



FUNDING OF LANDCARE CENTRE FOR COMMUNITY NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT:

**Agreement Between Townsville City Council and
Townsville-Thuringowa Landcare Association Inc. on**

Project Purpose: Funding for Landcare Centre, Metway Arcade, Flinders Mall, to provide centralised office for coordination, facilitation and operation of community natural resource management (CNRM) projects.

Role: Centralised office for use by community groups involved in natural resource management.

Tasks:

- ❑ To improve Council's relationship with the community through the process of natural resource management in line with TCC policies on environmental protection.
- ❑ To provide public access to information and advice on CNRM issues.
- ❑ To provide office facilities for project officers employed by community natural resource management projects.
- ❑ To provide facilities for use by CNRM groups (including and not limited to Natural Resource Environmental Forum (NAREF), Landcare groups, revegetation groups).
- ❑ To assist effective coordination, facilitation and administration of community natural resource management projects.
- ❑ To provide a forum for liaising, linking and communicating with state government agencies, industry, and environmental/community groups (including and not limited to Landcare subgroups, Local Marine Advisory Committee

(LMAC), Ross Island Volunteers for Estuarine Rejuvenation (RIVER) and North Queensland Conservation Council (NQCC) on CNRM issues

- To work with Townsville City Council staff and councillors to establish good communications with Council, the community and other relevant LGA's, State Government agency's and the community.

Reports

- To Management Committee Townsville/Thuringowa Landcare Association on contract implementation.
- To Townsville City Council on facility usage (eg staff, meetings, community), financial account.
(c. six monthly or as otherwise agreed)

Responsibilities:

- To assist Council in creating strong community natural resources management linkage.
- To facilitate a joint agency/council/community approach to CNRM development (as per local Agenda 21).
- To assist Council, the Association, other environment groups, and the general community to understand natural resources management and funding processes.
- To promote Council's Landcare & Catchment Management Program.

Community natural resource management is concerned with (as relevant to contract with TCC):

- Involving local government (draft MOU State Govt and LGAQ)
- Community, Business and Government interaction on natural resource management issues
- Implementation and development of environmental strategies that identify
 1. environmental and conservation values
 2. priorities (clearly described)
 3. action plans (implementable and functional)
- Funding opportunities and integrated resource allocation

- Community group synergy, work priorities and interactions

Review

- Contract will be reviewed annually (or with agreement of both parties)

Payment Details

\$9875 GST exc. (\$10862.50 GST inc.) in total

Submit invoices quarterly, with report

Associated administrative costs are to be borne by TThLCA

Signed:

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Steve McDermott
Chair
Townsville Thuringowa Landcare Association Inc.

Greg Bruce
Manager
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