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# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

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BETWEEN

EDITH COWAN UNIVERSITY

AND

THE SHIRE OF BOYUP BROOK



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EDITH COWAN UNIVERSITY (ABN 54 361 485 361) of 270 Joondalup Drive Joondalup WA 6027

## AND

The Shire of Boyup Brook (ABN 95583688034) of 55 Abel Street Boyup Brook WA 6244

(the 'Parties')

### **Background**

- A. Edith Cowan University is a public university established pursuant to the *Edith Cowan University Act 1984* and wishes to develop its relationships with respected education and training institutions.
- B. The Shire of Boyup Brook is a local government authority. The Shire owns and operates the Rylington Park Institute for Agricultural Training and Research (Rylington Park) (1437 Boyup Brook-Cranbrook Rd, Scotts Brook WA 6244) and through the institute is engaged in agricultural trials and research, industry-based training, and events such as field days and expositions.
- C. The Parties recognise that collaborative efforts will be of mutual benefit and may contribute to an enduring institutional linkage for research and education, co-operation and mutual assistance.
- D. The Parties are interested in exploring the possibility of establishing a cooperative relationship, including the carrying out of projects or activities relevant to their respective capabilities.

### **Scope of Collaboration**

The Parties agree to continue discussions as opportunities arise to ascertain how co-operative activities could be implemented in the future. These activities could include:

1. Utilising Rylington Park for agriculture and regional development related research and allied education programs;
2. Conducting demonstrations and workshops for new and emerging technology;
3. Exploring new or novel approaches to sustainable agricultural systems;
4. Exploring new or novel approaches to marketing and supply chain completion;
5. Sharing and disseminating information and research outcomes with farming and regional communities;
6. Engage in discussions and activities regarding the development of programs and services in specific areas of mutual interest in the areas of agricultural sector education and research development and, regional development;
7. Endeavour to identify potential projects of interest to the parties to this agreement;
8. Engage in discussions and activities regarding the development of proposals for collaborative projects and allied research and education endeavours between the parties.

This document is a statement of the Parties' intentions at the date of this Memorandum of Understanding and is not intended to create a contractual relationship or be legally binding.

This Memorandum of Understanding will commence on the date shown below and operate for a 20 year term comprised of an initial 10 years and renewable for a further 10 years.

Should specific joint activities arise as a result of further discussions, details will be set forth in an Agreement, to be signed at the appropriate time by the authorised representatives of the Parties.

Be it so understood and agreed on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of October 2021.



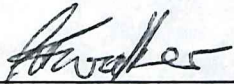
**Signing Page**

The Shire of Boyup Brook and the Edith Cowan University agree to abide by the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding.

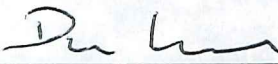
**EXECUTED by parties as an MOU**

Date 29-10-2021

**THE COMMON SEAL** of the **Shire of Boyup Brook** is affixed in the presence of –

  
Signature of the Shire President


Richard Walker  
Name of the Shire President

  
Signature of the CEO

DAE PUTLAND  
Name of the CEO

**EXECUTED by Edith Cowan University as an MOU**

Date 29 October 2021

  
Signature of Deputy Vice-Chancellor  
(Regional Futures)

Professor Cobie Rudd  
Name of Deputy Vice-Chancellor  
(Regional Futures)

