



## SISTER CITIES CONFERENCE 2011 - PROGRAMME (28 March 2011)

WEDNESDAY 27 APRIL	
5.00	Coaches leave Copthorne Solway for welcoming function
5.30	<b>MAYORAL WELCOME</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Powhiri , official welcome by Masterton Mayor Garry Daniell, and speakers</li> <li>• Viewing of Aratoi Art Museum exhibits and Wool Shed, including a shearing demonstration</li> <li>• <i>Taste the Wairarapa</i> food and wine tastings</li> </ul>
7.00	Coaches return to Copthorne Solway; Dinner own arrangements
THURSDAY 28 APRIL	
8.25am	Train leaves Wellington Station for Masterton, for delegates arriving during the morning (self funding); ETA Masterton 10am; Copthorne Solway courtesy car or coach pick up at station if required
9.00 – 9.45	<b>RELATIONSHIPS ARE EVERYTHING</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keynote speaker TBC (sponsored by ANZ)</li> <li>• Plenary session</li> </ul>
9.45 – 10.00	<i>Sister Cities in Action vignette 1</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “An international network in action”, Sue White, Rotorua DC</li> </ul>
10.00 – 10.30	Morning tea
10.30 – 11.15	<b>SISTER CITIES FROM BOTH SIDES NOW</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• John Allen (MFAT)</li> </ul>
11.15 – 12.30pm	<b>WORKSHOPS</b> <b>Sharing Experiences: what has and has not worked</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Tourism (led by New Plymouth DC)</li> <li>2. Trade (led by NZTE)</li> <li>3. Education and exchanges</li> <li>4. Sports, Culture &amp; Events</li> <li>5. Concurrent Chinese language sessions (subject to demand)</li> </ol>
Concurrent sessions, delegates to choose two	
12.30 – 1.30	Lunch – <b>sponsored by New Zealand Trade &amp; Enterprise</b>
1.30 – 1.45	<i>Sister Cities in Action vignette 2</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Building an amazing sister city event”; Masterton DC and Changchun (China)</li> </ul>
1.45 – 3.15	<b>WORKSHOPS (as above)</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Tourism (led by New Plymouth DC)</li> <li>7. Trade (led by NZTE)</li> <li>8. Education and exchanges</li> <li>9. Sports, Culture &amp; Events</li> <li>1. Concurrent Chinese language session (subject to demand)</li> </ol>
Same format as above	
3.15 – 3.45	Afternoon tea
3.45 - 4.15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Workshop summary - Building on the emergent themes</li> </ul>
4.15 – 4.30	<i>Sister Cities in Action vignette presentation 3</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Time Out in New Zealand programme for Japanese families”; Jon Doherty (Terrace Downs)</li> </ul>
5.30	<b>MYSTERY EVENING EXCURSION</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Delegates asked to be on coaches at Copthorne Solway by 5.30pm</li> <li>• Casual dress, includes dinner and entertainment</li> </ul>

<b>FRIDAY 29 APRIL</b>	
9.00 – 9.15am	<b>Sister Cities in Action vignette 4</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Featherston and Messines – “Just good friends”</li> <li>• Adrienne Staples, Mayor, South Wairarapa District Council</li> </ul>
9.15 – 10.15am	<b>MEASURING SUCCESS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• David Hancock (Hutt City) and Yvonne Tatton (Tauranga) report on their measurement of success and value</li> <li>• To include challenges to participants for discussion</li> </ul>
10.15 – 10.40	Morning tea
10.40 - 10.55	<b>Sister Cities in Action vignette presentation 5</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Ngati Porou (Spanish) Paniora; Judy Livingston – Gisborne DC</li> </ul>
10.55 – 11.30	<b>WHERE TO NOW?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Young participant presentation from the parallel youth development programme</li> </ul>
11.30 – 12.00	<b>WHERE TO NOW continued ... an international perspective</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HE Ambassador David Huebner, USA</li> <li>• The case for international friendship</li> </ul>
12 – 12.15	CLAIR sponsors presentation
12.15 – 1.15	Lunch – <b>sponsored by CLAIR</b>
1.15 - 2.30	<b>SISTER CITIES: Connected, Relevant, Rewarding?</b> Looking to the future, these sessions are chaired by John Hayes, Wairarapa MP and former diplomat. <b>Part 1</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A panel representing Australia (Auckland), Japan (Wellington) and China (CPAFFC) will tackle some of the big questions facing their sister cities. Issues to include sustainability and leveraging opportunities now and in future</li> </ul> <b>Part 2</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bruce Gadd (NZTE/Rugby World Cup) will look at how Sister City networks can leverage international events</li> </ul>
2.30 – 5.00	<b>SCNZ STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Where are we going? How will we get there?</li> </ul>
3.00 – 3.15	Afternoon tea (working tea)
2.30 – 5.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SCNZ strategic planning discussion</li> <li>• AGM</li> </ul>
6.30 or 7pm	<b>AIR NEW ZEALAND AWARDS DINNER AND ROYAL WEDDING FEAST</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Start with pre-dinner drinks</li> <li>• Royal Wedding Feast and entertainment</li> <li>• Awards presentations</li> </ul>
10.30pm	Copthorne Solway to provide room and large screen TV for wedding watchers if required (optional; drinks to own account)
<b>SATURDAY 30 APRIL</b>	
7.30am	Coach leaves Copthorne Solway for Masterton station; Wellington train departs 7.50am (self-funding, pre-booked)
9.30	Coach leaves Copthorne Solway for Wellington airport, approximate journey time 1.75 hours (self-funding, pre-booked)
9.30	Optional local tours depart Copthorne Solway (self-funding, pre-booked) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wairarapa Grape Escape (full day)</li> <li>• Wairarapa Garden Escape (full day)</li> <li>• Vintage Aviator (11am – 1pm)</li> </ul>