disabled people. This places us in a rather unique (although not solitary) position in terms of workplaces, our recruitment practises and strength of knowledge in the employment of disabled people. We were lucky enough, with support from Te Pou funding around mobilising community, to be able to bring all staff together in late 2020, something that has not happened for at least the time some of our long stayers have been employed. The COVID environment and budgets place some uncertainty around when we might be able to do this again, but being able to do this really boosted team connectedness.

In September 2020 with the support of Trust Waikato and Kānoa – The Regional Economic Development and Investment Unit we launched Mahi Tika – Equity in Employment. It has been a time of aroha and great pride in watching participants of the Waikato programme engage with each other and their employment journeys.

Early in 2021, we received a grant from the Ministry of Social Development for the purpose of developing a new website and app including a community forum. We have taken on a Web Project Coordinator to carry out this project and hope to have the project completed mid 2022. Members and other stakeholders will have opportunity to input into the development of the final product in 2022.

We usefully partnered with MRCagney to gain Waka Kotahi, New Zealand Transport Agency's contract to undertake research titled "Understanding the transport experiences of disabled people, determining what barriers exist for people wanting to use Total Mobility and exploring new opportunities". This work from DPA, has been led by Paul Brown and a number of staff have been involved in co-facilitation of workshops around the country for disabled people.

This year, saw the development of the National Disabled Students Association who DPA were excited to support alongside many other organisations. We look forward to the association developing further and the strengthening of the student voice on matters concerning disabled people.

Last year's AGM saw Gerri Pomeroy's term as President end and this AGM, she steps back for the DPA NEC finishing her term as Immediate Past President. Gerri has made a huge contribution to DPA and the rights of disabled people since being part of the NEC and I would like to acknowledge the significance of this. I would

also like to thank Nathan for his continued support of staff in his role as President.

So far as DPA operations, we have continued to strengthen our presence in the community, our internal business systems, and our financial position. We had a smooth audit experience this year and this is largely due to our management of internal financial processes and reporting.

There are as always many remarkable moments during the past year, but one of my most memorable has to be when Paula Tesoriero – Disability Rights Commissioner spoke with our first cohort of participants of the Waikato programme for Mahi Tika Equity in Employment. That hour confirmed that we were doing the right thing and we had something different to offer in the Employment space as a disabled persons organisation and disabled people ourselves.

Mā te wā,

Prudence Walker

Chief Executive



With DPA staff working from all around the country, we held a Christmas get-together over Zoom.

Strategic vision

The Disabled Persons Assembly (DPA) is a pan-impairment disabled person's organisation that works to realise an equitable society, where all disabled people (of all impairment types and including women, Māori, Pasifika, young people) are able to direct their own lives. DPA works to improve social indicators for disabled people and for disabled people be recognised as valued members of society. DPA and its members work with the wider disability community, other DPOs, government agencies, service providers, international disability organisations, and the public by:

- telling our stories and identifying systemic barriers;
- developing and advocating for solutions; and
- celebrating innovation and good practice.

Organisational values

Equity – Transparency – Integrity – Creativity – Independence – Inclusivity – Diversity

DPA's commitments

Recognition of Māori as tangata whenua and Te Tiriti o Waitangi as the founding document of Aotearoa New Zealand;

Recognition of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities as the basis for disabled people's relationship with the State; and

Recognition of the Social Model of Disability as the guiding principle for analysis of disability and impairment.

Strategic areas of focus

Access

Disabled people have access and reasonable accommodation as an enforceable legal right.

Education

Disabled people can engage in inclusive, lifelong learning in the communities of their choosing.

Housing

Disabled people live in healthy, safe, accessible, affordable homes of their choosing.

Health and disability support services

Disabled people have equitable health status with non-disabled people – and access to the supports required to live a good life.

Income and employment

Disabled people have sufficient income to meet their requirements – now and in the future. Where appropriate, disabled people have comparable employment to non-disabled people.

Justice, violence and abuse

Disabled people do not experience violence and abuse, disabled people have access to the supports they need in the criminal justice system, and are not overrepresented in the prison system.



A Year in Review

DPA continues to lead advocacy work on behalf of our membership at the highest strategic level, with ministers, senior government officials, ministries and Crown Entities. These areas of work include:

- Membership of the Disabled Persons Organisations (DPOs) Coalition, that engages with government to support implementation of the NZ Disability Strategy through the Disability Action Plan through the Office of Disability Issues. The DPO Coalition is a member of the Independent Monitoring Mechanism (IMM), alongside the Office of the Ombudsman and the Human Rights Commission. The IMM monitors the UNCRPD and reports to the UNCRPD Monitoring Committee based in Geneva.
- DPA is a member of the Access Alliance Steering Group who have worked through the year with MSD officials on progressing a legislative framework for Accelerating Accessibility. It is likely that there will be legislation tabled in the house next year. It remains to be seen if it will meet the aspirations and ambitions of disabled people in this area.
- Members are involved with Enabling Good Lives Leadership Groups in Christchurch, Waikato and Mid Central DHB region and the National Leadership Group. This is a principles based social change movement mainly focused on transformation of the way disabled people are supported by Disability Support Services. The intent is that disabled people will have a person to walk alongside them, personal budgets, service providers will be able to work in more flexible ways, so that disabled people can have increased choice and control over their everyday lives.
- Recently EQC have set up a National Reference Group as recommended by Royal Commission inquiry into the Christchurch Earthquakes. Mojo Mathers has been appointed to this on behalf of DPA to represent our community. One of the key roles will be to provide feedback to EQC on how EQC delivers services across different communities and following an event, feedback on how the insurance and recovery response is progressing on the ground and what improvements can be made.
- Over this period DPA made 14 submissions to government agencies and five submissions to Parliament. DPA made seven regional submissions with the national policy team provided drafting support and oversight of responses to Local and Regional Council consultations to ensure national consistency of messaging.



Prudence Walker and Angela Desmarais made an oral submission on behalf of DPA to the Justice Committee in support of Labour MP Anahila Kanongataá-Suisuiki's District Court (Protection of Judgment Debtors with Disabilities) Amendment Bill.



DPA Submissions

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Submissions and formal feedback to government agencies

- Submission on the National Strategy for the Elimination of Family and Sexual Violence
- Submission on the Public Transport Operating Model
- Submission on Abuse in Care Redress
- Submission on the Inquiry into 2020 General-Election
- DPA Response Climate Change Commission Advice to Govt
- Inclusive Medical Education response
- Submission on Mental Health and Wellbeing Commission Monitoring Framework
- DPA Feedback on Ministry for the Environment Plastics Consultation
- Submission on Census 2023
- Submission on Requirements for Urban Buses review
- Submission on Workforce Development Councils
- Submission on Public Consultation: DZ 4514, Interconnected Smoke Alarms for Houses
- DPA feedback on proposed changes to the Telehealth statement
- DPA feedback on draft Supplementary Order Paper for the Education and Training Bill

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Submissions to Parliament

- Submission on the Mental Health Amendment Act
- Submission on Budget Policy Statement
- Submission on Holidays (Increasing Sick Leave) Amendment Bill
- Post Election Briefing for MPs
- Submission on District Court (Protection of Judgment Debtors with Disabilities) Amendment Bill

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Regional submissions

- Otago Regional Council Regional Passenger Transport Plan 2021 – 2031 Submission
- Dunedin City Council 10 Year Plan 2021-31 Submission – April 2021
- Otago Regional Council and Environment Southland: Draft Regional Land Transport Plan 2021 – 2031 – March 2021
- Southern District Health Board Submission on Southern District Health Board Disability Strategy and Action Plan 2020 – July 2020
- Greater Wellington Regional Council Long Term Plan 2021 – 2031 Submission – April 2021
- Otago Regional Council Long Term Plan 2021 – 2031 Submission – May 2021
- Auckland Council Submission on Auckland Regional Parks Plan – October 2020

In the media

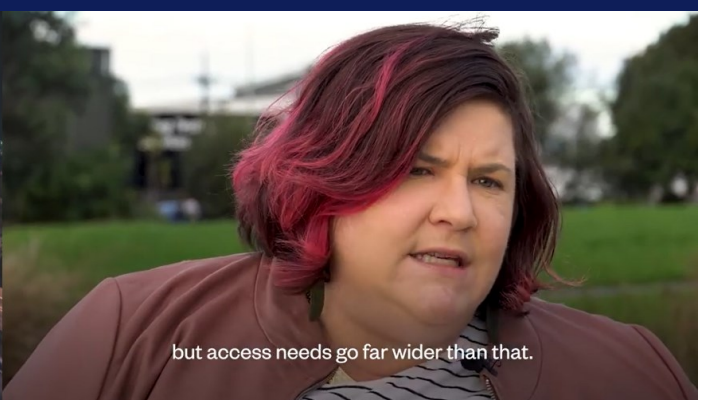
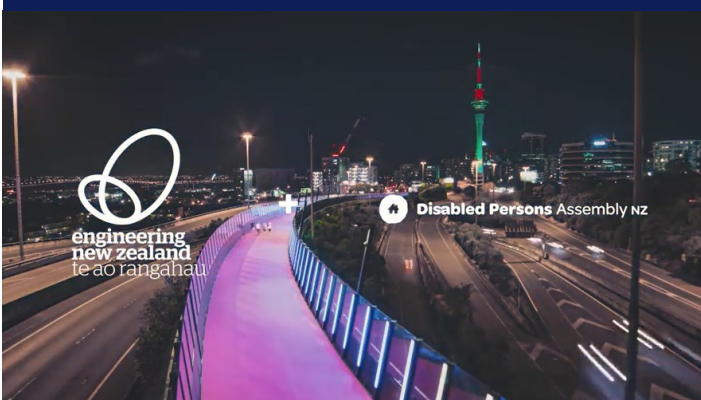


In January 2021 DPA CE Prudence Walker told One News that the shortfalls of the pandemic response highlighted that we don't design systems for disabled people.



- Disabled jobseeker told she would only get job 'if someone feels bad' – Stuff
- Disabled voice excluded from discussion on disability yet again, says advocate – NZ Doctor
- Access All Areas – EG Magazine
- Mahi Tika regional scheme targeting employment for disabled people – NZ Herald
- Mayor criticises new bus fares - Otago Daily Times
- Party leaders fail to front at disability debate, disappointing organisers – TVNZ
- Social media video series highlights struggles of those with disabilities during Covid-19 lockdowns – Stuff
- Visually impaired left out of talks as Christchurch switches to hard-to-see teal buses
- Disabled Kiwis call for more support in case New Zealand re-enters Covid-19 lockdown – TVNZ
- Access to KiwiSaver welcome – Otago Daily Times
- Bay of Plenty bus fares to be free for people with disabilities – RNZ
- Covid-19: Anti-mask group's actions 'disrespectful', – Stuff
- Covid-19 denier boasts about flying without a mask with special exemption card – Stuff
- Disabled four times more likely to report feeling lonely most of the time - report – Newshub
- Ask us: Disabled people must be central to sector reform – NZ Doctor
- Home found after 11 months in motel – Otago Daily Times
- Loneliness: Disabled people, unemployed people, young people and sole parents are groups most affected – Stuff
- 'There's a lot of shame around loneliness, but we're all lonely sometimes' – Stuff
- Decision delay on disability services seen as opportunity by the disability sector – NZ Doctor
- E-scooters parked poorly stopping wheelchair user from travelling – Newstalk ZB
- ORC transport plan lacking, disabled say – Otago Daily Times

Prudence Walker spoke about the need to include disabled people in the design of systems, services and infrastructure in an 'Engineering for Life' mini-series created by Engineering New Zealand.

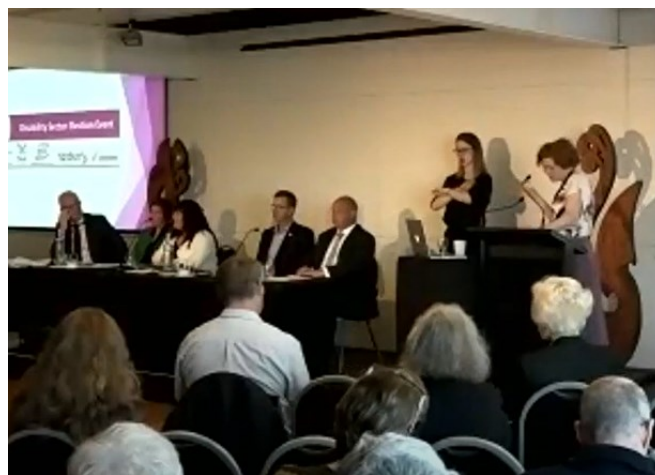


General Election 2020

Unfortunately due to Covid-19 election forums initially planned to take part in Waikato, Christchurch and Dunedin were cancelled.

The Auckland 'My Voice Matters' election forum was changed to an online event. The panel included Hon Minister Carmel Sepuloni (Labour), Hon Alfred Ngaro (National), Golriz Ghahraman (Green), David Seymour (Act), and Jenny Marcroft (NZ First).

The Wellington forum was rescheduled and was successfully held both as an in-person event that was also livestreamed. The panel included Brett Hudson (National), Erika Harvey (NZ First), Greg O'Connor (Labour), Jan Logie (Green) and Simon Court from (Act).



Maternity services research

In December 2020 and January 2021, DPA was contracted by Imagine Better to carry out interviews with disabled people as part of research into the maternity experiences of disabled women and women who have babies born with impairments in the greater Wellington region. Angela was also involved in writing the report alongside Dr Carey-Ann Morrison of Imagine Better. Since then, progress has been made towards developing an inclusive maternity system. The research carried out has been used to inform the creation of a new strategy that takes into consideration the needs of disabled women and women who have babies born with impairments. This research has contributed to meaningful and long-lasting change.

Transport research

Late in 2020 DPA and MRCagney (A transport consultancy firm) were awarded a contract by Waka Kotahi to carry out research into the transport experiences of disabled people with a particular focus on the Total Mobility (TM) Scheme.

The primary method for gathering data was through online surveys of disabled people and service providers (transport providers, Council staff with a responsibility for TM and disability organisations in their role of carrying out assessments for TM eligibility).

DPA was instrumental for the survey being translated into Easyread and produced as an NZSL video.

DPA took the lead on organizing regional workshops of disabled people throughout Aotearoa. These workshops were well attended on the whole and provided a rich array of stories and quotes to ensure the voice of disabled people is heard in the report.

Over fifteen thousand responses were received from disabled people.

Paul Brown from the policy team has also had input to the devising the final report structure, reviewing literature, analysing data and peer reviewing the final draft of the report. Waka Kotahi were pleased with the progress of the research project and approached the partners to carry out an extension to the project analysing disabled people's travel issues in lockdown levels 4 and 3.





Pandemic response

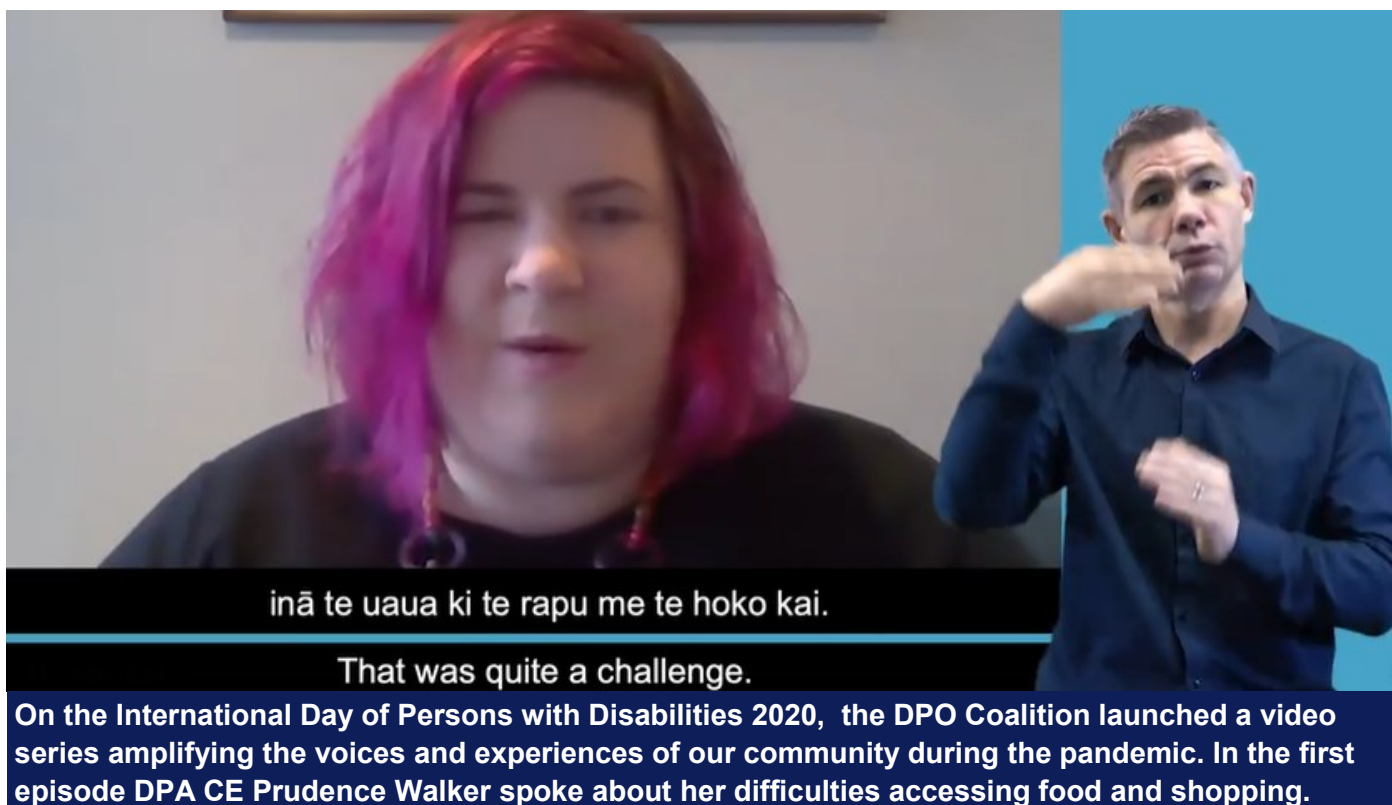
Over this period, the Covid-19 pandemic response has been ever-present and has impacted on the work of DPA.

DPA developed a health and safety policy by which all in-person meetings remained cancelled at Alert Levels 2 and above, so most meetings remained online throughout most of the year. Following on from the success of our initial 'Bubble Hui', these online Zoom meetings for all DPA members have continued at semi-regular intervals. Over the past year members from around the country have connected with each other, DPA staff and NEC members to discuss topics such as income support, employment, housing, and a meeting was also held for our Māori membership.

Throughout the pandemic response DPA has continued to contribute to various Ministry of Health and All-of-Government sector insight and advice teams and engagement groups such as Tatou Whaikaha, a sector leadership group, an vaccination rollout engagement group and a vaccination communications group. These have been an opportunity to ensure that we have up-to-date information for the community and, most importantly, to provide feedback to ministries from our members and the wider disabled community.

Disabled people continue to be hit disproportionately hard by the response to the pandemic. DPA has highlighted issues around access for disabled people to vaccinations and testing and access to food and support, as well as upcoming issues that are likely to arise for disabled people such as vaccination passports.

In 2020 the Ministry of Health developed an exemption card for people who are unable to wear face coverings to communicate their exemption. DPA, along with other Disabled People's Organisations, were tasked with distributing these. In 2021 the mask mandate was expanded, and with all official communication channel pointing to DPA as distributing the cards, our organisation was flooded with requests. We were also flooded with feedback from people who were being turned away from businesses and services because they were unable to wear a face covering. We have worked with government agencies, businesses, police, and others to ensure that people using the card legitimately are not discriminated against.



inā te uaua ki te rapu me te hoko kai.

That was quite a challenge.

On the International Day of Persons with Disabilities 2020, the DPO Coalition launched a video series amplifying the voices and experiences of our community during the pandemic. In the first episode DPA CE Prudence Walker spoke about her difficulties accessing food and shopping.

Mahi Tika

EQUITY IN EMPLOYMENT

Launched by the Minister for Disability Issues Honourable Carmel Sepuloni and Disability Rights Commissioner Paula Tesoreiro in September 2020, Mahi Tika - Equity in Employment is an employment programme run by DPA and designed to increase opportunities for disabled people, who are significantly underrepresented in the workforce.

The programme provides disabled people across the Waikato region with the opportunity to join together with other disabled job seekers to participate in workshops that build employment skills and the confidence to apply for jobs.

Kaitiaki build trust through individual mentoring sessions and support the participants on their individual journeys, working to identify their specific needs and supporting them towards setting and achieving goals.

Participants are also linked in with other support networks and industry networking to assist in this process. Kaitiaki also work to build relationships with other employment services to ensure that what is being offered does not duplicate what is already on offer - filling the gaps rather than overlapping services.

The main objectives of Mahi Tika – Equity in Employment are closely aligned with the three objectives outlined in the Government's Working Matters action plan: to support people to steer their own employment futures, to back people who want to work and employers with the right support, and to partner with industry to increase good work opportunities for disabled people.

It also aligns with the Enabling Good Lives principles of Self-determination - disabled people being in control of their lives, and Mana Enhancing - the abilities and contributions of disabled people and their families being recognised and respected.

Delivery of this project has evolved over the past year, taking on board feedback from participants and staff to ensure it continues to be disabled-led.

The team has also grown, with Angela Desmarais and Rodney Bell being joined by two past participants of the programme, Amber-Krystle Stier and Roger Riley. Timothy Young has left the team to pursue his PhD but continues to show his commitment to the kaupapa by transitioning to an industry partner in his business Smart Access.

The first group of participants have moved through the programme, achieving positive outcomes with 66% now being in employment.



The majority of participants who found employment were employed in the disability sector. This is indicative of not only the sector's already established inclusiveness but also our early stage in the journey towards building a network of inclusive employers. Progress has been made in this area, not only through nurturing relationships with local community leaders and potential employers, but also by attending conferences where a number of key connections have been made.

In addition to the funding from Trust Waikato and Kaanoa (formerly the Provincial Growth Fund), which is specifically for the delivery of Mahi Tika – Equity in Employment across the Waikato region, we have now also secured a grant from the Ministry of Social Development for the purpose of wider research and development of the programme over the next two years.

The purpose of this grant is to evaluate current employment services available across New Zealand and determine where and how we can have the most impact, explore funding options for the future viability and sustainability of the programme, and build relationships with employers nationwide to ensure a strong networking base is developed.



The DPA Mahi Tika—Equity in Employment team and the first group of participants at the end of the first two-day workshop.

Pictures from the previous page show (from top to bottom): The original Mahi Tika—Equity in Employment team after the programme launch; A board illustrating the four dimensions of wellbeing of the Te Whare Tapa Whā model; A group session discussing how your strengths can be used in a work environment.



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Disabled Persons Assembly NZ

Kia ora tatou,

Welcome to my third annual report as Senior Kaituitui.

During the period covered, the Kaituitui team and I have been engaged in a great deal of activity in each of our regions. Significantly, the 2020-21 year has also seen a number of Covid-19 lockdowns at regional level. Our Kaituitui have responded magnificently to the challenges posed by these, especially in regard to Auckland and Wellington which saw periods of alert-level restrictions being imposed, respectively.

In terms of my own activity as lead kaituitui, some of the main highlights have been:

- Continuing to hold regular fortnightly one-on-one online meetings with team members in Auckland, Hamilton, Wellington, and Christchurch.
- In early 2021, we switched the frequency of our Kaituitui team meetings from being fortnightly to monthly.
- Our team has forged a closer working relationship with the policy team with Paul Brown representing his team at Kaituitui team meetings.
- Appearing in various media (sometimes on my own personal account) detailing my ultimately successful but still frustrating search for accessible housing.
- I wrote an opinion piece for the Radio NZ website in late 2020 which, while reflecting my own views, echoed the concerns of the disability community around the Government's proposed health and disability reforms on disability support.
- I co-facilitated a Zoom housing hui with Erin Gough which brought together members to discuss my favourite issue, accessible housing.

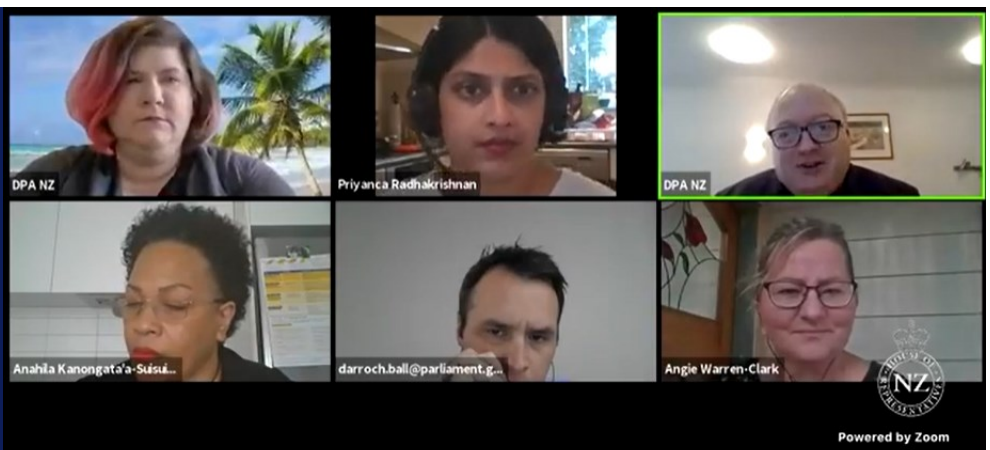
I have also worked closely with other DPA team members on a wide array of issues throughout the year. One task I have recently taken up is assisting our regional kaituitui with the writing of submissions to local councils and health boards. Some of the major topics covered in this space have been accessibility, transport, events and trading in public spaces and playground accessibility to name but a few.

Overall, the year has been an interesting and challenging one for both myself and, as you will see from their reports, the rest of the Kaituitui team.

Ngā mihi,

Chris Ford

Chris Ford joined Chief Executive Prudence Walker in presenting an oral submission on the Residential Tenancies Amendment Bill to the Social Services and Community Committee



Auckland

Claudia Christensen - Auckland Kaituitui



Coming from the Mahi Tika team in the summer of 2020, I had the opportunity to say my goodbyes and welcomed my new title - Auckland Kaituitui. I started my role in February 2021. Although I've been in the role only for a half-a-year, Auckland has seen many challenges over that time, including a couple of lockdowns due to Covid-19.

My first action in this role was to make a submission to Auckland Council on their 10-year plan which included recommendations around housing, climate change, transport and community investments. Other submissions completed by me with the assistance of Senior Kaituitui Chris Ford made to Auckland Council included: on the proposed Trading and Events By-Law which recommended greater restrictions around e-scooters, and on decluttering in public spaces which will benefit Blind, vision impaired and mobility impaired people in the community, amongst others. Other submissions, such as the Silverdale War Memorial Park Playground development and on the D'Oyly Stanmore Park Reserve Playground were also completed during this period.

A few notable highlights for me have been going down to Palmerston North to help facilitate workshops on transport and disability as part of the MR Cagney research project for Waka Kotahi/NZ Transport Agency. These workshops were beneficial in understanding the issues disabled people face with public transport in New Zealand.

Other forums I have attended have included those hosted by the Royal Commission into Abuse in Care, Convention Coalition, and Streets for People. Over the past few months, we have made our voices heard by Streets for People which, in turn, has led to a few changes being made to benefit the disability community, including the greater decluttering of Auckland streets. I started attending Streets for People-hosted information evenings on the dangers of e-scooters to promote greater safety and awareness amongst the disability community as well.

I hope that in the coming months, there will be other memorable highlights from my time as Auckland's Kaituitui to report.

Waikato

Joy Ho—Waikato Kaituitui



DPA Waikato held a forum in July 2020 that encapsulated two of the more significant events affecting us in the Waikato during the latter part of 2020:

One was Hamilton's transitioning of our rubbish and recycling to a new process using new bins and an alternating collection cycle, in a bid to reduce waste for the environment. This major change was a challenge for many of DPA Waikato's members, and we held a forum for the experts to come and explain the new framework to us.

Meanwhile, Hamilton's BUSIT cards were also changed to a new 'Bee' card for the public transport network. Those implementing the change came to help the disability community understand a shift from using the Accessibility Concession card to the Bee Accessibility card. A rough estimate of over 1700 users now benefit from using the Bee Accessibility Concession card. A Bee Accessibility Concession +1 card was later also introduced for those who bus with their carers.

2021 has been a challenging year for DPA Waikato as we briefly held our monthly forums in person from April to June, before resorting back to online due to Covid-19.

A range of topics were discussed at our monthly forums, including the availability of Auckland Disability Law and its services, the launch of the Hamilton-Auckland Te Huia train service in April, Covid-19

vaccination rollout for the disability population across the Waikato, and the Hamilton City Council District Plan review submission procedures. Forum participation among members hovered around 10-20, with some representatives from disability services attending such as Community Living Trust and CCS Disability Action.

DPA Waikato made one submission on the Hamilton Traffic Bylaw review 2021 to the Hamilton City Council urging them to consider and consult the needs of disabled people when proposing new or revised housing or transport infrastructure. The submission was made in conjunction with Maurice Flynn from CCS and Chris Ford, both endorsed it at a verbal briefing in October. Overall, DPA Waikato had a fruitful year given the challenges thrown our way, and we trust and hope that the environment we are in will only improve from here.

Wellington

Chris Ford - Acting Wellington Kaituitui



I assumed the role of Acting Kaituitui for DPA Wellington in April 2021. In doing so, I succeeded Ollie Goulden whom I would like to extend a huge thank you to for all his hard work in the region over nearly two years. I know from having spoken to Wellington members since I assumed the acting Kaituitui role that his contributions are missed.

There's been plenty to keep me busy in the role of Acting Kaituitui since April this year.

During this time, I was involved in the following activities:

- In May, DPA was one of the signatories of an open letter penned by the newly created Poneke Campaign for Transport Equity Group to Minister of Transport, Hon. Michael Wood, on the issue of having low, flat rate fares for Community Services Card holders (which include many disabled people) and students in the Greater Wellington region.

- I became involved in learning more about and supporting efforts around having disabled people's voices heard on the Let's Get Wellington Moving project sponsored by both the Wellington City and Greater Wellington Regional Councils which involves making improvements to transport and pedestrian infrastructure.

- I wrote various submissions on behalf of DPA Wellington including, for example, on the Wellington City Council's and Greater Wellington Regional Council's Long Term Plans.

- I aimed to keep Wellington members informed of what was happening both in their local area and nationally via Facebook posts and emails.

What's been even more amazing is that I've done this job remotely from Dunedin throughout without even setting foot in Wellington! In this sense, I would like to thank all the Wellington members who have been so supportive of me since I took up the role. I look forward to someone from the region taking over the role and supporting the mahi of DPA Wellington.

Christchurch

Ingrid Robertson - Christchurch Kaituitui



It has been a good year despite Covid-19 disruptions.

This year I have been increasingly involved and on some great committees where I feel our voice can be heard. These include ECan, the Accessible Regulatory Workshop and Total Mobility. I also attend MSD

Advocates and Enabling Good Lives Core and Leadership Group meetings. While it was daunting to start with, I feel I am finding my feet.

Election Forum - disappointingly our forum planned for August was cancelled due to Covid-19 restrictions, however Auckland and Wellington managed to hold forums via Zoom which was great.

Pegasus Beach Walkway - I met Shona Powell and Michael 'fix it' man, Waimakariri District Council with Rose Walters, and Stewart Haig. I had seen an article advising this path had 'finally been made accessible' but was still sand and gravel which was difficult for walking frames, wheelchairs, and people with poor mobility. We discussed laying asphalt and putting handrails from carpark to beach. There will be a platform and bench where people can sit and be close to the beach. Work in progress.

Next Steps Expo - we had a DPA stand which Raewyn Dawson and Jamie Hoffman volunteered to help me with. There was a good turn out and we had people come and chat to us to find out more about DPA.

Christmas Lunch - We held our Christmas Lunch at Speights Ale House which was lovely. Eighteen people attended and it was enjoyed by all.

Accessible Regulatory Working Group - After communicating with Lianne Dalziel about accessibility with footpaths, Tūranga Library issues and mobility carparks – the lack of and one hour limits - I was invited to join the Accessible Regulatory Working group which Cllr Aaron Keown is Chair– these issues are being looked into.

Christchurch Public Transport Accessibility Reference Group (ECan) - In this group our discussions currently are ensuring the bus service is accessible to everyone. Different bus lines have gone from different colours to one colour, teal. This has caused concern for some bus users especially blind/low vision. We are also looking at the updating of the Real Time Programme and Fare Policy review.

Arts Access - I met Michael who runs the Little Andromeda Theatre who requested advice on accessibility. I went and had a look and they have done a good job, both Theatre and website are accessible.

Q & A on the Covid-19 Vaccine - DPA and People First organised a forum which 50 people attended in person or via Zoom. Ministry of Health Deputy Director General Disability Adri Isbister, Covid19 Vaccine and Immunisation Disability Lead Ray Finch and Stakeholder Engagement Specialist Beth Williams joined us via Zoom to answer questions. It was well received; some people felt their questions were answered whereas others are still in the dark.

Don't Be Scared, Be Prepared Booklet - This has been updated and I am pleased to say Civil Defence have agreed to fund the printing of 500 copies.

MSD Forum - We organised and held a forum on Disability and Supported Living Allowance.



DPA Christchurch Kaituitui
Ingrid Roberston, Newsletter
Editor Miriam O'Connor and
Member Marie Zittersteijn
were invited to Kate
Sheppard House to discuss
accessibility.

Here Marie tries out the
stereoscope with assistance
from Kate Sheppard House
staff member Helen Osborne.



This report takes up where the last one left off in July 2020 as the country began to emerge from the first of the Covid-19 lockdowns. During this time, DPA Dunedin continued to hear from and represent local members on a range of issues. We also held a number of highly successful events (in collaboration with other organisations) on these issues.

However, we sadly lost our Vice President, Geoff Makinson, to cancer in October 2020. He was an active member of both DPA and the Dunedin Deaf community and was a member of his church and bowling club communities as well. On behalf of DPA, we extend our condolences to Geoff's widow, Rachel, and his whānau.

The main highlights of the last year were:

- The Southern District Health Board formally launched their Disability Strategy and accompanying action plan in early 2021. I spoke at the formal launch of the plan and stressed DPA's involvement (alongside local organisations) in getting the plan to this stage. It is now being implemented via a Disability Working Group chaired by DPA member, John Marrable.
- DPA, working alongside other DPOs and disability providers, arranged a 'My Vote Counts' disability issues election forum for September which didn't go ahead, incidentally, not due to Covid-19 but more due to an unseasonal snowstorm.
- DPA organised and hosted a very successful International Day of Persons with Disabilities Event on December 3 featuring the Gasp Dance Collective and also speeches from myself, President David King and Dunedin Deputy Mayor, Councillor Christine Garey.
- Several DPA members (including me) continued to sit on Facilities in Transition (Fit) Groups focused around the design of the new Dunedin Hospital to ensure both accessibility and inclusion.
- Alongside other DPA members, I continued to play an active role in the Access for All Group which brings together disabled people and stakeholder organisations in monthly meetings about access issues in the Dunedin area.
- In my capacity both as DPA Kaitiuitiui and Access for All member, I organised a very successful Dunedin Accessible Housing Forum in April. The forum discussed the various barriers faced by local disabled people in accessing housing and featured addresses by Associate Housing Minister, Hon. Poto Williams, Dunedin Mayor Aaron Hawkins, Geoff Penrose from Lifemark Limited, Disability Rights Commissioner Paula Tesoriero

Dunedin Mayor Aaron Hawkins speaks at the Dunedin Access for All Housing Hui.



and they were all preceded by a presentation by five disabled people about their housing experiences.

- I continued to represent DPA on the Dunedin City Council's Disability Issues Advisory Group (DIAG).
- On behalf of DPA, I wrote submissions on the Dunedin City and Otago Regional Council 10 Year Plans, the Regional Council's Regional Transport and Regional Passenger Transport Plans and the City Council's District Plan (2GP) update.
- The Otago Regional Council, as part of their Regional Passenger Transport Plan have committed to implementing the universal journey, a call made by disability organisations (including DPA).
- The Dunedin City Council, as part of their 10 Year Plan, have committed to upgrading all public toilets and this includes the building of two changing places toilets and to build more community housing (and to universal design standards) - all things that we have called for.
- I continued to present and produce the DPA Notable Radio Show where I have interviewed a wide array of guests.

I wish to thank everyone including our President David King, committee members Rachel Makinson and Jasmin Taylor and my DPA colleagues for their support of both me and DPA Dunedin over the past year.



Performance Report

Disabled Persons Assembly (NZ) Inc.
For the year ended 30 June 2021

Entity Information

Disabled Persons Assembly (NZ)
Inc. For the year ended 30 June
2021

Legal Name of Entity

Disabled Persons Assembly (NZ) Inc

Entity Type and Legal Basis

Incorporated Society and Registered Charity: Incorporation Number: 218318

Charity Registration Number

CC24755

Entity's Purpose or Mission

To provide an independent, collective voice for all people with disabilities in New Zealand

Entity's Operational Structure

Disabled Persons Assembly (NZ) is governed by a National Executive Committee consisting of six members. The organisation has regional committees throughout the country which report to the National Executive Committee. The day-to-day operations of the organisation are carried out by 19 employees.

Main Sources of Entity's Cash and Resources

Community grants and government contracts

Main Methods Used by Entity to Raise Funds

Applications for funding

Entity's Reliance on Volunteers and Donated Goods or Services

Disabled Persons Assembly (NZ) Inc is reliant on the time provided voluntarily by members of the National Executive Committee, apart from paid consulting work and reimbursements for expenditure incurred in their capacity as National Executive Committee Members.

Physical address

Level 4
173-175 Victoria Street
Wellington 6011

Approval of Performance Report

Disabled Persons Assembly (NZ)

Inc. For the year ended 30 June

2021

The National Executive Committee is pleased to present the approved Performance Report including the historical financial statements of Disabled Persons Assembly (NZ) Inc for year ended 30 June 2020.

APPROVED



Nathan Bond

President of the National Executive Committee

Date: 10th November 2021



Prudence Walker

Chief Executive

Date: 10th November 2021

Statement of Service Performance

Disabled Persons Assembly (NZ) Inc.

For the year ended 30 June 2021

Our Outcomes

Input into Ministry of Health policy advice about common themes and issues relating to service provisions for disabled persons in New Zealand

Implementation of the Regional Kaitiuitui roles to increase community awareness and support for people with disabilities

Communication of DPA and sector news and providing opportunities for feedback on issues to both DPA membership and the wider disability community

Enabling disabled people's voices to be heard nationally, eg. through the media

Our Outputs

Output 1 -

Number of submissions and formal feedback to government agencies

2021 (actual)

14

2020 (actual)

12*

* Note 2017 – 2020 numbers reflect

Output 2 -

Number of submissions to Parliament

2021 (actual)

5

the combined total of Output 1 and Output 2 for 2021

Output 3 -

Number of Regional Submissions

7

Output 4 -

Number of Kaitiuitui engaged

2021 (actual)

5

2020 (actual)

5

Output 5 -

Facebook Followers

2021 (actual)

2,112

2020 (actual)

1802

Twitter Followers

873

592 (Twitter)

Number of newsletters (Information Exchange) sent

45

49

Media stories DPA is quoted in

27

33

Submissions:

Submissions and formal feedback to government agencies

1.Submission on the National Strategy for the Elimination of Family and Sexual Violence

2.Submission on the Public Transport Operating Model

3.Submission on Abuse in Care Redress

4.Submission on the Inquiry into 2020 General-Election

5.Response CCC Advice to Govt

6.Inclusive Medical Education response

7.Submission on MHWC Monitoring Framework

8.Feedback on MfE Plastics Consultation

9.Submission on Census 2023

10.Submission on Requirements for Urban Buses review

11.Submission on Workforce Development Councils

12 Submission on Public Consultation: DZ 4514, Interconnected Smoke Alarms for Houses

13 Feedback on proposed changes to the Telehealth statement

14 Feedback on draft SOP

Submissions to Parliament

1 Submission on the Mental Health Amendment Act

2 Submission on Budget Policy Statement

3 Submission on Holidays (Increasing Sick Leave) Amendment Bill

4 Post Election Briefing for MPs

5 Submission on District Court (Protection of Judgement Debtors with Disabilities) Amendment Bill

Regional Submissions

Otago Regional Council Regional Passenger Transport Plan 2021 – 2031

Dunedin City Council 10 Year Plan 2021-31 Submission – April 2021

Otago Regional Council and Environment Southland: Draft Regional Land Transport Plan 2021 – 2031 – March 2021

Southern District Health Board Submission on Southern District Health Board Disability Strategy and Action Plan 2020 – July 2020

Greater Wellington Regional Council Long Term Plan 2021 – 2031 Submission – April 2021

Otago Regional Council Long Term Plan 2021 – 2031 Submission – May 2021

Auckland Council Submission on Auckland Regional Parks Plan – October 2020

Statement of Financial

Disabled Persons Assembly (NZ) Inc.

For the year ended 30 June 2021

Account	Notes	2021	2020
Revenue			
Donations, fundraising and other similar revenue	1	1,313	5,600
Fees, subscriptions and other revenue from members	1	185	1,790
Revenue from providing goods or services	1	715,874	463,933
Interest revenue	1	179	251
Other revenue	1	74,847	74,182
Total Revenue		792,398	545,755
Expenses			
Employee related costs	2	560,039	398,116
Costs related to providing goods or service	2	166,301	210,697
Total Expenses		726,340	608,813
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year		66,057	(63,058)

Statement of Financial Position

Disabled Persons Assembly (NZ)

Inc.

As at 30 June 2021

Account	Notes	30 Jun 2021	30 Jun 2020
Assets			
Current Assets			
Bank accounts and cash	3	830,916	236,810
Debtors	4	53,277	49,341
Prepayments	5	4,003	2,790
Total Current Assets		888,196	288,941
Non-Current Assets			
Property, plant and equipment	6	12,227	5,257
Total Non-Current Assets		12,227	5,257
Total Assets		900,423	294,198
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Credit cards	7	2,955	286
Creditors and accrued expenses	8	27,042	30,645
Goods and services tax		15,025	10,900
Employee costs payable	9	31,778	26,284
Unused donations and grants with conditions	10	593,732	61,403
Other current liabilities	11	1,948	3,314
Total Current Liabilities		672,480	132,832
Non-Current Liabilities			
Other non-current Liabilities	11	520	0
Total non-Current Liabilities		520	0
Total Liabilities		673,000	132,832
Net Assets		227,423	161,366
Accumulated Funds			
Accumulated surpluses or (deficits)	12	227,423	161,366
Total Accumulated Funds		227,423	161,366

Statement of Cash Flows

Disabled Persons Assembly (NZ)

For the year ended 30 June 2021

Cash Basis

Account	Notes	2021	2020
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Cash was received from			
Donations, fundraising and other similar receipts		1,313	5,600
Fees, subscriptions and other receipts from members		185	1,790
Receipts from providing goods or services		1,316,446	537,095
Interest, dividends and other investment receipts		178	251
Total Cash was received from		1,318,122	544,736
Cash was applied to			
Payments to suppliers		(160,632)	(210,716)
Payments to employees		(554,545)	(393,499)
Goods and services tax paid		3,128	(9,955)
Total Cash was applied to		(712,049)	(614,170)
Total Cash Flows from Operating Activities		606,073	(69,434)
Cash Flows from Investing and Financing Activities			
Cash was received from			
Closed Regional branches		0	0
Total Cash was received from		0	0
Cash was applied to			
Payments to acquire property, plant and equipment		(14,637)	(3,105)
Total Cash was applied to		(14,637)	(3,105)
Total Cash Flows from Investing and Financing Activities		(14,637)	(3,105)
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash		591,436	(72,539)
Bank accounts and cash			
		236,810	309,950
Credit cards			
		(286)	(887)
Total Opening Cash Balance		236,524	309,063
Closing Cash Balance			
Bank accounts and cash	3	830,916	236,810
Credit cards	7	(2,955)	(286)
Total Closing Cash Balance		827,961	236,524

Statement of Accounting Policies

Disabled Persons Assembly
(NZ) Inc. For the year ended 30
June 2021

Basis of Preparation

These financial statements have been prepared for Disabled Persons Assembly (NZ) Incorporated. This includes Disabled Persons Assembly (NZ) Incorporated's National office and all of its regional branches.

The entity has elected to apply PBE SFR-A (NFP) Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting - Accrual (Not-For-Profit) on the basis that it does not have public accountability and has total annual expenses equal to or less than \$2,000,000. All transactions in the Performance Report are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. The Performance Report is prepared under the assumption that the entity will continue to operate in the foreseeable future.

Presentation Currency

The Performance Report is presented in New Zealand dollars (NZ\$) and all values are rounded to the nearest NZ\$.

Revenue Recognition

Donations and grants with no "use or return" condition attached are recorded as revenue when cash is received. Donations and grants with a "use or return" condition attached are recorded as a liability when cash is received, and as the condition are met the liability is reduced and revenue is recorded.

Fees and subscriptions from members are recorded evenly over the period the item is provided, or where the value varies recorded proportionally on the basis of value in relation to total estimated value. Membership with the assembly is on a voluntary basis.

Provision of services are recognised on a stage of completion

basis. Interest income is recorded as it is earned.

Bank Accounts and Cash

Bank accounts and cash in the Statement of Cash Flows comprise cash balances and bank balances (including short term deposits) with original maturities of 90 days or less.

Trade Receivables

Trade receivables are initially measured at the amount owed. When it is likely that the amount owed, or some portion, will not be collected, an impairment adjustment is recorded. Interest charged on overdue amounts are added to the individual debtor balance.

Comparative figures

The 2020 figures presented for the year ended 30 June 2020 include Disabled Persons Assembly's regional branches' activities. These figures are audited.

Property, Plant and Equipment

Items of property, plant and equipment are initially recognised at cost. Historic cost includes items of expenditure directly attributable to the acquisition of assets and includes the cost of replacements that are eligible for capitalisation when these are incurred.

All of the entity's items of property plant and equipment are subsequently measured in accordance with the cost

model. All other repairs and maintenance expenditure is recognised in the Statement of Financial Performance

as incurred.

Depreciation is calculated on a diminishing value and straight line basis over the depreciation rates and estimated useful life of the asset. The following depreciation rates and estimated useful lives have been used:

Furniture and fittings 3 - 10 years or 18% DV /

SL Computer equipment 3 - 4 years or 40% -

67% DV / SL

Website 4 years

An item of property, plant and equipment or investment property is derecognised upon disposal or when no further future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the asset (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in the Statement of Financial Performance in the year the asset is derecognised.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

The entity is registered for GST. All amounts are stated exclusive of goods and services tax (GST) except for accounts payable and accounts receivable which are stated inclusive of GST. Only the National Office and the Palmerston North regional branch are GST registered.

Income Tax

As a registered charity under the Charities Act 2005, Disabled Persons Assembly (NZ) Inc is wholly exempt from New Zealand income tax under sections CW41 and CW42 of the Income Tax Act 2007.

Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year.

Notes to the Performance Report

Disabled Persons Assembly
(NZ) Inc. For the year ended 30
June 2021

Bank accounts and cash

1. Analysis of Revenue		
Donations, fundraising and other similar revenue		
Donations	1,313	5,600
Total Donations, fundraising and other similar revenue	1,313	5,600
Fees, subscriptions and other revenue from members		
Subscriptions	185	1,790
Total Fees, subscriptions and other revenue from members	185	1,790
Revenue from providing goods or services		
Government contracts	443,041	302,500
Grants - Other	272,834	161,433
Total Revenue from providing goods or services	715,874	463,933
Interest, dividends and other investment revenues		
Interest received	179	251
Total Interest, dividends and other investment revenue	179	251
Other revenue		
Other income	56,362	34,110
Income from on charge	18,485	40,072
Total Other revenue	74,847	74,182
Account	2021	2020

2. Analysis of Expenses		
Volunteer and employee related costs		
Salaries & Wages	557,393	398,116
Staff Expenses	288	0
Training	2,358	0
Total Volunteer and employee related costs	560,039	398,116
Costs related to providing goods or services		
ACC levies	813	962
Accommodation and travel	6	15,885
Accounting fee	3,829	16,864
Administration fee	1,603	1,579
Advertising	603	806
AGM/conference expenses	1,678	2,173
Audit fee	12,619	14,859
Bank charges	354	383
Base contractors' fees	513	10,760
Branch expenses	720	2,415
Car park and parking	0	152
Catering and meals	5,911	5,986
Computer expenses	4,654	1,698
Depreciation	7,666	3,802
Expenses for on charge	19,258	40,410
General expenses	5,199	10,372
Insurance	5,509	2,814
Kohas/Gifts/donations	699	491
Lease / hire of equipment	0	2,162
Legal and professional fees	44	3,184
Meetings	2,140	310
Loss on disposal of asset	0	1,841
Other Expenses	306	0
Postage and couriers	231	1,017
Power	953	0
Printing and stationery	1,018	16,366
Publicity and annual report	0	159
Rent	32,652	28,347
Repairs and maintenance	321	33
Subscriptions and publications	8,663	7,961
Support	5,750	8,666
Telecommunications	6,879	5,928
Travel & Mileage	31,639	0
Venue Hire	1,145	0
Website and internet	2,926	2,313
Total Costs related to providing goods or services	166,301	210,697

3. Bank accounts and cash

Bank accounts and cash		
National office	781,923	185,142
Christchurch	13,850	9,093
Dunedin	4,946	9,331
Gisborne	1,334	1,748
Palmerston North	7,589	6,442
Taranaki	3,737	3,448
Tauranga (WBOP)	8,672	8,637
Waikato	8,863	12,970
Total Bank accounts and cash	830,916	236,810
Account	2021	2020

4. Debtors

Debtors		
Trade debtors	53,277	49,341
Total Debtors	53,277	49,341

Account	2021	2020
5. Prepayments		
Prepayments	4,003	2,790
Total Other current assets	4,003	2,790
Account	2021	2020

6. Property, plant and equipment		
Computer Equipment		
At cost	49,796	35,161
Accumulated depreciation	(39,116)	(31,953)
Total Computer Equipment	10,680	3,208
Furniture and Fittings		
At cost	16,417	16,417
Accumulated depreciation	(14,870)	(14,368)
Total Furniture and Fittings	1,547	2,049
Website		
At cost	78,947	78,947
Accumulated depreciation	(78,947)	(78,947)
Total Website	0	(0)
Total Property, plant and equipment	12,227	5,257

2021						
Asset Class	Opening carrying amount	Additions	Disposals	Depreciation Expense	Closing	Carrying amount
Computer Equipment	3,208	14,637	-	(7,165)		10,680
Furniture and Fittings	2,049	-	-	(502)		1,547
Total	5,257	14,637	-	(7,667)		12,227
2020						
Asset Class	Opening carrying amount	Additions	Disposals	Depreciation Expense	Closing	Carrying amount
Computer Equipment	3,688	3,105	(525)	(3,060)		3,208
Furniture and Fittings	2,725	-	-	(676)		2,049
Total	6,413	3,105	(525)	(3,736)		5,257

7. Credit cards		
Credit cards		
National office	2,955	286
Total Credit cards	2,955	286
Account	2021	2020

8. Creditors and accrued expenses		
Creditors and accrued expenses		
Accrued expenses	23,595	23,479
Trade creditors	3,447	7,166
Total Creditors and accrued expenses	27,042	30,645
Account	2021	2020

9. Employee costs payable		
Employee costs payable		
Provision for holiday pay	31,778	26,284
Total Employee costs payable	31,778	26,284
Account	2021	2020

10. Unused donations and grants with conditions		
New Zealand Lotteries grant	110,910	48,459
Te Pou Consumer Leadership Grant (1988)	49,745	10,597
Internal Affairs COGS	0	2,348
Ministry of Womens Affairs	7,820	0
Trust Waikato	169,959	0
Ministry of Social Development CCRF	2,860	0
Ministry of Social Development	245,713	0
Lion Foundation	6,725	0
Total Unused donations and grants with conditions	593,732	61,403

Unused donations and grants with conditions reconciliation					
Grant	Unspent as at beginning of year	Received	Expended/ Applied	Returned to funder	Unspent as at end of year
New Zealand Lotteries Grant	48,459	158,930	94,218	2,261	110,910
Internal Affairs COGS	2,348	4,000	6,348	-	(0)
Te Pou Consumer Leadership Grant	10,597	64,682	25,534	-	49,745
Ministry of Womens Affairs	-	10,000	2,180	-	7,820
Trust Waikato	-	250,000	80,041	-	169,959
Ministry of Social Development- CCR	-	4,890	2,030	-	2,860
Ministry of Social Development	-	250,000	4287	-	245,713
Lion Foundation	-	16,000	9275	-	6,725

The Southern Trust	-	3,420	3420	-
Christchurch City Council	-	15,000	15000	-
Maurice Carter Trust	-	3,000	3000	-
Rata Foundation	-	25,000	25000	-
North and South Taranaki COGS	-	2,500	2500	-
	61,403	807,422	272,833	2,261
				593,731

Account	2021	2020
11. Other Liabilities		
Current		
Income in Advance	0	3,181
Hire Purchase - Spark Phones	1,948	133
Total Current	1,948	3,314
Non Current		
Hire purchase - Spark phones	520	0
Total Non Current	520	0
Account	2021	2020

12. Accumulated Funds		
Reserves Contributed By branch	12,097	12,097
Accumulated surpluses or (deficits) for the year	66,057	(63,058)
Retained earnings	149,269	212,327
Total Accumulated Funds	227,423	161,366
Account	2021	2020

13. Commitments		
Commitments to lease or rent assets		
Current (less than twelve months)	26,112	26,112
Non Current (later than twelve months)	17,408	43,520
Total Commitments to lease or rent assets	43,520	69,632

The National Office of Disabled Persons Assembly (NZ) has a long term lease on premises occupied at 173-175 Victoria Street, Wellington. The annual rent is \$26,112 and the lease runs from 1 March 2020 to 28 February 2023.

14. Contingent Liabilities and Guarantees

There are no contingent liabilities or guarantees as at 30 June 2021 (last year - nil).

15. Related Parties

During the year, Nathan Bond (National Executive Committee Chair) received \$6,849 for attending meetings with external parties in his capacity as Chair (last year- nil). There are no other related party transactions during the period ended 30 June 2021 or 30 June 2020.

16. Events After the Balance Date

There were no events that occurred after the balance date that would have a material impact on the Performance Report.

17. COVID-19

On 30 January 2020, the spread of novel Corona virus (COVID-19) was declared a public health emergency by the World Health Organisation. From 25 March 2020, New Zealand was placed into Alert Level 4 lockdown to combat the pandemic. In the months following, and up to the date the financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board, the country has cycled in an out of various Alert levels, some of which have included further lockdowns and restrictions on citizen movement and activities for extended periods.

The Board maintains the view that the entity has sufficient resources to continue to operate as a going concern provided operational targets are met.

**A big thank you from Disabled Persons Assembly NZ
for the support of our funders:**

- NZ Lottery Grants Board
- Ministry of Health
- Ministry of Social Development
- Ministry for Women
- Trust Waikato
- Kānoa - Regional Economic Development & Investment Unit
- Community Organisation Grants Scheme
- The Lion Foundation
- Te Pou
- Southern Trust
- Rata Foundation
- Christchurch City Council
- The Dunedin City Council



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