Dear Business Operator,

Please find the June 2016 edition of Business Matters in Wyndham below which aims to provide useful and interesting information to the Wyndham business community.

For more information about any of the listed items, please click on the item title or contact Wyndham City’s Economic Development Unit on 9742 0771 or business@wyndham.vic.gov.au

[**Enterprising Tarneit Small Business Start-Up Program**](http://www.cmy.net.au/enterprising-tarneit)

**Applications close Monday 6 June!**

*Are you developing a small or home-based business and live in the Tarneit/ Wyndham area?*

Apply now for the Enterprising Tarneit Small Business Start-Up Program.

The Program offers up to 16 locals the opportunity to gain business skills, knowledge and networks. Participants are matched with a mentor and learn how to bring their business idea to life.

The program includes weekly skills sessions from July to October 2016.

**More information:**
Sofiah Mackay
Project Coordinator - Enterprising Tarneit
smackay@cmy.net.au or 0408 106 424
 **To apply** click[here](http://www.cmy.net.au/enterprising-tarneit).

**Applications close Monday 6 June 2016**

[**Victorian Small Business Festival – Coming in August**](http://enews.business.vic.gov.au/link/id/zzzz574eaa3950886818Pzzzz5487a7296e20c161/page.html)

This year's Small Business Festival runs throughout August and will feature hundreds of low-cost, highly-engaging events throughout Melbourne and regional Victoria.

The festival includes events covering everything from financial management to taking your business online.

Click [here](http://enews.business.vic.gov.au/link/id/zzzz574eaa3950886818Pzzzz5487a7296e20c161/page.html) for the 2016 program.

As part of the Festival, Wyndham City Council will be hosting a number of **free** events including:

[Starting a Business – 2 August](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/business__investment/business/events_training/events/starting_a_business_1)
[Gov 4U – Advice Support & Grants available – 10 August](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/business__investment/business/events_training/events/voluntary_business_training_2016)
[Financial Planning for Small Business – 23 August](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/business__investment/business/events_training/events/financial_planning_for_small_business)

[Get Ready for SuperStream](https://www.ato.gov.au/Super/Superstream/Employers/Employer-checklist--a-step-by-step-guide/)If you have under 20 employees, you have until 30 June to meet the new SuperStream standard. Under SuperStream, you are required to pay super contributions for your employees electronically (EFT or BPAY) and send the associated data in a standard format. More information about your obligations is available from the Australian Tax Office.

[Launch of Victoria's China Strategy](http://gemsuseraccount.cmail20.com/t/r-l-sokyjl-hlxldsyu-u/)

Premier Daniel Andrews recently launched [Victoria's China Strategy - Partnerships for Prosperity](http://gemsuseraccount.cmail20.com/t/r-l-sokyjl-hlxldsyu-u/). The Strategy is designed to strengthen economic and cultural ties with our largest trading partner, to create greater business opportunities and more jobs for Victoria.

[What it takes to change a light bulb – 26,000 times](http://waga.com.au/what-it-takes-to-change-a-light-bulb-26000-times/)

Lighting the West is a partnership between Wyndham, Moonee Valley, Hobsons Bay and Maribyrnong City Council to bring sustainable lighting to the west of Melbourne.

Over the past two years, the project changed 80W mercury vapour lights in residential streets to new energy efficient lights, saving 66-77 per cent of the energy used by each light. More than 26,000 lights were changed across the municipalities. Over the next 20 years, this will save $41 million in energy and maintenance costs and 146,397 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions.

**Events, Training & Networking Opportunities**

[Top 10 Tips for Running a Small Business - 7 June 2016](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/business__investment/business/events_training/events/top_10_tips_for_running_a_small_business) **Date:** Tuesday 7 June
**Time:** 6.00pm to 8.00pm
**Where:** Wyndham City Council
45 Princes Highway, Werribee
**Presenter:** [Crowe Horwath](http://www.crowehorwath.net/au/)
Business Advisors and Accountants
**Cost:** Free
**Bookings:** Click [here](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/business__investment/business/events_training/events/top_10_tips_for_running_a_small_business)
Bookings essential

This session focuses on key issues that will help ensure the success and profitability of your business.

Topics include business planning, monitoring cash flow and key financial indicators.

[Wyndham BizNet - Dinner Seminar - 14 June 2016](http://www.wyndhambiznet.com.au/) **Date:** Tuesday 14 June
**Time:** 6.30pm pre-dinner drinks
Seated: 7.30pm - 9.30pm
**Where:** Italian Sports Club
601 Heaths Rd, Werribee
**Speaker:** Justin Huber, General Manager
Melbourne Aces Baseball Club
**Cost:** $50 financial members/$60 other
**Bookings:** Click [here](http://www.wyndhambiznet.com.au/)
Bookings required by 10 June

[Small Business Bus in Wyndham – 6, 7 & 9 June 2016](http://www.business.vic.gov.au/events/small-business-bus)

The Victorian Government's Small Business Bus is coming to Wyndham at the locations below.  Information about government support for small business is available on the bus.

**Date:** Monday 6 June
**Time:** 10.00am to 4.00pm
**Where:** Wedge St Piazza
94 Watton St, Werribee

**Date:** Tuesday 7 June
**Time:** 10.00am to 4.00pm **Where:** Williams Landing
Shopping Centre Car Park
100 Overton Rd, Williams Landing

**Date:** Thursday 9 June
**Time:** 10.00am to 4.00pm
**Where:** Manor Lakes
Shopping Centre Car Park
8 Manor Lakes Boulevard
Wyndham Vale

 [Enterprising Women’s Lunch - 23 June 2016](https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/enterprising-women-lunch-june-2016-tickets-25833981133)

**Date:** Thursday 23 June
**Time:** 1.00pm
**Where:** Racecourse Hotel
78 Cottrell St, Werribee
**Organiser:** [Inner Rhythm](http://www.inner-rhythm.net/)
**Cost:** Free
**Bookings:** Click [here](https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/enterprising-women-lunch-june-2016-tickets-25833981133)
Bookings essential

Local business Inner Rhythm has created this opportunity for Wyndham businesswomen to meet over lunch in a friendly and informal setting.

[Melbourne’s West Leadership Breakfast Forum - 30 June 2016](http://mwlf.com.au/index.php/melbourne-west-leadership-events/breakfast-forum-thursday-30-june-2016/)
 **Date:** Thursday 30 June
**Time:** 7.15am to 8.45am
**Where:** The Yarraville Club
135 Stephen Street, Yarraville
**Speaker:** The Hon. Philip Dalidakis
Minister for Small Business, Innovation & Trade
**Cost:** $55 (non-subscribers)
**Bookings:** Click [here](http://mwlf.com.au/index.php/melbourne-west-leadership-events/breakfast-forum-thursday-30-june-2016/)
Bookings essential

The Hon. Philip Dalidakis, Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade, will be speaking on leadership and his most significant leadership lessons.

[Starting a Business – 2 August](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/business__investment/business/events_training/events/starting_a_business_1)
 **Date:** Tuesday 2 August
**Time:** 6.00pm to 8.00pm
**Where:** Wyndham City Council
45 Princes Highway, Werribee
**Presenter:** [Crowe Horwath](http://www.crowehorwath.net/au/)
Business Advisors and Accountants
**Cost:** Free
**Bookings:** Click [here](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/business__investment/business/events_training/events/starting_a_business_1)
Bookings essential

[Gov 4U – Advice Support & Grants available – 10 August](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/business__investment/business/events_training/events/voluntary_business_training_2016)
 **Date:** Wednesday 10 August
**Time:** 7.15am to 9.00am
**Where:** Wyndham City Council
45 Princes Highway, Werribee
**Presenters:**[Department of Industry, Innovation and Science (AusIndustry)](http://www.business.gov.au/)
[Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport & Resources](http://www.business.vic.gov.au/)
[Australian Made Campaign](http://www.australianmade.com.au/)
**Cost:** Free
**Bookings:** Click [here](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/business__investment/business/events_training/events/voluntary_business_training_2016)
Bookings essential

Find out about government grants and other assistance available.

You will also have the opportunity to hear how the well-known green and gold kangaroo Australian Made logo can benefit your business.

Light breakfast provided.

[Financial Planning for Small Business - 23 August](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/business__investment/business/events_training/events/financial_planning_for_small_business)

**Date:** Tuesday 23 August
**Time:** 6.00pm to 8.00pm
**Where:** Wyndham City Council
45 Princes Highway, Werribee
**Presenter:** [Deakin University](http://www.deakin.edu.au)
**Cost:** Free
**Bookings:** Click [here](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/business__investment/business/events_training/events/financial_planning_for_small_business)
Bookings essential

**Tips, Resources & Business Opportunities**

[Wyndham Business Awards 2016 – Entries close 24 June](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/business__investment/business/awards/onlineentryform_)

Applications for the 2016 Wyndham Business Awards are encouraged from all Wyndham based businesses.

To enter complete the [online application form](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/business__investment/business/awards/onlineentryform_) outlining your business, what sets you apart from your competitors and your organisation’s greatest achievement in the last year.

**More information:**Amy Gilbert
Economic Development
Wyndham City Council
Ph: 8734 5416
businessawards@wyndham.vic.gov.au

[Free Business Counselling](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/business__investment/business/support/free_small_business_consultation_with_bec__kangan)
Wyndham City Council offers new business owners or those people thinking about starting a business a free session with an experienced business counsellor from the Kangan Institute’s Business Enterprise Centre.

You can obtain general business advice and referrals at the 45-minute one-on- one consultation.

**Where:** Werribee Development Centre, 10 Watton Street, Werribee
**When:** Every second Tuesday of the month
**To book:** Phone 9094 3008

Bookings are essential.

[NEIS Information Sessions](https://www.employment.gov.au/who-can-take-part-neis)

The New Enterprise Incentive Scheme or NEIS is a government program to assist people on Centrelink benefits to establish a new commercially viable business.

The program has three main components:

* Free small business management training to help participants prepare a detailed business plan
* If the business plan is deemed successful, participants will move off Centrelink benefits onto the NEIS business support payment for up to nine months
* Five business mentoring sessions during the 12 month agreement

NEIS Information Sessions are held every month in Werribee. No appointment is necessary:

**Date:** Every second Tuesday of the month
**Time:** 2.00pm
**Where:** Werribee Development Centre
10 Watton Street, Werribee
**Facilitator:** [Kangan Institute](https://www.kangan.edu.au/business-partners/business-enterprise-centre/neis?gclid=CMHk2Km0is0CFQp_vQod5dkFOQ)
(NEIS Provider)
**Cost:** Free

**More information:**

Phone the Kangan Institute on 13 82 33

Support for business at Julia Gillard Library Tarneit Co-Working Space
Every second and fourth Thursday of the month from 9.00am to midday, a Wyndham City Council Economic Development Unit staff member is based at the Julia Gillard Library Tarneit’s Co-Working Space to advise you about services and support available for small business.

# Please email business@wyndham.vic.gov.au or call 9742 0788 to make an appointment.

# Alternatively, appointments can be made anytime to meet with Economic Development Unit staff at the Werribee Development Centre, Shop 2, 10 Watton Street, Werribee.

**Tenders, EOIs and Quotes**

**Invitations to Tender**

[Contract No C1767/16 – Chirnside Park Redevelopment](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/tenders/currenttenders/c1767)

[Contract No C1793/16 – Unnamed Laneway & Thompson Court Reconstruction Works](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/tenders/currenttenders/16)

[Contract No C1723/16 – Crack Sealing of Road Pavements](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/tenders/currenttenders/c1723)

[Contract No C1777/16 – Design & Consultancy Services for Enhanced Neighbourhood Hubs](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/tenders/currenttenders/c1777)

[Contract No C1788/16 – Supply, Delivery & Installation of EPA Approved Tarpaulin Style Landfill Cover System](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/tenders/currenttenders/c1788)

**Expression of Interest**

[Contract No C1776/16 – Cleaning Services for Wyndham City Council](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/tenders/currenttenders/contract_no_c1776)

**Invitations to Quote**

[Quotation No Q1752/16 – Digital Signage for 80-82 Derrimut Rd](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/tenders/currenttenders/q1752)

 **Grants & financial assistance**

Find out about government grants and other support available to business by [registering](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/aboutwyndham/business__investment/business/events_training/events/voluntary_business_training_2016) for a free business breakfast at Wyndham City on 10 August.

[Finance for Australian Exporters](http://enews.business.vic.gov.au/link/id/zzzz574eaa39547c6022Pzzzz5487a7296e20c161/page.html)

EFIC is a specialist financier that assists the Federal Government by providing financial services to Australian exporters.

If your business has an annual revenue of between $250,000 and $5 million, has been in operation for at least two years and has exported within the past year, you may be eligible for an unsecured EFIC loan of between $50,000 and $250,000.

The loan must be used to finance a single contract or purchase order for the export of goods or services from Australia.

View EFIC’s [eligibility criteria and apply here.](http://enews.business.vic.gov.au/link/id/zzzz574eaa39547c6022Pzzzz5487a7296e20c161/page.html)

 **Higher Education and TAFE Programs**

[**The Gordon**](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5Cteggins%5Cobjcache%5Cteggins%5CObjects%5Cthegordon.edu.au)

[**Applications now open for mid-year Werribee courses**](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5Cteggins%5Cobjcache%5Cteggins%5CObjects%5Cthegordon.edu.au)

The Gordon is taking applications for mid-year intakes, with the majority of courses starting early July.

Most courses require a minimum commitment of two days or evenings each week and run from 6 -18 months.

Applications are also open for Training and Assessment (TAE), for those considering becoming a trainer, working in a TAFE or the vocational sector.

Courses cover a range of subject areas and include:

**Business & Training**

* [FNS40615 Certificate IV in Accounting](http://www.thegordon.edu.au/Courses/All-Courses/FNS40615-Certificate-IV-in-Accounting)
* [BSB31115 Certificate III in Business Administration (Medical)](http://www.thegordon.edu.au/Courses/All-Courses/BSB31115-Certificate-III-in-Business-Administratio)
* [BSB51915 Diploma of Leadership and Management](http://www.thegordon.edu.au/Courses/All-Courses/BSB51915-Diploma-of-Leadership-and-Management)
* [TAE40110 Certificate IV in Training and Assessment](http://www.thegordon.edu.au/courses/all-courses/tae40110-certificate-iv-in-training-and-assessment)

**Early Childhood**

* [CHC30113 Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care](http://www.thegordon.edu.au/Courses/All-Courses/CHC30113-Certificate-III-in-Early-Childhood-Educat)
* [CHC50113 Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care](http://www.thegordon.edu.au/Courses/All-Courses/CHC50113-Diploma-of-Early-Childhood-Education-and)

**Information & Communication Technology**

* [ICT30115 Certificate III in Information, Digital Media and Technology "Wyndham"](http://www.thegordon.edu.au/Courses/All-Courses/ICT30115-Certificate-III-in-Information%2C-Digital-M) (New IT qualification)
* [ICT40115 Certificate IV in Information Technology](http://www.thegordon.edu.au/Courses/All-Courses/ICT40115-Certificate-IV-in-Information-Technology)

Check out The Gordon’s website for all our courses available in Werribee and Geelong and whether there is an information session offered for the course that you are interested in.

**More information:**Ph: 03 5225 0800

**Community Connections**

**Business Mentors Wanted**

Are you an experienced business person who would like to share your knowledge and give back to the community?

Business mentors are wanted for a Small Business Start-Up Program being held from July to October 2016 in Tarneit.

The Program is part of the Enterprising Tarneit project which aims to support residents in the Tarneit area to develop, plan and implement their business ideas.

Enterprising Tarneit was developed in partnership with Wyndham City Council, the Scanlon Foundation and the Centre for Multicultural Youth.

**More information:**
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**If you have any comments or suggestions on topics you would like to hear more about please email us as we would welcome your feedback.**

Kind regards,

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Wyndham City