Yarra City Council Business Advisory Group Meeting minutes

Yarra

Meeting number 4 of 4 - 2022

Date: Thursday 3 November 2022

Time: 8am to 10am

Location: Richmond Town Hall, 333 Bridge Road, Richmond

Attendance:

First Name	Initial	Business Name	
Present			
Cr Herschel Landes	HL	Yarra Councillor (Chair)	
Cr Edward Crossland	EC	Yarra Councillor	
Guido Melo	GM	Melko	
Jane Stewart	JS	Sustain Ability International	
Jeremy Ellis	JE	LaunchPad	
Mark Ryan	MR	Eureka Coffee/Growers Espresso	
Mark Schiffer	MS	Blick Creative	
Paula Glynn	PG	PixelStorm	
Robyn Madeley	RM	Victoria Gardens Shopping Centre	
Shane Hryhorec	SH	Push Mobility	
Trang Du	TD	Two Square Pegs	
Apologies			
Freya Berwick	FB	Sense of Self	
Kevin Cahya	KC	Makmur Enterprises	
Mary Minas	MM	Sense of Self	
Matthew Kovacs	MK	Ventia	
Sophie Travers	ST	Collingwood Yards	
Guest			
Carlo Meneguzzi		 Bendigo Kangan Institute	
Leonie Kirkwood	LK	Yarra Council – Strategic Planning	
Siu Chan	SC	Yarra Council – Strategic Flamming Yarra Council – Arts, Culture & Venues	
Esther Kennedy	EK	Yarra Council – Economic Development	
Shelley Woolcock	SW	Yarra Council – Economic Development	
Simon Osborne	SO	Yarra Council – Economic Development	
Will Anderson	WA	Yarra Council – Economic Development	
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2. Actions arising from previous meeting and adoption of minutes	
Minutes adopted	
Simon – return to work strategies were communicated to businesses via a special employment edition of the Yarra Business News and Yarra City Jobs. It's important that employers give workers a valid reason/justification/purpose on why they're being asked to come back to the office. Important to note this is a national and state-wide issue – not only Yarra. It's an employee's market at the moment.	
Cr Landes – parking only an issue on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays… not Mondays or Fridays!	
3. Cremorne Urban Design Framework (UDF)	
Presentation from Leonie Kirkwood	
10,000 workers and 770 businesses in Cremorne	
Shane – I run wheelchair skills training starting from Richmond station. Getting rid of gutters for wheel and rollability, otherwise wheelchair users will avoid the area.	
Read the draft UDF	
Visit https://yoursayyarra.com.au/designcremorne to have your say	
4. Kangan Institute	
Presentation from Carlo, Bendigo Kangan Institute	
 Trang – with internships/placements, SMEs and big business have different needs. SMEs need employees with a broad skillset and big business want workers with specific skills. How do you address this? 	
PG – How are you educating the teaching staff?	
Trang – Do you train your educators in working with people with disability and people from multicultural backgrounds?	
5. Arts, Culture & Venues in Yarra	
Presentation from Siu Chan	
Shane – is there a best practice guide for event access at Yarra?	
Shane - Changes Places funding grants – for accessible bathrooms	
Graffiti and mural FAQs sound great – good marketing opportunity to promote to local business and community Facebook pages	
Trang – grant writing sessions that cater to people who have limited experience with applying for grants or people with English as a second language	
Siu - We have an arts officer dedicated to working with multicultural communities	
6. General business	
Mark Schiffer – excitement around internships at business. Legal definition of un/paid internships. Became a member of AGDA… unpaid internship is frowned upon.	
PG – almost as soon as interns start, they get poached by other orgs via LinkedIn.	

	Action/Update
Shane – can we record accessibility via the annual business audit?	
 Simon – accessibility will be recorded as part of the next annual shopping precinct audit January 2023 	
 SH – can you please let the Disability Advisory Committee know? 	
Shane – a couple of gyms at Yarra inaccessible	
7. Thank you to departing members	
Robyn Madeley	
Mark Schiffer	
Mark Ryan	
Jane Stewart	
Trang Du	
7. Closing	
Meeting closed.	