

To whom it may concern

I would really like to see our council supporting educational cloth nappy workshops about cloth nappies and sustainable parenting. The Nappy Lady runs workshops around the country for different councils and helps educate parents about the benefits of Cloth Nappies and gives them the right tools and information so they can be successful using cloth nappies, even if it is only part-time.

Here are some examples of what other councils are doing.

Council Schemes and workshops with The Nappy Lady...

For the past 6 years The Nappy Lady has been working with many councils and organizations around the country to introduce Cloth Nappy Schemes and workshops to encourage more parents to give modern cloth nappies a go.

Using Just 1 cloth nappy per day can prevent up to 1000 nappies per child from entering our landfills for the duration they are in nappies.

Auckland Council

The Cloth Nappy Know How classes in Auckland are based on 'The Nappy Lady' workshop with the goal to inform parents about their modern cloth nappy choices.

Parents are given a basic introduction to modern cloth nappies and how they work. They can have their questions answered and have the opportunity to check out lots of different nappies.

At the end of the course, parents receive a cloth nappy trial pack (valued at over \$80) for \$15 that they can keep.

Interested parents or caregivers phone the Council's 24hr Call Center to make a booking.

Raglan

Parents come to 'The Nappy Lady' workshop and receive advice, support and tips on using cloth nappies. They are provided with information about how to use cloth nappies in the most environmentally friendly way.

The parents pay \$15 to attend and a local trust has funded a free trial pack for parents who attend

Tauranga

In Tauranga, parents attend a waste free parenting workshop and at the end of the workshop they receive a pack of nappies valued at \$60 that has been funded by the Tauranga District council

Each workshop can have up to 40 couples and each couple pays \$20 to attend

Oamaru

In Oamaru, the council has subsidized parents into a starter pack of cloth nappies

Parents go in to the local council customer services team and purchase a pack of cloth nappies for \$20. Each pack has a value of around \$120

Dunedin

In Dunedin, parents can attend a workshop for \$20 and at the end of the workshop they receive a pack of nappies valued at \$100

Up to 60 couples per workshop and there are 2 workshops per year. Included in the workshop topics is a whole section on waste free parenting which is based on assisting waste management at home.

Queenstown Lakes District – including Wanaka

Parents can pay just \$10 at customer services and get a pack of nappies valued at \$140 to keep

Each pack has a combination of nappy brands and styles specifically picked for Queenstown weather conditions.

It would be great if our council could offer a scheme like this for our local parents. The Nappy lady has a website and I know she would like the opportunity to talk to you about what she does. Her email address is info@thenappylady.co.nz