

Workshop 2F “A Panel to Explore the Role that Central Government Departments Can Play to Enable CED” invited Panel members from Central Government, MSD, and TPK Charities Commission.

Issue:

- Support for CED/Social Enterprise is ad hoc and unconscious unless there is proactive support from the top.
- Everything is generated towards the labor market outcome/employment level especially with Work and Income.
- Central government will provide funds for physical infrastructure such as tourist cycle ways in the North, but not resource CED to accomplish this.
- Silo nationality of central government that makes it very frustrating to work with – pass the buck – CED is an integrated activity.
- Silos are also in the community sector – need integrated approach to respond to.
- Need a bottom up approach as well as from the top down.

Challenges:

- How to leverage responses across Central government to CED and Social Enterprise. Central government needs to recognize validity of and be responsive to CED. Currently little understanding and intentional.
- Change the conversation – take charge of our conversations.

Actions and next steps:

- Use local boards (now co-governance boards) to facilitate integrating the responses, help central government to connect the dots.
- Cycle ways; try TPK Walter Walls for support.
- Use strategic plans as important document to wave at the government department.
- One stop shop approach needed.

- Great opportunity when government in disconnect, go to people and build responsibilities with key people, don't waste time on trying to change systems, be careful what you wish for.
- Opportunity now to work locally, challenge central government.
- Use umbrella community organization as facilitators/connectors for community led approaches.

Charities Commission have a dual role; regulation and education.

Social Development Outcomes are:

- Higher employment
- Healthy families
- Resilient centers

Central Government is not that flexible, very bureaucratic and slow to respond and not into taking risks.

Questions:

Does MSD support contracts with multiple outcomes? Disconnect between the big picture and social service delivery; despite the intent get caught in the detail. Not responsive enough, communities are really the navigators. TPK runs Maori Business Facilitation sensor in the field of individual deveelopement support. Message don't wait for government, policy analysis can make any picture look good, shake language and culture to build relationships. \$4.1 billion income retired from charitable organizations with Charities Commission. Need to be advised by – community led. There is an unconscious history of CED support in government organizations. Community Enterprise Groups and Enterprising Communities are more setup to support innovative social enterprisers that are not sustained by the government.