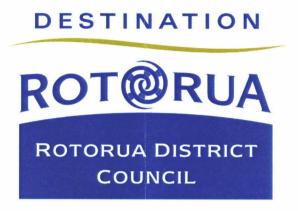
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# **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

## **Between**

Rotorua District Council (RDC)

and

Rotorua Community Youth Centre Trust (RCYCT)

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## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

#### ROTORUA DISTRICT COUNCIL AND ROTORUA COMMUNITY YOUTH CENTRE TRUST

#### OBJECTIVE/PURPOSE OF DOCUMENT

- This Memorandum of Understanding acknowledges the Rotorua Community Youth Centre Trust's (RCYCT) vision to create a safe, welcoming and vibrant space that responds to the changing needs of young people in Rotorua District.
- Contributing to this vision, this Memorandum of Understanding outlines the process by which RDC and the RCYCT will co-operate towards the achievement of a shared goal which is aimed at the creation of a safe, welcoming and vibrant space that responds to the changing needs of young people in Rotorua District.
- 3. The Parties to this Memorandum of Understanding recognize that they need to act strategically and effectively and to think long-term in an attempt to facilitate the youth in a sustainable manner with the skills and ability to contribute to the social, cultural, economic and environmental well-being of the society as a whole.
- 4. This Memorandum also signals the intentions of both parties to co-operate in the development and achievement of their common goals that will contribute to improved opportunities for all young people in the Rotorua District.

### BACKGROUND

- 5. The RCYCT has leased a building called "Da Bomb Shelter" for nearly 10 years. This building has been utilised to create a safe and welcoming environment which meets the changing needs of young people.
- 6. Since 2003 the building has been for sale and despite attempts by RCYCT to purchase the building, they have not been successful. This in part was due to the value placed on the building by the vendor.
- 7. RCYCT made a successful submission to the 2008 Rotorua District Council Annual Plan. The outcome of this submission was an allocation made by Council to grant 50% of expenditure up to \$500,000.00 as a matching grant.

## PRINCIPLES OF APPROACH

8. RDC and RCYCT are committed to building an effective partnership to achieve the goal of creating a safe, welcoming and vibrant space that responds to the changing needs of young people in the Rotorua District.

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## **UNDERTAKINGS OF THE PARTIES**

- 9. RDC and RCYCT will work together to:
  - Facilitate the purchase of the building currently owned by YWCA and located on Te Ngae Road (The RDC will purchase the building from Council funds provided that 50% of the purchase price is to be contributed from RCYCT towards the refurbishment of the building)
  - The refurbishment / upgrading of the purchased building (To be done on a 50/50%financial contribution basis by two involved parties)
  - Extend the building to the needs and satisfaction of the RCYCT, provided that the total contribution by RDC to the purchase / refurbishment / upgrading and extension of the building will not exceed \$500,000.00.
- 10. A lease agreement will be prepared by both parties to the satisfaction of both parties prior to refurbishing and /or occupation of the building at Te Ngae Road.

## PARTNERSHIP PROCESS

- 11. RDC and RCYCT are committed to working in partnership and agree to ensure processes are in place to facilitate this positive working relationship.
- 12. This process will include meetings held at least quarterly between representatives of RDC and RCYCT.

## 13. <u>Disputes</u>

When issues arise where both parties are unable to reach agreement, a neutral third party mediator agreeable to both RDC and RCYCT will be engaged to assist with the resolution.

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## **EXECUTION**

The COMMON SEAL of the ROTORUA DISTRICT COUNCIL as Lessor was hereto affixed in the presence of:

Mayor

Chief Executive

The COMMON SEAL of the ROTORUA YOUTH CENTRE TRUST as Tenant was affixed in the presence of:

