

# LEARNING COMMUNITY STRATEGY 2024-2029

## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT REPORT



JANUARY 2024

# PROJECT BACKGROUND:

## A Learning Strategy for Wyndham's future

Our new Draft Learning Community Strategy 2024-2029 aims to provide a strategic and integrated framework for the creation of a community of lifelong learning and is used as the basis to advocate, facilitate, explore, initiate, and deliver on Wyndham’s learning goals.

Previous rounds of consultations included evaluating the current Learning Community Strategy 2018-2023 to help inform the development of the new Draft Learning Community Strategy 2024-2029. You can read more about our phases of engagement via The Loop and the engagement report [here](#).

The final phase of engagement was the public exhibition period, where we gave community an opportunity to provide feedback on our [Draft Learning Community Strategy 2024-2029](#) before it is finalised and presented to Council for potential adoption in early 2024.

The public exhibition period for the draft Learning Community Strategy 2024-2029 was open for six weeks between 30 November 2023 – 10 January 2024.


## Four pillars for strengthening learning in Wyndham

 <p><b>First Nations 1st</b></p> <hr/> <p>Embedding an understanding of First Nations culture into learning across life, addressing barriers to access and equity in learning and supporting culturally safe workplaces for Indigenous Australians.</p>	 <p><b>Learning to Learn and Foundation Skills</b></p> <hr/> <p>Facilitating the development of language, literacy, numeracy, and digital literacy skills for all life stages.</p>	 <p><b>Employability, Work Skills, and Building Careers</b></p> <hr/> <p>Developing employability and work skills for young people transitioning into work and exploring opportunities to build careers.</p>	 <p><b>Leadership and New Learning</b></p> <hr/> <p>Building community leadership through social and action learning, strengthening capability of local businesses, exploring new digital technologies in education, and facilitating civics learning.</p>
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# METHODOLOGY:

The below table outlines the method and technique used to engage with the community.

Community engagement activities / tools	
Method / technique	Stakeholders engaged
Project page on The Loop	415 page views 216 total visitors
Online Survey	12 contributions
Quick Poll	5 contributions

Communications / marketing activities	
Method / technique	Stakeholders engaged
 <p>Online promotion (Facebook and LinkedIn)</p>	<p><b>Facebook Post 09-12-2023.</b></p> <p>♥ Love learning? Then you'll love to see what we have planned to encourage and support learning in Wyndham.</p> <p>Share your feedback on our Draft Learning Community Strategy 2024-2029.</p> <p>Our new Draft Learning Community Strategy 2024-2029 aims to provide a framework for the creation of a community of lifelong learning and is used as the basis to advocate, facilitate, explore, initiate, and deliver on Wyndham's learning goals.</p> <p>Feedback closes on Wednesday 10 January 2024: <a href="https://theloop.wyndham.vic.gov.au/learning-community...">https://theloop.wyndham.vic.gov.au/learning-community...</a></p> <p><b>Organic (Wyndham City)</b>  Engagements: 27  Link Clicks: 16  Reach: 2,345</p> <p><b>Libraries in Wyndham</b>  Engagements: 8  Link Clicks: 6  Reach: 665</p> <p><b>LinkedIn post 11/12/2023</b>  Likes: 7  Reach: 15,385 followers</p>

<p>Other communications methods</p>	<p><b>Stakeholder Meetings:</b>                  AMES                  Bunurong Land Council Aboriginal Corporation                  Wadawurrung TO Corporation                  Internal Council Units</p>
<p>Email Wyndham wide Networks</p>	<p>Learning Community Networks                  Library What's On &amp; Library eNewsletters;                  Wyndham Internal Networks                  Wyndham Humanitarian Network                  Wyndham Neighbourhood Hubs The Buzz eNewsletters;</p>
<p>Flyers for Library branches , Outreach Community Learning Centres</p>	<p>500 flyers                    Learning Community Strategy</p>
<p>Council digital screens</p>	<p>Wyndham wide community</p>



**DRAFT LEARNING COMMUNITY STRATEGY**

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**How to get involved**  
 Love Learning? Share your feedback on our Draft Learning Community Strategy 2024-2029. Your feedback will help finalise the Strategy before it is presented to Council for potential adoption in early 2024.

For more information, and to take the survey visit The Loop by 10 January 2024 at <https://theloop.wyndham.vic.gov.au/learning-community-strategy>



### Prefer to give quick feedback?

#### Do you support our new Learning Community Strategy?

Answer here or provide more detailed feedback via our survey further down the page.

This poll has concluded.



- Yes, definitely 40.0%
- Yes, mostly 0.0%
- I'm neutral/not too sure 20.0%
- Not really 20.0%
- Definitely not 20.0%

**Total Votes: 5**

## WHO WE HEARD FROM:

The below tables highlight who we heard from in our community via The Loop during our engagement process.

### Age Group

15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39
0	8.3%	8.3%	0	8.3%
40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64
33.3%	0	16.6%	8.3%	8.3%
65-69	70-74	75-79		
0	8.3%	0		

### Gender

Male	Female	Prefer not to say	I identify as...
50%	50%	0	0

### Suburb

Cocoroc	Eynesbury	Hoppers Crossing	Laverton	Laverton North
0	0	8.3%	0	0
Little River	Mambourin	Manor Lakes	Mount Cottrell	Point Cook
0	8.3%	8.3%	8.3%	16.7%
Tarneit	Truganina	Werribee	Werribee South	Williams Landing
16.7%	0	8.3%	0	8.3%
Wyndham Vale	Outside of Wyndham			
0	16.7%			

### Do you speak a language other than English at home?

Yes	No
50%	50%

# SUMMARY OF FEEDBACK:

The following feedback helped inform the Learning Community Strategy 2024-2029.

## Survey Responses

We asked	You said	Response
<p><b>Do you support our new Learning Community Strategy?</b></p>	<p>Yes, definitely - <b>7</b>            Yes, mostly - <b>5</b>            I'm neutral/not too sure - <b>2</b>            Not really - <b>1</b>            Definitely not - <b>2</b></p>	<p>Majority of respondents supported the Strategy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Over 70% are supportive</b></li> <li>• <b>11% are neutral/not too sure</b></li> <li>• <b>17% are not supportive.</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>Do you have any further comments on the Draft Learning Community Strategy? This could include anything we might have missed or general feedback about the document.</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Love our focus on First Nations knowledges.</li> <li>2. incorporate language learning initiatives from all communities - cross-cultural learning.</li> <li>3. Consider social enterprise - where entrepreneurship is referenced.</li> <li>4. Reference other cohorts, ie trades, digital industries.</li> <li>5. empower community volunteers to further the reach of programs and events planned.</li> <li>6. short course run through council that support the skills required in our running our local clubs. Eg running meeting, good governance, RSA, basic accounting etc.</li> <li>7. consider sole action on climate resilience.</li> <li>8. work with First Nations needs to take action in reconciliation.</li> <li>9. focus on making learning accessible .i.e improving transport links and 15-minute city that offering learning in close location to one's home.</li> <li>10. break up of learning strategy for different age groups need to be specific/detailed.</li> <li>11. reconsider description of Australian History as "dark".</li> <li>12. this multifaceted strategy not only aligns with the present educational and community needs but also shows foresight in addressing future learning challenges in Wyndham. Could place a stronger emphasis on mental health and emotional well-being, particularly in educational contexts.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Pillar 1 is First Nations 1<sup>st</sup>- embedding First Nations knowledge, culture, and language into learning across life.</li> <li>2. Adjusted Action 2.03 in the Action Plan to include cross cultural understanding.</li> <li>3. Adjusted wording in Action 4.1 Translating Strategy into Action to include "all forms of entrepreneurship" and "alternative learning sectors". And adjusted wording in Action 4.2.3 Signature Events to include "all forms of entrepreneurship".</li> <li>4. Adjusted wording in Action 4.1 Translating Strategy into Action to include "all forms of entrepreneurship" and "alternative learning sectors".</li> <li>5. Adjusted wording in Action 4.02 to include volunteering.</li> <li>6. Council already offers a variety of courses which you can view on the <a href="#">Wynlearn What's On</a> calendar.</li> <li>7. Already in Action Plan: Climate resilience topic of future WynTalk and underpinning action, all Learning Community Actions to contribute to action on environment and climate – ongoing throughout the Strategy.</li> <li>8. Already in Action Plan: Action 1 2025</li> <li>9. Adjusted Action 3.02 adjusted to include "living, learning and working in Wyndham".</li> <li>10. Adjusted wording in 1.0 Executive Summary to include all ages and life stages.</li> <li>11. Adjusted 2.0 Influencing Factors and removed term "dark".</li> <li>12. Adjusted wording in 1.0 Executive Summary; 2.0 Influencing Factors; 3.0 Reaching Deep into Community; &amp; 4.2.1</li> </ol>

	<p>13. Inclusion of Non-Traditional Learning Pathways: stronger emphasis on non-traditional learning pathways, such as vocational training, apprenticeships, and informal learning opportunities.</p> <p>14. "out of the box" strategies such as Australian Institute for Intergenerational Practice - bring together intergenerational stakeholders to advance mutually beneficial, evidence-based intergenerational activities to generate inclusive, age-friendly communities.</p>	<p>Underpinning Actions to include mental health.</p> <p>13. Adjusted wording in 1.0 Executive Summary &amp; 2.0 Influencing Factors to emphasise a variety of learning opportunities and approaches and formal and informal learning. Adjusted wording in 4.1 Translating Strategy into Action to include broad range of learning sectors.</p> <p>14. Adjusted wording in 1.0 Executive Summary to include all ages and life stages. Adjusted 2.0 Influencing Factors to include intergenerational learning. Adjusted Action 2.03 to include "alterative learning models". Adjusted Action 4.12 to include carers.</p>
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**Participant quotes:**

*"Overall, the strategy is awesome, covers so many aspects and I'm looking forward to participating as a resident throughout the years".*

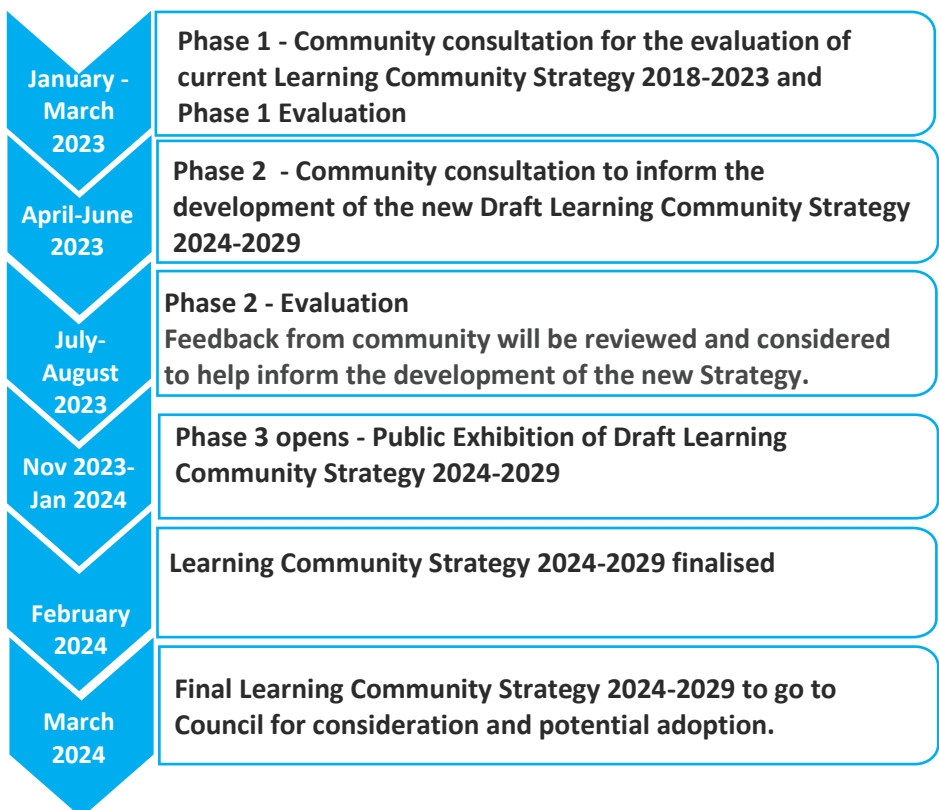
*"This multifaceted strategy not only aligns with the present educational and community needs but also shows foresight in addressing future learning challenges in Wyndham".*

*"I really liked how you gave visibility to First Nations and CALD communities".*

## NEXT STEPS:

- Learning Community Strategy 2024-2029 finalised February 2024.
- Final Learning Community Strategy 2024-2029 will be presented to Council for consideration and potential adoption in early 2024.

## STAGES OF THE PROJECT



## HOW CAN PARTICIPANTS STAY INVOLVED/INFORMED?

Participants can stay informed by visiting the Loop page at <https://theloop.wyndham.vic.gov.au/learning-community-strategy> and selecting to “Follow” the project. Updates will be posted on The Loop and the project timeline will be updated to reflect project status.

## Contact Us

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Have questions or want to learn more about the Strategy, contact us below:

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