

4 November 2020



Mr Kelvin Tori
Chief Executive Officer
Melton City Council
Email: legalservices@melton.vic.gov.au

Dear Mr Tori,

Re: Notification of lease - Part of the premises situated at 237-239 Station Road, Melton.

I am writing on behalf of Djerriwarrh Employment & Education Services' Board to support the proposed lease.

Djerriwarrh Employment & Education Services is a not for profit charitable organisation which has been delivering high quality education, training, employment and youth programs in Melton since 1989 when it was first incorporated. Djerriwarrh's Mission Statement is to 'support individuals and the local community to learn, connect and grow'.

Djerriwarrh was born from the ashes of the CYSS (Community Youth Services Scheme) program in 1989 with the support of the Melton City Council and since its inception has provided effective education, employment and support services for many thousands of people in Melton.

Djerriwarrh's first home was 7 McKenzie Street, Melton and in 1991, the organisation moved to the 'White House' at 239 Station Rd, where it remained until 2019 when Djerriwarrh vacated the premise for the redevelopment of the site.

SkillShare was the starting point program in 1989. This program was designed to provide training to those displaced from the labour force so that with up to date skills their employment opportunities were enhanced. The breadth of our programs has grown over the years to encompass a range of education, training and youth support programs in Melton including Neighbourhood house activities, L2P, Adult Community and Further Education funded pre-accredited training, Skills First Reconnect, Vocational Education and Training (VET) in a range of Certificates including childcare, aged care and education support. We also deliver ParentsNext, Skills for Education and Employment (SEE) and the Adult Migrant English Program (AMEP).

We anticipate the Neighbourhood House playing a key role in the development of community engagement activities in the new building as well as the building providing much needed accommodation for the delivery of our services.

We look forward to continuing to work in partnership with Melton City Council and supporting the local Melton community.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Trish Heffernan", is written over the typed name.

Trish Heffernan/CEO

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