

MHUD Contracted Emergency Housing

Supplementary Evidence of Airflo Holdings Limited – Donald Atkinson

The Covid response to provide motel accommodation for a multitude of people has been a social experiment that has gone terribly wrong and should be stopped as soon as possible. It has degraded Rotorua appallingly and it will take years to recover even if it ceased immediately. My plea is you give us our City back and return the inhabitants to their own homes and Marae throughout New Zealand where they can be supported by family.

The social problems caused by the congregation of so many people is well documented and my tenants should not have to be concerned with them. Profiles Gym is open 24 hours a day and people loitering and getting up to no good is concerning to customers and should not have to be tolerated.

Rotorua City is heavily impacted, the problem behaviour compounds a City trying to deal with deep social problems. The Pre Election Report 2022 from the Rotorua District Council highlights these problems and the following is cited below -

1. Population 77,400
2. Out of the 67 local councils Rotorua shares the 66th position with Napier for crime
3. Clusters of motels being used as emergency and transitional housing are associated with increasing anti-social behaviour and crime in the surrounding area.
4. Gang culture attracting our young people and the associated fighting, intimidation and drugs
5. The Maori population is 40% of the population, the highest of any city in New Zealand
6. The overall depredation rating is 8 where 10 is the highest
7. 27% of the households are considered to be in the top 10% of vulnerable households in New Zealand (nearly 3 times as many as the average)
8. 34.08% of Maori are unemployed
9. 40.99% of Maori do not have their own home
10. Rotorua has seen a steady increase in depredation since the onset of Covid-19, largely driven by an increase in benefit receivers

I have also attached statistics from Infometrics showing Quarterly Economic Infographic's, this confirms the poor health of Rotorua. Rotorua is one of New Zealand's poorest cities and the Government is dumping problems into it when other areas of New Zealand are in a far stronger position to assist.

You cannot contract social services to deal with the issues above. They need to be supported by family and Marae.

What gets me very annoyed is that Government wants to perpetuate these problems for a further 5 years. Government has come into this City and completely disregarded all pleas from its citizens. To date it has occupied Motels illegally and now it wants to legitimise this occupation.

I strongly oppose this application and if granted will appeal the decision.

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Quarterly Economic Infographic

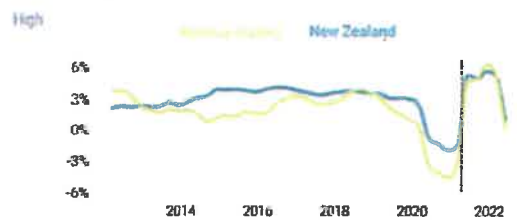
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Rotorua District Quarterly Economic Infographic JUNE 2022

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

Rotorua	New Zealand	Low
0.1% ↗	0.9% ↗	Gross domestic product: annual ave. change
-7.3% ↘	-10.4% ↘	Traffic flow: annual ave. change
-1.7% ↘	0.0% ↕	Consumer spending: annual ave. change

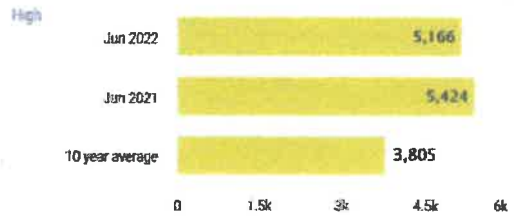
GDP growth



LABOUR MARKET

Rotorua	New Zealand	Low
2.6% ↗	3.2% ↗	Employment (place of residence): annual ave. change
-4.8% ↘	-9.7% ↘	Jobseeker Support recipients: annual ave. change
5.2%	3.3%	Unemployment rate: annual average

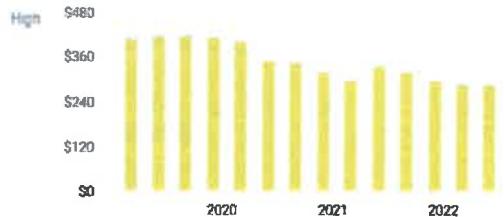
Number of Jobseeker Support recipients



TOURISM

Rotorua	New Zealand	Low
-14.5% ↘	-6.6% ↘	Tourism expenditure: annual ave. change
-33.1% ↘	-19.0% ↘	Guest nights: annual ave. change

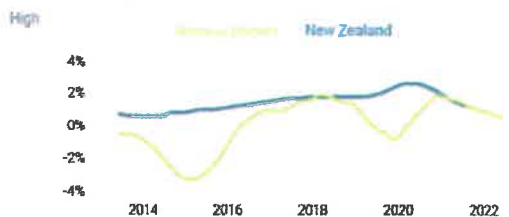
Tourism expenditure



HEALTH ENROLMENTS

Rotorua	New Zealand	Low
0.5% ↗	0.5% ↗	Health enrolments: annual ave. change

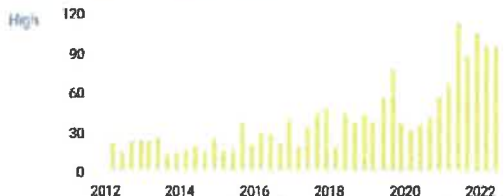
Health enrolments growth



BUILDING AND PROPERTY

Rotorua	New Zealand	Low
38.5% ↗	14.4% ↗	Residential consents: annual ave. change
16.0% ↗	15.8% ↗	Non-residential consents: annual ave. change
8.3% ↗	9.6% ↗	House values: annual ave. change

Residential building consents



Average house value