

Our vision is to create an urban cohousing neighbourhood, which promotes social and environmental sustainability, based on respect and shared responsibilities.

- Through robust eco-design and layout establish a cohesive community, which fosters wellbeing, diversity and the right use of resources.
- Develop and foster a thriving living environment, which uses clear communication, decision-making and conflict resolution guidelines that promote tolerance, safety, respect and co-operation.

### **Living in a Cohousing Neighbourhood**

We expect everyone living in Toiora High Street Cohousing to abide by our cohousing Kaupapa:

*Common Facilities* - shared by all, maintained through workgroups and working bees

*Resident Management* - members manage the property together

*Toiora Meetings* - regular Toiora High Street Cohousing Group meetings attended by at least one adult from each household

*Shared decision-making* - by consensus, using Group Decision-Making Process

### **Joining Process for Tenants**

- In a cohousing neighbourhood we respect the privacy of everybody's personal home but mingle in the common house, workshop, laundry, grounds and garden. Get the 'feel' of cohousing life by talking to cohousers. Come along to a shared meal, and at a meeting watch how we use coloured cards for decision making. *Creating Cohousing*, by McCamant and Durrett, is essential reading (available from the public library or from us), and check out YouTube and TED Talks.

- In order to understand our neighbourhood activities, we strongly encourage you to attend an 'induction' meeting to learn about cohousing in general, and the expectations and opportunities that are part of Toiora High Street Cohousing in particular. Our cohousing kaupapa includes residents sharing in decision-making, participating in working bees and taking a turn at cooking communal meals. You are warmly invited to a shared meal, a Toiora meeting or a working bee, to experience life at Toiora.

- If you decide to rent one of the Toiora houses, you will be required to sign, in addition to your tenancy agreement,

- the Toiora High Street Cohousing Body Corporate rules

- our Toiora High Street Cohousing Membership Agreement

- our Child Safety Policy.

All residents are expected to commit to cohousing principles. Once you are living at Toiora we look forward to you using all facilities\* and participating in our cohousing activities.

\* In you're interested in using the EV charging facility, ask us about it

For more information about anything Toiora, just ask!!

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