## **NEW ZEALAND HOME BIRTH ASSOCIATION**

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Dear Brenda.

I may well be doubling up by sending you this material, but I wanted to make sure that you saw all this.

I have enclosed our branch's reply to the circulated material from Nelson regarding the conference. This has gone to all branches. We are hoping that the pre-conference meeting will go ahead as planned with a goodresult. We are sick to death of all this business taking up our time and energy locally and would like to see the end of it.

Ann Sharplin has been in Christchurch to deliver a baby for a friend, and we met for a chat the other day. She will make contact with the Nelson group to see if she can make any changes to their attitude.

I hope that branches will re-read your explanation on last years A.G.M. remit in the June National Newsletter, which ought to back up our ideas and reasons for wanting to get rid of the constitution.

Things are very quiet here at present - Xmas lull. Lots of babies though including one for me - a daughter born on 23rd January. It was so lovely at home I am filed with enthusiasm again.

We all wish you the best with all the battles up there - the Strategic Plan for closing hospitals and suppressing that Rosenblatt report - just incredible that it could happen. It all goes to reinforce how different local situations are.

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Best Wishes.

Allison Locke.