

# AUCKLAND PUBLIC POLICY SEMINAR SERIES



## **Why Grandma is my Landlord: Population Ageing, Taxes, and their Implications for the Housing Market**

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**Tuesday 18 May, 12.30 - 2.00 pm**

*Council Chamber, Auckland Town Hall, 301 Queen St  
(entrance under the clocktower)*

### **Abstract**

*This seminar examines how current tax structures combined with increasing longevity may be behind some of the changes in the housing market experienced in the last two decades, such as rising prices, the increasing size of houses, and falling homeownership rates among young people. It argues that a fundamental rethink of the tax system and possibly the pension system may be needed to ensure people enjoy the benefits of increased longevity when they are young, as well as when they are old.*



### **Biography**

*Andrew Coleman is a senior fellow at Motu Economic and Public Policy Research and was previously a senior adviser at the Reserve Bank of New Zealand. He earlier worked as an Assistant Professor of Economics at the University of Michigan, where he taught economic development and international finance. He has also worked at The New Zealand Treasury and the United Building Society. Andrew has a PhD from Princeton University.*

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