

# **REPORT TO NZAP COUNCIL, APRIL 2023**

## **From the Honorary Secretary**

Kia ora koutou,

It has been a relatively quiet period over the summer, following a flurry of activity late last year.

Luisa and I attended an information webinar on the upcoming changes to the Incorporated Societies Act. The webinar was run by the Companies Office of MBIE, who continue to send information updates.

All incorporated societies, of which NZAP is one, will need to re-register with the Companies Office between October 2023 when the new Act comes into force, and April 2026. As part of that re-registration process, our Constitution will need amending slightly, for example there is now a requirement to describe a disputes resolution process. Other changes are likely to be minor.

Early in December we were able to mark Luisa's first year with NZAP with a review conversation. In preparation I had sought responses from various Council members with whom Luisa works closely, and the comments were very similar: how warm and approachable Luisa is, how efficient and helpful. Thanks to Luisa for a great first year!

Luisa took the initiative to contact all NZ psychotherapy training providers to find out answers to the questions she often receives. How the training is delivered, costs, whether trainees are able to be registered having completed the course. Luisa received responses from them all and has produced a document which will be very useful to have on hand, particularly for people enquiring about training from outside Tāmaki Makaurau.

The recent storms and flooding in Aotearoa's north prompted Luisa and John O'Connor thinking about NZAP archives and their storage, to ensure they are kept dry. Luisa has ordered filing cabinets for storage and John continues to generously house the archives.

Sadly, in February we marked the passing of two longstanding members of NZAP, Margy Pearl, and Hinewirangi Kohu Morgan. Both contributed much in their individual ways, to the psychotherapy community and beyond. Our thoughts are with their respective communities in particular – the psychosynthesis community and Waka Oranga.

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