



This photo is of the studio units on the south side of the house looking into the courtyard. As you can see, they get fabulous sun even in winter. They will each have a small patio outside the sliding doors with a screen between the studios. All 14 Studios face north which means they will all be nice sunny rooms.

## KATIKATI ABBEYFIELD HOUSE – Newsletter

### July 2025

Wow, June seemed to just disappear and its July already. The Committee is busy working on all the tasks to complete the house, get setup ready to run the house and for residents to move in as soon as possible after we get the Code of Compliance.

#### **Moving forward to the opening of the house**

We have a completion date for the house for the beginning of October. With the cladding now completed, the builders are working inside putting up the linings. Moreover, finalising outside drains and all sorts of other bits and pieces that need to happen at this stage of the build.

Once the builders have completed the hard landscaping, we will be planting out the gardens, although there is minimal space around the house it will still enable us to have a lovely garden. Ally from Ellite Garden Design and Landscaping along with Everdien de Graaf have created a wonderful plan for our garden which will include the fabulous Stakes created by Katikati Art Society members. It will also have a water feature which has been donated. We are currently sourcing plants, compost and mulch for the garden.

We need volunteers, lots of volunteers to help with the planting and setup of the gardens. Contact Carole if you would like to be involved. We will provide plenty of food and drinks and be extremely grateful for any amount of time you are able to give to help. The planting will be under Ally's supervision.

We have a small team of three, two Committee members and one community person who are working through the applications from people who would like to be residents in the house. It involves completing a full application form, meeting with the team for an interview, and a medical certificate. The medical information is provided to our Honorary Doctor who reviews it and ensures that the applicant would be able to live independently in the house. The medical information is confidential to our Doctor. All successful applicants will be notified by the end of September.

This is not an easy task, as it must be remembered that the 14 residents will in effect be flatting together and it is important that they are compatible and able to get along with others in a shared environment.

We are still accepting applications from possible residents who would like to move into the house once it opens. We will continue to accept applications for residency in the house so when a studio becomes available in the future, we can offer it to an applicant. If you are interested or want more details, please contact Isabel on [abbeyfieldwbopapplications@gmail.com](mailto:abbeyfieldwbopapplications@gmail.com) Or text 027 351 3444

Once we have Code of Compliance, we will be able to have people move into the house. Hopefully this will be mid-October.

We are currently advertising for Housekeepers - a full time housekeeper who works five days and a part timer who does two. We are happy to negotiate specific hours. They will prepare the meals and care for the shared areas in the house.

We are also preparing for whiteware and furniture to go into the house in the shared communal areas. Residents will furnish their studio with their own furniture and treasures. We are also finalising furniture and other requirements to furnish the shared communal areas.

Once the house is built, the Committee, who has worked hard to raise the funds to build the house and has done everything required to get us to this stage, will become the Executive Committee responsible for the Governance of the house. From the Executive Committee there will be a sub-committee who will be responsible for the day-to-day running of the house, it will include a House Manager, Applications Officer, Compliance Officer, and a Funding/Promotion Officer. This committee will report monthly to the Executive Committee. All positions will be voluntary.

The Executive Committee are responsible for setting the society's strategic direction and providing leadership and vision to ensure the house is fully occupied and providing a quality service to residents. Committee members ensure the society is solvent, well run and delivering the objectives for which it was set up.

We have begun planning for the Official Opening of the house and will let people know when that will be once we have finalised details. At this stage it will be in November.

One of the big tasks that Committee members, Janet and Pauline have taken on is to prepare a list of all the items we need for our kitchen. Remembering the Abbeyfield Kitchen needs to function like a commercial kitchen with the housekeeper preparing 14 meals twice a day, it is important that we have the right things in the kitchen so the housekeeper can do her/his job. We also have to abide by the Food Safety legislation and once a year we will be audited.

Our Kitchen Gift list has been a popular way for people to donate items. We want to ensure that we get top quality utensils, appliances and equipment so that it will last so we do not have to constantly be replacing items. It is going to be a big task to resource all those items and set up the kitchen.

### **Another Brick in the Wall and Katikati Sunday Farmers Market**



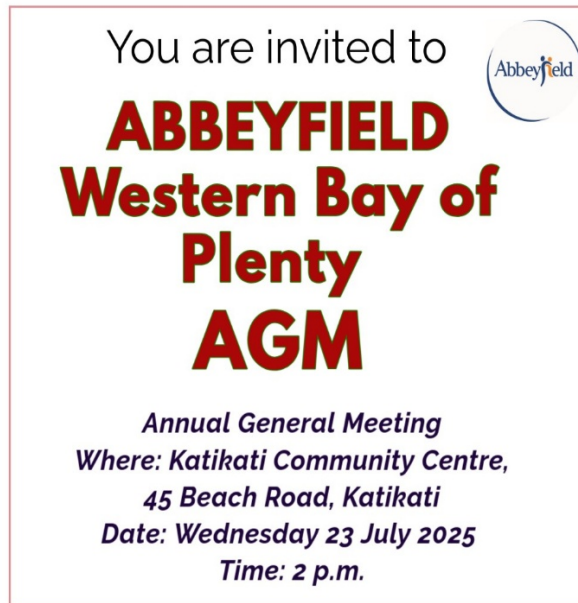
We have had volunteers sitting at Woolworths and Four-Square selling Bricks for numerous days. We have had a great response with over \$5500 sold. The team are also selling them at the Katikati Sunday Farmers Market where we have Pauline's fabulous preserves on sale. If you would like to put a brick on the wall, call in and see the team at the Sunday Market or check the information below.

We have a great team of people who have volunteered to run the market every Sunday until the end of September. It is an excellent fundraiser adding to the final funds we need for Abbeyfield. Thank you to the volunteers donating their time to run the Abbeyfield stall.

If you have any jars and lids you are welcome to drop them off at the Market. Pauline is particularly desperate for lids if you have any without jars.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Looking forward to seeing you there and having a catch up with the build and everything Abbeyfield Katikati.



Warmest regards to you all.

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# **ANOTHER BRICK IN THE WALL**

**FOR A DONATION OF \$25  
YOU CAN HELP US PUT BRICKS ON  
THE WALLS AT KATIKATI  
ABBEYFIELD HOUSE. PLEASE SPONSOR  
A BRICK AND HELP BUILD THE  
HOUSE**

**GO IN THE DRAW TO WIN A PRIZE, THE MORE BRICKS  
DONATED, THE MORE CHANCES**

**Bank a/c Abbeyfield Western Bay of Plenty Inc  
38-9019-0720156-00  
Ref Bricks**

**Contact: Natasja fundabbeyfieldwbop@gmail.com  
or 0273487748 your name and contact number**

# Gifts for Abbeyfield kitchen

Glasses..(x30).....	\$ 159.95
Baking Ingredients Containers.....	\$ 250.00
Food Covers (x2).....	\$ 48.98
Serving Dishes.(x5).....	\$ 139.96
25 person Wiltshire Cutlery Set.....	\$ 319.96
Food Processor.....	\$ 559.99
Casserole Dish (x2).....	\$ 131.98
Slow Cooker.....	\$ 189.99
Water Jugs (x4).....	\$ 99.98
Baking Tins....(x3).....	\$ 99.87
Sandwich maker.....	\$ 189.99
<del>Wiltshire Roasting Dish.....</del>	<del>\$ 39.99</del>
Salad Bowls. (x4).....	\$ 189.96
Breville Cake Maker.....	\$ 529.99
25 person Maxwell Dinner Sets.....	\$ 999.95
Colanders (x2).....	\$ 69.90
Assortment of Knives & Block.....	\$ 499.00
Serving Trays.(x3).....	\$109.92
Wooden/Glass Cutting Boards (x3).....	\$ 99.87
<del>Placemats (x20).....</del>	<del>\$ 194.50</del>
<del>8 cup &amp; 3 cup Coffee Plungers.....</del>	<del>\$ 84.98</del>
<del>Zip Electric Fry Pan.....</del>	<del>\$ 199.99</del>
<del>Kitchen Scissors (x2).....</del>	<del>\$ 37.98</del>
<del>Stainless Steel Cookware (9 piece).....</del>	<del>\$ 599.00</del>
<del>Russell Hob 4 slice Toaster.....</del>	<del>\$ 199.99</del>
<del>Microwave.....</del>	<del>\$ 439.99</del>
<del>Tea towels (20).....</del>	<del>\$ 79.98</del>

Buy a gift for the Abbeyfield Kitchen, Contact Carole  
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