





Ngaruawahia the centre of the  
universe

In the Beginning.....

*In 1993 Ngaruawahia's*

*main industry*

*AFFCO Meat Works*

*laid off 350 workers*

*From a total population of less than  
4000*



# Ngaruawahia Community House



Community owned  
Community driven  
Collaborative  
Sustainable

# The difference we make

- Community are doing it for ourselves - creating our own economic base
- Yes we can!!! - growing community pride and aspirations
- Nurturing community cohesion and inclusion
- Encouraging community activism
- Creating a learning environment
- Meeting peoples needs with dignity
- Providing ways for people to contribute
- Building relationships within and across sectors
- Growing community capacity to participate as equal partners
- Providing a sense of place and belonging –Turangawaewae

What's next on the list to add to our empire in the centre of the universe

