

Information about Confluence Whanganui

Providing coworking & collaboration in Whanganui since 2015

The values behind everything that happens at Confluence

Community, Collaboration, and Critical Thinking are the three values that we encourage visitors to, and users of, Confluence to embrace. One way we achieve this is through everything that happens here being tested against each of these values for a commitment and alignment with of all three. The interpretation of these values forms part of our discussion with people coming into the space, either through policy and procedure for our coworkers, or in collaboration with our event hosts or organisers.

What we do: Coworking

Located in the heart of Whanganui city we provide desks, chairs and spaces within a modern comfortable building, featuring plenty of room, natural daylight, great views, and great access.

Like an increasing number of regional centers, along with the main cities around the world, Confluence is a coworking, shared office space that is open to coworkers from independent workers, small businesses, remote workers, entrepreneurs, start-ups, creatives, and other interested locals.

What we do: Events and workshops

Coworking is about more than having a space to work however. We support coworkers to collaborate with each other and extend that collaboration to the wider community as well.

In 2019 we're continuing to develop this idea through hosting events and workshops under our the strapline of 'Helping people work in new ways'. More information about these can be found at www.confluence.kiwi/events

Business biography

Started in 2015, Confluence Whanganui Limited is a registered limited liability company based in Whanganui. There are currently two directors (Melita Farley and Kevin Double) who own all shares. The company grew from an initiative started within Double Farley Limited; also owned by Melita and Kevin. Double Farley are managing the accounts and daily business of Confluence Whanganui Limited as a trading name, so invoicing will be via them.

The goal of Confluence is to facilitate collaboration in Whanganui. This includes providing a collaborative coworking space, hosting collaborative events, and connecting individuals and organisations. We believe that Whanganui has huge potential, and that collaboration, innovation, and creativity can help create high quality, innovative, and sustainable employment in our region.

What can collaboration and coworking look like?

While we have a coworking space, we think it vital for collaboration and innovation to extend out into our community. What this look like will depend on who is involved, what is needed, and how people are choosing to work together. It might include:

- A group of Whanganui businesses and organisations working together on a project
- Hosting events that bring the community together to talk/learn/solve problems
- Education and development opportunities
- Referrals between individuals or organisations

- Businesses and organisations working together to create new business or employment opportunities
- Community problem-solving events
- Collaborative support for businesses at all stages
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Basic information about our space

Where we have a published cost for a service or event at Confluence you'll find them listed below.

Description	Applicable cost or amount
Daily coworking	\$27
Weekly coworking	\$80
Monthly coworking	\$395
Facilities and space usage other than coworking*	Often no charge or low cost

Events and workshops that meet our values statement

To help you think about how our main space can be organised for events or workshops here are some example usage and capacities:

Description	Capacity
Whanganui room with group tables and chairs	20
Whanganui room with one large table and chairs	16
Whanganui room with row seating facing a speaker	50
Whanganui room with row seating and projected screen with presenter	40
Whanganui room with row seating and front panel seating on sofas	30

In addition to the Whanganui room we also have a smaller Eddy room for up to 6 people to occupy for meetings or Skype calls etc. This room is located at the other end of our Confluence space and is to the side of the coworking desk area.

Fundraiser or requested screenings at Thoughtful Thursdays

Here is an overview of what we provide and any charges for this service. Please contact us to start a conversation if you wish to find out more.

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| * Research to identify a title | : No charge |
| * Administration associated with licensing | : No charge |
| * Public Performance Licence on your behalf | : Varies by film, but is normally around \$140NZD including GST |
| * Fundraising returns offered (generally) | : Net Box office returns (max around \$300) |
| * Film types we currently screen | : Documentary |
| * Format of screening copy | : Minimum high definition BluRay or similar |
| * Scheduling details | : Thoughtful Thursdays scheduled |
| * Availability | : Thursdays throughout 2020 available |
| * Ticket price | : \$10 per person - or free. No concessions |
| * Food and drink | : Free water provided |
| * Venue restrictions | : No alcohol, no smoking or vaping inside or within 7m of our doorways, and no non-prescription drugs allowed on site |
| * Accessibility | : Lift to flat floors and wide doorways, plus wheelchair accessible toilet facilities within the building and onsite parking by arrangement |