

NEWSLETTER - MAY 2019

Kia ora koutou - greetings from **NZ Navigator Trust!**

Spreading the word

Organisation number 2,060 registered with NZ Navigator this week! Word-of-mouth really helps us share NZ Navigator with other NZ organisations.



If you would like to include something about NZ Navigator and CommunityNet Aotearoa in your newsletter, web news or publication, get in touch with us at info@nznttrust.org.nz.

What's it like for you?

From time to time we like to check in to make sure our tools and websites continue to benefit community organisations.

We'd love to hear your thoughts - you'll find our short survey here: <https://tinyurl.com/y2pd4t7y>

Goal answers - what can you aim for?

Your NZ Navigator report not only describes the findings from your assessment, it also includes resources, goals and introduces a plan to help you and your team to work on your goals.

This example from an assessment report shows a question, your answer and an achievable goal:

Question	Your Single Assessment [29 June 2017] answers	Goal answer
2. Does your organisation know its purpose?	Viable We know our purpose and what we want to achieve and set goals that will help us get there.	Successful We know our purpose and what we want to achieve, and set clear goals in accordance with our mission and values, and are working toward our vision.

Use these suggested goals to talk with your team about potential solutions. The resource links in the report provide a great starting point but you can also find more resources at [CommunityNet Aotearoa](#).

Keeping it real – the grassroots perspective

NZ Navigator was at the recent Charity Law, Accounting, and Regulation Conference 2019 held at Te Papa, Wellington. Attendees were an interesting combination of leaders from charities along with lawyers, accountants, academics, and public servants who work with and for the charitable sector.

Governance in the community sector is a hot topic now and NZ Navigator was there to contribute a perspective from the grass roots: small and medium size community organisations who get on with the doing.

At NZ Navigator we think it's important to be practical and realistic. In summary, we said:

- Good governance is appropriate governance - one way of doing governance does not suit every organisation.
- Busy people need simple, relevant tools and resources to support them to do their work.
- Democracy and self-determination are at the heart of the work we do to support the sector.

For anyone working with the community sector our advice is simple: *"Meet people where they are at and start with what matters to them."*

You can see the Governance panel discussion here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2gx3G6kCT80>. Other conference presentations can be viewed here: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLviAG74MoX_sdr1yuLYipg

Missing the warm summer days? Winter is a great time to get your team working together - start with a self-assessment then move on to plan how you will work with the results and achieve your goals.



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