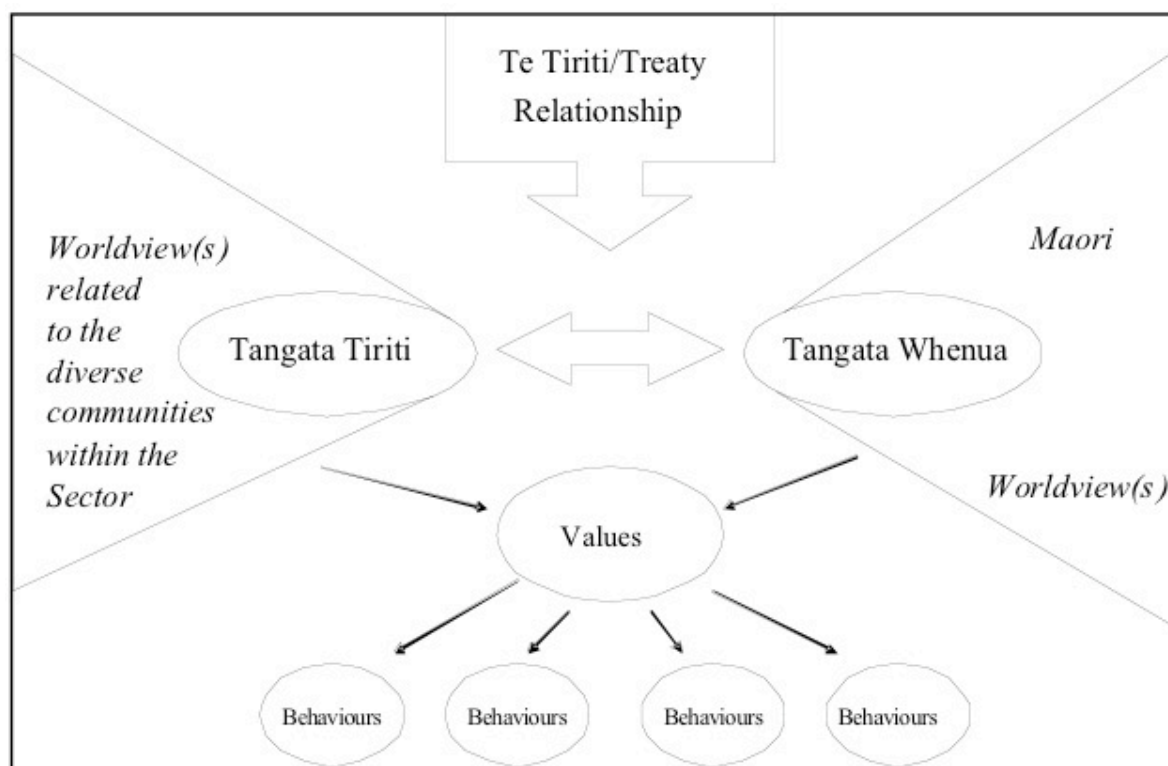


## INFORMATION FOR '2-HOUSE' TREATY MODEL

### Background

- 1999 newly elected government recognised that community sector was under considerable strain; Minister of Community & Voluntary Sector appointed
- 2000 Community & Voluntary Sector Working Party created to identify way forward
- 2001 Communities and Government: Potential for Partnership – Whakatōpū Whakaaro<sup>1</sup> report issued, summarising community sector concerns, with the first recommendation being establishment of a Treaty Commission plus 'phase two' recommendations to support community groups responsiveness to Treaty and to address equity issues for Maori community groups; Statement of Government Intentions for an Improved Community-Government Relationship (SOGI) was signed, including government commitment to "recognise and respect [and apply] the principles of the Treaty" in its relationships with community groups; establishment of Community-Government Relationship Steering Group to oversee work on recommendations in April report
- 2002 He Waka Kotia: Joining Together on a Shared Journey<sup>1</sup> report issued, which reflected establishment of a Maori caucus; first (of 5) recommendation is set up a Māori action group
- 2003 Community Sector Taskforce (CST) created to carry on from Steering Group, including Te Wero as the 'Māori action group'; Office of Community and Voluntary Sector established to work with government agencies to promote good practice in their work with community groups
- 2006 CST published A New Way of Working<sup>1</sup> which describes a Treaty-based model for working; it was developed by the Taskforce in consultation with community group representatives at many hui around the country



### Overview of the Model

The model is relationship-focussed; the key relationships to be managed are power relationships (p 4), especially the power to protect, to define and to decide. It is based on the premise that in order to have appropriate relationships, tangata whenua and tangata Tiriti should work on issues separately before coming to a combined meeting in which they "together resolve issues of common concern" (p 5) and that it is essential to be clear about values that underpin our views on issues before trying to work together. The purpose of each house is to provide a culturally appropriate/safe way to discuss, define and prioritise issues and to promote relationships amongst communities within the house.

- Tiriti/Treaty Relationships Driven
- Valuing the inclusion of Tangata Whenua in the Sector
- Valuing the many different voices in the Sector
- Working with differences in values via an enabling methodology that engages people and their aspirations positively

<sup>1</sup> on Community Sector Taskforce Website, in Reports section: [www.cst.org.nz](http://www.cst.org.nz)

## Tangata Tiriti Declaration

This Declaration reflects the voices of Tangata Tiriti - Pakeha, Pacific and other non-Maori ethnic groups within the Sector. We celebrate that we are placed in this land of Aotearoa/New Zealand founded on the basis of a contract binding Tangata Whenua and Tangata Tiriti in relationships of trust and mutual honour. We celebrate our proud history of freedom of association and freedom of speech, enriched by the contribution of countless people through volunteer service.

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<b>We are everywhere</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ For just about every place, every interest, every activity, every type of person, every ideal – there's a club, a society, a trust, a committee.</li> </ul>	
<b>We are part of everyone's lives</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Every person and their family contributes to our sector and/or benefits from what we do.</li> </ul>	
<b>We are values based</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ We are driven by a particular purpose, ideal, or vision, and we have a set of values by which we live.</li> </ul>	
<b>We are diverse</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ We are as proud of our unique differences as we are of what binds us together.</li> <li>○ We change as needs change, as communities change, as time passes.</li> </ul>	
<b>We are voluntary</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Our existence is not compulsory, but comes from the choice of people.</li> <li>○ We rely on the energy, skill and goodwill, the gifts of time and other resources, of countless individuals both voluntary &amp; paid.</li> </ul>	
<b>We are advocates</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ There are ideals, people, principles, specific situations, which brought us into being, and we will always be impelled to "speak for" them, whatever else we do.</li> </ul>	
<b>We are not-for-profit</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Even when we are large and complex, the reason for our being is our original vision; being business-like is a means not an end.</li> </ul>	
<b>We are community-linked</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ We all have people as our base – and we always need to be responsive to them.</li> </ul>	
<b>We are accountable</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ We must give account of what we are doing, and how – our members &amp; our communities decide our direction.</li> </ul>	
<b>We contribute to community wellbeing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ There is an "added value" to our life and work– the binding together of families, of whanau, of communities – because of our shared vision and shared effort.</li> </ul>	
<b>We are multi-cultural and multi-ethnic</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ We are immensely enriched by the work &amp; life of communities from ethnic groups originating from all over</li> </ul>	
<b>We are worldwide</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Many of us have important international links and we interact with others around the globe.</li> <li>○ We are placed in this one world, with its natural and physical environment, and we believe together we can enrich both the earth and those who inhabit it.</li> </ul>	
<b>We wish to live up to Te Tiriti/ The Treaty of Waitangi</b>		