



*(As of 1 July 2022, the Rotary Club of Onehunga – One Tree Hill was renamed the Rotary Club of Maungakiekie)*

## Newsletter to keep the Wheel Turning



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**Club Meeting location:** Royal Oak Bowls, 146 Selwyn Street, Onehunga, Auckland

**Time:** Monday evening doors open 5:30pm, runs 6pm - 7:30pm incl \$20 dinner

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**IMAGINE  
ROTARY**

## NL 112, 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022

**Present:** 29

**Apologies:** Derek Atkinson, John-Paul Goulding, Paul Jenner, Duncan McDonald, John Mamea-Wilson, Ant Martin, Tony Rayner, Rhett Stephens, Colin Tea

**Sergeant's Fines:** \$105.60

## PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Consequent on Neil Reid's resignation there is a need for a chairperson for the Membership Committee. Neil has left things in good shape, and anyone interested please contact Quentin directly.



To mark Rotary's Polio Day the District will be arranging an initial showing of the 2022 film "**The Lost King**".

**Details:** 3.30pm, Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December, Westgate Event Cinemas, Tickets \$30.

The Lost King - available exclusively to Rotary Clubs ahead of its Boxing Day release.

The Lost King is a British comedy-drama that tells the story of the woman who led the search

to find King Richard III's remains under a car park in Leicester in 2012.

This is a comedy about how the remains of Richard III were found under the basement of a carpark in Leicester about three years ago. The production is by the group who made the movie "Philomena" in 2013. More details about this will be to hand soon.

There were reminders about the revived **Ellerslie Spring Clean** this Saturday 15 October from 2:30 – 4:00pm rendezvous at Ellerslie Domain, Main Highway, Ellerslie. And the **planting day on Motuihe Island** on Sunday 16 October 2022. The ferry for this leaves at 9am and returns at 3:30pm.

There is a Rotary sponsored event about **Women Refugees in Africa** on Friday 11 November 2022 at the Uxbridge Arts Centre in Howick. More details of this will follow.

## CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS



### **Bill Grayson reported:**

Six primary school children were transported by Club members to Willow Park at Eastern Beach on Sunday 9 October 20122 for the school holiday camp.

Three students nominated by the Club for the 2023 Summer Science Forum at Auckland University in January have been accepted, two coming from OHS and one from Marist Girls School in Mt Albert, the Club provides \$1,500 per student for the weeklong live-in forum.

## 5-MIN SPOT

**Rae McKean** was invited by George Arulanantham - Club International Grants & Projects Chair.

**Rae** whose family have been supplying educational material to the Pacific Islands for 30 years, via their company **Read Pacific** provided details of the supplies they send regularly to all the Pacific islands.

They have strong connections with Vanuatu where the main challenge is to provide printed work in three languages, English, French and Bislama.

This is supported by the Rotary Clubs of North Shore and Port Vila. There are 440 English speaking schools in Vanuatu and 150 French speaking schools as well the other schools where only Bislama is spoken.

The islands have been hard hit by recent hurricanes and have no funds for replacement materials. Anyone who would like to assist can contact Rae at Read Pacific.

## 2022 Book Fair

Volunteers required:

**Sorting:** 21-25 Nov

**Sales:** 26 & 27 Nov

Selected left over books will go to the Pacific Islands

ROTARY CLUB OF MAUNGAKIEKIE

# BOOK FAIR!

2022

ALL PROCEEDS TO CHARITY

FREE ENTRY\*

\*Earlybird entry 7-9am Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November \$20 per person

**SATURDAY, 26<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER (9-5<sup>PM</sup>)**  
**SUNDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER (9-2<sup>PM</sup>)**

**ONEHUNGA COMMUNITY HOUSE**  
83 Selwyn Street, Onehunga

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ROTARY CLUB OF MAUNGAKIEKIE

## WANTED...

### SECOND HAND BOOKS

**CDS, DVDS, JIGSAWS & CHILDRENS GAMES WELCOME**  
(No magazines or encyclopedias please)

For the annual book fair at the Onehunga Community House (83 Selwyn Street, Onehunga) on 26-27<sup>th</sup> November 2022

For collection of items:

Phone Robin Hulford on (09) 624 9102 or Derek Neutze on (09) 624 9151

Email [robin@thehulfords.com](mailto:robin@thehulfords.com) or [dandmneutze@xtra.co.nz](mailto:dandmneutze@xtra.co.nz)

**Drop off Onehunga Community House**  
83 Selwyn Street, Onehunga from 21<sup>st</sup> November 8.30am-12.30pm daily

**BENEFICIARIES:**  
Youth Leadership Award; Kids to Camp; Onehunga High School; Pacific Advance Secondary School; Royal Oak Intermediate School; Local Primary Schools; Local Kindergartens

**Drop off at College Rifles Club, Haast Street Remuera in the Horse Float, parked at the south side of the car park from 14<sup>th</sup> November**

# guest speaker

## Ana Ika

Social Policy Analyst/ Advocate,  
Salvation Army

### The Salvation Army's 15<sup>th</sup> Annual State of the Nation 2022

(Published: February 2022)

(By: Salvation Army, Social Policy & Parliamentary Unit)

*(Report by Barry Stafford)*

Our delightful guest on Monday October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022, was Ana Ika, whose refreshing youthfulness and personality was available for all to see as she raced through her address on the above report. She is one of three authors of the report. In 20 minutes, she provided a quick insight on its content and the importance of it as material relevant to us all.



Ana Ika  
Social Policy Analyst/  
Advocate, Salvation  
Army

Of course, the “Sallies” have a role in our society which will colour their message. But the significant point about this document is that it is not produced by any of our political parties, nor any paid consultants engaged by them, or anyone else. For that reason alone, I suggest that its value is worth far more than might at first appear.

Your reporter took copious notes as Ana galloped along. Fortunately, the Army has an excellent website which is colourful, responsive, and user friendly. You can access a [Summary Report](#) of the 8-page report which contains graphs and other material and the [Full Length report](#) itself. There is also a YouTube [video](#) where you can hear the authors of the report including Ana (13'37" in).

By comparison my notes were scruffy, hard to read and often made little or no sense. To do some justice to the report and to Ana I have therefore put aside my notes and looked more carefully at the summary available online, which also has further video additions.

The two strongest impressions I have is first, of the importance of the report to all of us. Its value is enhanced because it is the **15<sup>th</sup> annual report**, not the first. The next time I hear anyone espousing on any topic covered by this report, I will be checking with what the Army has to say.

The second is how apposite this report is for Rotarians in NZ and for Maungakiekie Club in particular. Our guiding motto is “Service above Self” and the Salvation Army lives and breathes that every day of its existence. It has done so since 1865.

Our current project for the Mental Health and Wellbeing of primary school children in North Auckland, and the many other things we do, often annually, are touching on or affecting many of the matters to which the report refers.

My approach therefore has been to pick out some extracts from the Summary Report to try and demonstrate the careful and studied way it was put together. In so doing I hope to engage your interest so that like me you will read at least the summary of the report online.

I also had in mind the questions asked of Ana after her presentation. I realised that a good read of the summary will answer them with more detail than the time which was available to her to respond.

In preparing the following extracts (including graphs), any errors or unintended emphasis which might appear is down to me (and the Ed.), and hopefully will not detract from the excellence and importance of the work. The dotted lines indicate that, between the extract before the line and after, are parts of the summary which are excluded.

In the online summary, as mentioned in the third paragraph below the first heading **Introduction**, there are assessments which will add to your understanding of how the report's view of the specific issues can be seen.

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## The Salvation Army - State of the Nation 2022 (selected extracts)

### INTRODUCTION

In this report, the wellbeing of our nation is assessed by looking at outcomes that impact on the health of communities, whānau and individuals that The Salvation Army—Te Ope Whakaora, the Army that brings life—works with each day. We look at measures across the following areas: Children and Youth, Work and Incomes, Housing, Crime and Punishment and Social Hazards as well as assessing all these areas through a specific focus on outcomes for Māori, using He Ara Waiora wellbeing framework.

The focus is on national-level trends and outcomes that can tell us something of the overall state of our nation at the beginning of 2022. Most of the statistics and data are drawn from publicly available sources. We aim to use the most recently available indicators, including some statistics for the year to 31 December 2021, if available before publication.

The indicators in each section are grouped into themes, and an assessment is made whether there is overall improvement (+), no change (NC) or deterioration (−).

These assessments are intended to promote debate and discussion about our progress towards greater wellbeing.

## Children and Youth

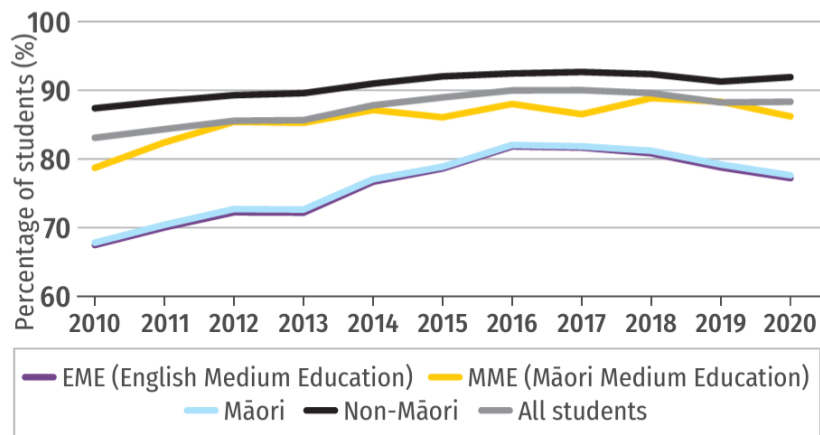
All children and youth should be safe, live free from poverty and have the chance to live fulfilled lives. As a nation, we are finding our way through rough waters as the continuing Covid-19 pandemic impacts and disrupts young people's education and puts their whānau (families) under financial pressure and at a greater risk of poverty...

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH

| CATEGORY                  | RESULT |
|---------------------------|--------|
| CHILD POVERTY             | NC     |
| CHILDREN AT RISK          | -      |
| CHILDREN AND VIOLENCE     | -      |
| YOUTH OFFENDING           | +      |
| EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION | +      |
| EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT   | -      |
| TEENAGE PREGNANCY         | +      |
| YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH       | -      |

...Youth offending has continued to decrease in 2021, although there was little further progress to reduce the large disparity in offending between Māori and non-Māori. Pregnancies in young women under 20 years continued the declining trend since 2008, and, as a result, abortions in 2020 were 70% lower than in 2008.

Proportion of students leaving school with NCEA Level 1 or above—2010–2020



## Work and Incomes

Dramatic and historic changes to our employment and incomes characterised 2021, as a result of the continuing disruption caused by the Covid-19 pandemic and the general climate of uncertainty it has created.

Some of the features of another year of disturbance for our nation to navigate were: four months of Covid-19 alert level restrictions and lockdowns in Auckland and surrounding regions; migration down to a

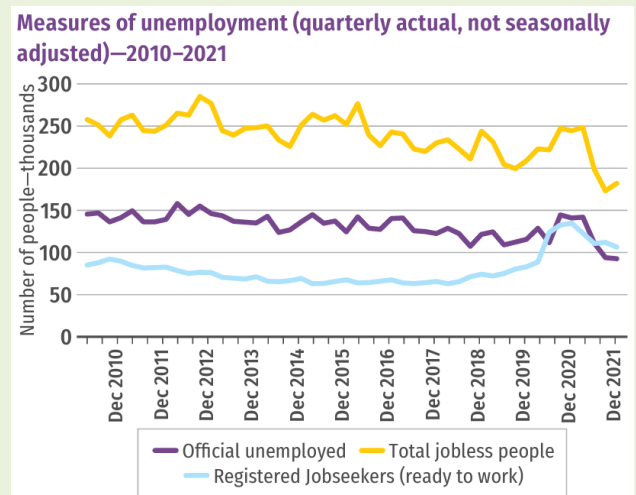
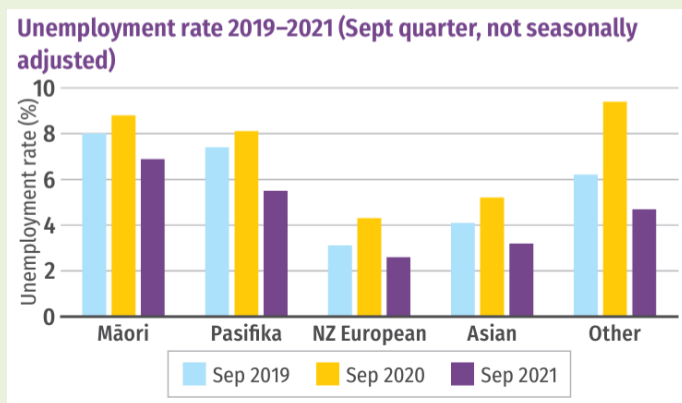
## WORK AND INCOMES

| CATEGORY                   | RESULT |
|----------------------------|--------|
| EMPLOYMENT                 | +      |
| UNEMPLOYMENT               | +      |
| INCOMES                    | +      |
| INCOME SUPPORT AND WELFARE | +      |
| HARDSHIP AND FOOD SECURITY | -      |

fraction of pre-Covid-19 levels; and, in a September quarter when the economy shrunk significantly, we also saw record low unemployment.

There are more positive assessments than negative in this section, which reflects the fact that overall, the health response has continued to spare the country from the worst of the international pandemic and given space for our communities and economy to adjust and keep functioning.

The extended period of lockdowns in Auckland, as well as other regions in the north, impacted the September to December quarter data in employment and incomes, but not to the extent that might have been feared...



...The Government increased core welfare benefits again in July 2021 helping to lift the lowest incomes, but the return of inflation in the second half of 2021 did put pressure on household budgets, highlighting the need to continue to focus on lifting the lowest incomes to adequate levels.

Increased government hardship assistance grants signal the pressures on people, but the large investment in a range of initiatives to improve food security in communities may be beginning to show signs of improvement, with fewer households reporting running out of food.

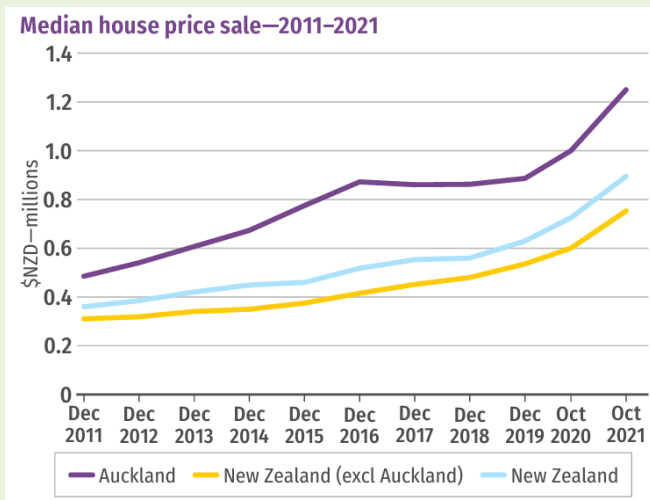
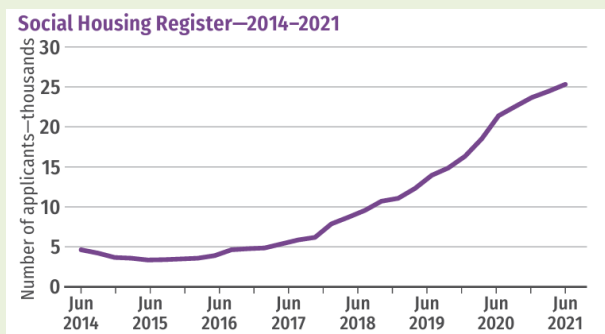
## Housing

The overwhelming housing picture for Aotearoa that emerges from these indicators is a very gloomy and challenging one.

There are a few encouraging signs, including the continuing increase in consents for new dwellings and nominal changes in new dwellings relative to population changes.

| HOUSING       |        |
|---------------|--------|
| CATEGORY      | RESULT |
| AVAILABILITY  | -      |
| AFFORDABILITY | -      |
| DEBT          | -      |

But some caution is needed around the record growth of consents. Statistically, supply is increasing overall, but The Salvation Army's focus is on advocating for the increase of the supply of *affordable* public housing.



## Crime and Punishment

The New Zealand justice system spans across three key agencies: the New Zealand Police, Ministry of Justice (MOJ) and Department of Corrections.

While each ministry serves its own purpose, all facets of the justice system work together to uphold justice and keep New Zealand safe.

| CRIME AND PUNISHMENT        |        |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| CATEGORY                    | RESULT |
| OVERALL CRIME               | NC     |
| VIOLENT CRIME               | -      |
| FAMILY VIOLENCE             | NC     |
| SENTENCING AND IMPRISONMENT | +      |
| RECIDIVISM                  | NC     |

Overall, our assessment in the Crime and Punishment section shows key improvements in sentencing and imprisonment outcomes; major improvements needed in addressing violent crime; the disparity for Māori; and no major shifts evident in family violence, recidivism and overall crime...

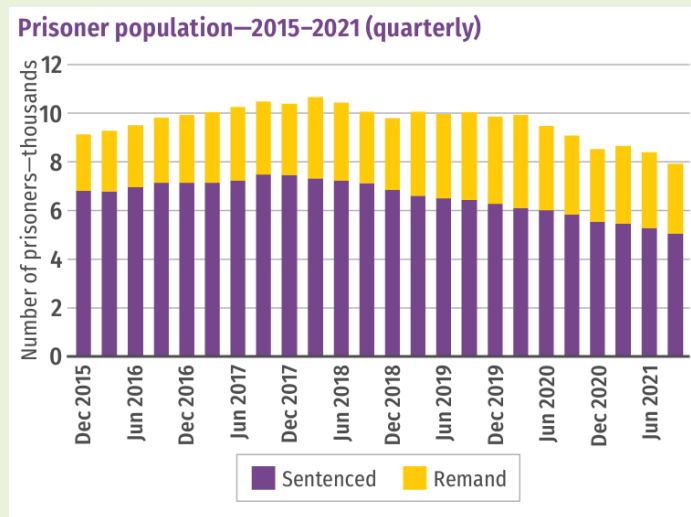
...Overall crime data shows that alleged offenders and proceedings against these offenders have been declining, while victimisations and victims have been increasing. The Salvation Army has been tracking these indicators for 15 years, and a consistent theme throughout these reports has been the increasing levels of victimisations. Estimated offence volumes remained relatively unchanged; however, closer inspection showed that increases in violent offences, such as assaults and sexual assaults, were balanced out by declines in almost all other offences.

The justice system's move towards a less punitive approach is becoming evident in rates of imprisonment and sentencing of offenders. Despite increases in prosecution and convictions in 2021, there were less imprisonments and more community sentences handed out.



These trends towards community sentences over imprisonment sentences have resulted in the lowest prison muster in the past 10 years. In addition, the proportion of approvals for parole by the New Zealand Parole Board has increased slightly in the past year.

Despite these welcoming trends in imprisonment and sentencing, the recidivism rates continue to remain stubbornly high, particularly for Māori. These rates continue to highlight the need for targeted rehabilitative and re-integrative long-term approaches.



## Social Hazards

There are four areas that we monitor in the Social Hazards section: alcohol use, use of illicit drugs, gambling harm, problem debt and financial hardship.

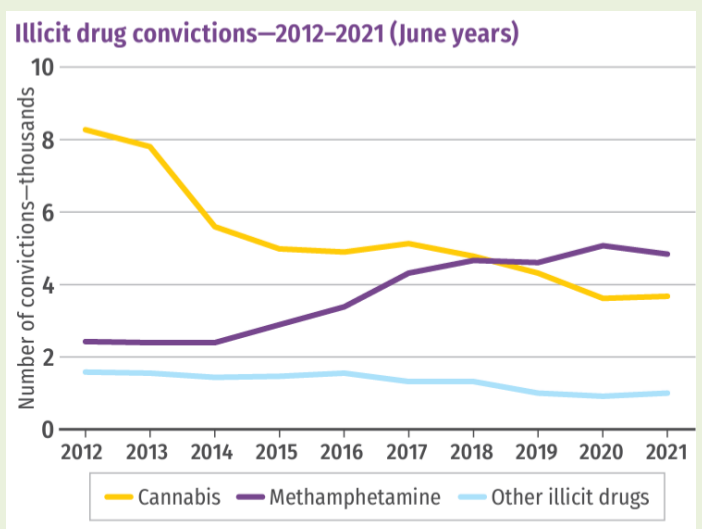
All these are regular activities for many people in society. Most of these actions are legal and regulated, but some are illegal.

These activities generally have an addictive element which can create serious harm for the person over-engaging or abusing them, as well as for their whānau and other people around them.

These four areas are also hazards for which we provide various social and Christian spiritual support services throughout the country.

## SOCIAL HAZARDS

| CATEGORY                            | RESULT |
|-------------------------------------|--------|
| ALCOHOL                             | NC     |
| ILLCIT DRUGS                        | NC     |
| GAMBLING HARM                       | NC     |
| PROBLEM DEBT AND FINANCIAL HARDSHIP | -      |



## Māori Wellbeing – Inequity in the Spotlight

The unprecedented task of attempting to vaccinate our country's whole population aged over 12 years against Covid-19 has brought the health inequities experienced by Māori into the front pages and living rooms of everyone in our nation.

Our health system is not set up as well as it should be to provide health services to the communities where most Māori live. In late 2021, over 90% of the eligible population was fully vaccinated, but the rate for Māori was much lower 77%. A hugely successful vaccination programme overall can still contain significant unfairness and vulnerability.

This section of the *State of the Nation 2022* focuses on other social impacts in our country and the pattern of unfair and inequitable outcomes for Māori that exists across most of the indicators. It highlights areas that show positive examples where change to improve outcomes and reduce inequities is happening, as well as identifying areas where long-standing inequity remains...

### *Improving*

Five years ago in 2016, 386 rangatahi (youth) aged 17–19 years were sent to prison; in 2021 that number had fallen to 84. Over the same time period, 1,236 rangatahi aged between the ages of 12–16 years were charged in court; in 2021 that number had more than halved to 600.

Changes made to how police and the justice system deal with offending by young people mean different ways are being found to hold young offenders accountable for their actions.

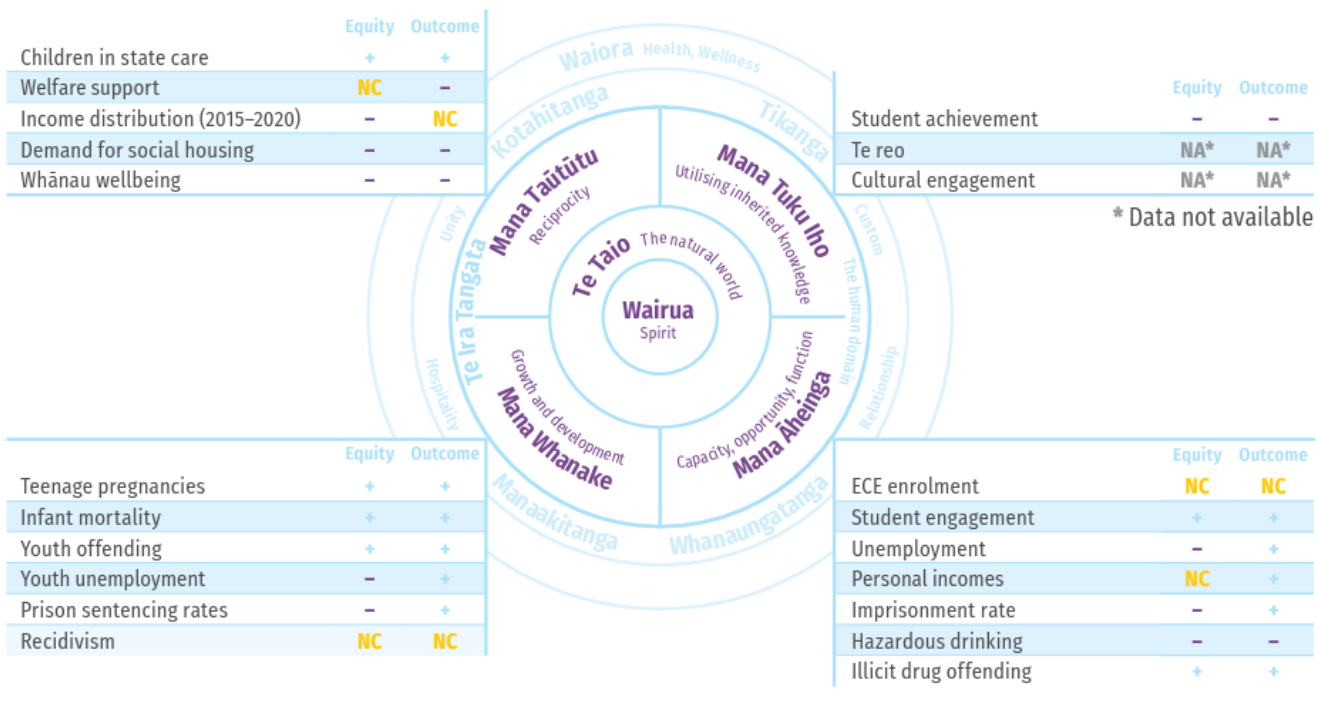
For those who go to court, initiatives such as Rangatahi Courts, are examples of using an approach that gives rangatahi a chance to find their place in te ao Māori, while facing the consequences of their actions and finding ways to restore damaged relationships.

### *Declining*

The crisis of unaffordable housing is impacting Māori deeply, and it has got worse this year with Māori almost five times more likely to be in need of social housing.

Exciting and innovative Māori-led housing projects are underway, but there is continuing and increasing need for housing that is in the right place and of the right design to meet the needs of whānau (families).

## He Ara Waiora wellbeing framework



## CONCLUSION

Inequality is like a river wending its way through our life and times, stretching back over the 15 years of reporting. There is so much more to be done to deal with the levels of social and economic inequality that so stubbornly persist. It raises the question: are we as a nation making the structural changes needed to achieve greater equality?

It is hoped that this report mapping our social progress will help us navigate our way through the turbulent rapids of our times.

We hope the level of social cohesion experienced over this pandemic period might be the catalyst to deal with the social inequality of those on the margins. We hope that we can all see ourselves as belonging within a community, where we can all have a place in the waka in which to navigate and traverse these turbulent times.

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## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK - provided by Derek Neutze –

If somebody tells you, “You are looking very good” they’ve already thought how old you’re looking.

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## DUTIES

**Unable to attend?** Apologies to Noel Carey: [noelcarey@hotmail.com](mailto:noelcarey@hotmail.com)

**Unable for a duty?** Arrange your own replacement & text Noel Mb: 0274 509 845

**Meeting: Mon, 17<sup>th</sup> Oct 2022**

**Sergeant:** Noel Carey

**Attendance:** Gwynyth Carr

**Hospitality:** Phil Aish

**Equip & Photos:** Bill Appleton

**Scribe:** Barry Stafford

**Host & Thanks:** Barry Stafford

**Speaker:** Jim Jackson & Stephen

**Lasham:** Manukau Harbour

**Thought:** Rob Lyons

**NO MEETING: Mon, 24<sup>th</sup> Oct 2022**

**Meeting: Mon, 31<sup>st</sup> Oct 2022**

**Sergeant:** Noel Carey

**Attendance:** Paul Jenner

**Hospitality:** Ernie Meyer

**Equip & Photos:** Bill Appleton

**Scribe:** Barry Stafford

**Host & Thanks:** Bede Brittenden

**Speaker:** Judy Lawley (ADG) Polio  
and All That

**Thought:**

## Snaps from the night



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**Cop:** You were going fast.  
**Me:** I was just trying to keep up with traffic.  
**Cop:** There isn't any.  
**Me:** I know! That's how far behind I am.

