



## Help shape our next Learning Community Strategy 2024-2029

### What are your goals to live your best life?

Wyndham City is calling for residents to share their **learning** goals, challenges, and expectations for the next five years to help shape our next Learning Community Strategy 2024-2029.

The call for feedback springs from Wyndham City's support of lifelong learning over the course of a person's life, whether through the formal or informal education systems.

Wyndham City Mayor, Cr Susan McIntyre said that research shows that active minds create happier people, provide opportunities to increase job opportunities and standards of living while contributing to increased overall wellbeing.

"As part of this consultation we want to know detailed information about what people's educational and career goals may be and what they need to achieve them for the next five years," she said.

"We're inviting feedback on plans for future study that are already being considered, such as finishing high school and undertaking further study, changing careers, returning to study, taking up a new interest outside of paid work."

Wyndham City's Learning City portfolio holder Cr Jasmine Hill said the Strategy has been used as the basis to advocate, facilitate, explore, initiate, and deliver on learning goals for our City.

"Responses to the questions for the next Strategy can be as wide and varied as people's interests and this information will help shape our approach and priorities to supporting meaningful learning opportunities."

A first round of consultations evaluating the current Learning Community Strategy sought to understand the community's support for the themes that would guide learning in Wyndham City into the future.

This second round of consultations will contribute to the development of the next Strategy. For more information, to attend one of our consultations, and to take the survey visit The Loop by 18 June at: <https://theloop.wyndham.vic.gov.au/learning-community-strategy>.

## Evaluation Phase Summary - Learning Community Strategy 2018-2023

The Learning Community Strategy is a plan to create a community that values lifelong learning. It is used as the basis for Council to improve learning outcomes by **advocating, facilitating, exploring, initiating, and delivering** on learning goals.

The strategy identifies four roles for the Council and contributes to the Wyndham 2040 vision:

- **Celebrating** living and learning in Wyndham.
- **Advocating** for equity and quality in service provision.
- **Facilitating partnerships** and collaboration across sectors to create new learning models and deliver outcomes for all.
- **Innovating learning** and fostering new entrepreneurial spirit.

The evaluation confirms that the strategy is effective in promoting lifelong and life-wide learning, fostering partnerships, and providing a roadmap for an equitable, inclusive, and innovative learning community.

Many partners work with the Learning Community Strategy team on the delivery of key actions and thousands of local people participate in learning events each year, the Strategy has facilitated the Council to secure resources to meet the learning needs of the community.

Two new focus areas have been identified for the next strategy:

- A First Nations focus area and
- A health and wellbeing focus area.

The next strategy should align with other Council plans, engage with the First Nations Community, focus on language, literacy, numeracy, and digital literacy, and respond to changes that will shape the future in the fastest growing local government area in Australia .

The Evaluation confirms the importance of developing the next Learning Community Strategy and the need for a responsive and accountable governance model to ensure life wide and lifelong and learning across the community.