

Timaru

Those who attended agreed

- That there was important value to having the LOAD meetings – the focus on AOD, the opportunity to gather and share AOD/MH information in such a wide group of organizations and people;
- although they met in various different groups the LOAD was the only one with an AOD/MH focus and because the impact of alcohol (the worst of the drugs) and other drugs had such an impact on the community;
- those who attended wanted to make sure the meetings continued with an aod focus at the very least twice a year.

It was discussed who the data base of contacts would be sent to

- Important so people could be notified of future meetings and so that AOD info could still be disseminated via the list if required.
- It was also agreed that the responsibility for organizing the meetings should be shared or rotated and not be imposed on one organization
- the first meeting would be arranged by Caroline House for August
- that the next would be arranged by another organization to be decided at the August meeting and the information organized and emailed to Caroline House who would then be able to forward it using the data base as a mailing list.

Funding was discussed

- It was suggested that the local Funding and Planning could be approached to see if they had a small amount of funds that would cover tea/coffee/food
- ALAC was also suggested as they had some funds that could possibly made available to community activities such as this but an application would have to be made via Jim Hauraki the new South Is Project Manager
- If no funds were found groups could bring something for a shared lunch

To the question of where/venue

- various suggestions included the host 'service' use meeting room, then next venue, host etc to be decided from meeting to meeting.

Administration, it was agreed that

- Agendas and information would be prepared by the service hosting the meeting would prepare the notices etc and forward them to the group holding the data base to send out;
- an attendance list should be taken at the meetings and the organization arranging the meeting would add or make change information available to who held the data base so it could be updated.