

“Growing the potential of information and communication technology for Rotorua communities”

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Monthly meeting

The ICT Trust meets once a month from 5:30pm to 7:00pm. The next meetings will be held at [The Business Hub](#), 1209 Hinemaru St (opposite the Government Gardens) on Thursday 24th April 2008 and Thursday 29th May 2008.

Feedback invited on Digital Strategy 2.0

ICT Minister David Cunliffe is inviting New Zealanders to have their say on the Draft Digital Strategy 2.0 which has been released for public comment. The draft is described on www.digitalstrategy.govt.nz as a “work in progress” on which the Government wants the public “to tell us how you can use digital technology to help transform New Zealand”. In its present form the draft provides an overview of progress since the 2005 Digital Strategy was released including case studies of projects from the Community Partnership Fund and other initiatives. It also describes a wide range of Government actions, budgets, timeframes and lead agencies for addressing challenges over the coming years. “It’s now timely to reassess the Digital Strategy’s goals and priorities, consider new developments, and focus on tasks that address the challenges of our new fully interactive digital environment,” said Mr Cunliffe. Consultation closes 12 May 2008. Opportunities for feedback are provided via a submission form, wiki and online dialogue boxes at www.digitalstrategy.govt.nz.

ICT Trust web address update

Due to recent changes, the company that hosts (for free) the Rotorua Community ICT Trust's current website has altered the web address to www.rotict.orconhosting.net.nz. The previous address, www.rotict.orcon.net.nz, will be redirected until the end of May 2008. We'll keep you updated on any future changes. The ICT Trust website contains information about community technology projects including the Rotorua E-Rider (community IT advisory service).

Sites of interest

Here's an assortment of websites that may be of interest to Rotorua businesses and community groups – check them out:

www.energychampion.co.nz – website of the Rotorua Energy Champion, including information about energy audits.

www.rightcar.govt.nz – Compare the fuel efficiency, safety and air pollution of your next car before you buy it.

www.scamwatch.govt.nz – Keep informed, and protect yourself from being scammed.

www.google.com/apps – Free tools for online collaboration.