



Thanks to all of you who came and contributed to the workshop – it was fabulous to see you there. Watch this space for a third Communities Summit later this year (but not too close to Christmas!).

### **NSCSS 37<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting, July 20th**

**When:** Wednesday 20 July 2011

**Time:** 12.00 - 2.00pm (Lunch provided)

**Where:** Taitamariki Hall (Girl Guides Hall) Auburn Reserve,  
Auburn St, Takapuna, North Shore City  
(permits are available for parking)

### **AGM PROGRAMME**

Welcome  
Introductions  
AGM Business  
Speaker

### **Guest Speaker – Professor Paul Spoonley:**

‘The Future Face of Auckland’

Research Director, College of Humanities & Social Sciences, Massey University.

We look forward to seeing you!

**RSVP (for catering purposes) Ph: 486 4820 or E-mail: [info@nscss.org.nz](mailto:info@nscss.org.nz) [www.nscss.org.nz](http://www.nscss.org.nz)**

### **New Website to Enhance Community Connections**

As noted in last month's newsletter, ACDA is sponsoring establishment of a website to enhance communication amongst communities in the Auckland region. Those who have given input favour Community Connections Auckland for the name and two priorities for searchable content: information about all groups and events in the region. If you would like to make suggestions or find out more, please contact Deborah Radford: [deb@pl.net](mailto:deb@pl.net).

### **ACDA Long Term Visioning and Planning**

ACDA is partnering with Business Lab to develop a longer term vision and plan for ACDA's work. This visioning and planning will drive our strategy and, in doing so, focus operational efforts in ways that will empower ACDA to remain relevant and reliable to Auckland's communities. This process will take place through August and September and, as ACDA is focussed on assisting communities to participate effectively at the regional level, will include a group event that you will all be invited to contribute to. We will email you directly with details soon.

### **ACDA membership**

As you know, ACDA has had some short-term partial funding. This has now finished and we have been unsuccessful so far in our applications for more sustainable resourcing. This means that ACDA is still largely run on the volunteer energy of the Establishment Group. Please help support the work we are doing by becoming an ACDA member and completing the [membership form](#). You can join as an individual, or a community sector organisation. We are of course seeking other funding, but for now membership funds are critical to ensuring ACDA can continue what we have started.

**Best regards,**

***The ACDA Establishment Group***

*Yvonne Powley - North Shore Community & Social Services; Christine Herzog - Auckland WEA; Philippa Pitcher - Parnell Trust; Pat Watson Communities Foundation; Tania Kauri - Papakura Council of Social Services/The Gate; Megan Courtney - Inspiring Communities; Vishal Rish Auckland Regional Migrant Services.*