

MDCA Community Wellbeing Sub-committee report for March 2024 /monthly meetings

Māpua Willing Wheels (MWW)

The Nelson Tasman Community Transport Trusts (NTCTT) which is in partnership with MDCA to manage this service is currently updating its strategic plan and considering options relating to the Māpua Willing Wheels Service which (although there have been a number of enquiries relating to rides) has not had a single booked ride over the past month .

- There has been some consideration of:
- moving the focus to transporting local passengers to the e-bus local bus-stops in the township
- keeping access open to the MWW booking site .

Other local transport services being developed/under consideration

- Opening a Tapawera Service – planned for later this month using the NTCTT bus previously operating from Wakefield
- Servicing “outlying” areas of Māpua; Motueka and Wakefield to ensure that those not on a public transport route are enabled to access those routes or offered a personalized service (

We continue to look forward to ongoing co-operation between MDCA & NTCTT s to continue development of a strong and integrated district- wide community transport service .

Elena Meredith (MDCA rep)

Māpua Community Hub

Māpua Community Wellbeing Trust (MCWT) and Māpua Community Wellbeing Working Group (MCHWG) celebrated this month the opening of the local District Health Nurse Services local clinics in the front offices of the Hills Community Church. These rooms are rented by Te Whatu Ora and potential clients need referrals from their local doctors to set up and attend appointments there .

For more detailed information (and photographs) see the March 2024 edition of *Coastal News*

The Trust is hopeful that access to more clinic times can be arranged and (along with the Working Group) sees this as the first of what we hope will be many more locally located services to occupy the planned Community Hub across the road

Elena Meredith (Māpua Community Hub Working Group Chairperson)