




GREATER DANDENONG YOUTH NETWORK MEETING MINUTES
Meeting 4 | Sexting, Cyberbullying and the Law

Thursday 22 August 2024
 Online via Zoom

ITEMS	MEETING NOTES
WELCOME	All attendees welcomed Traditional Owners acknowledged
PRESENTATION Victoria Legal Aid Bridget Hansen	<p>Bridget Hansen Victoria Legal Aid Bridget Hansen CLE Coordinator</p> <p>Bridget Hansen provided an informative session on legal issues affecting youth, including cyberbullying, sexting, sexual consent.</p> <p>Sexting</p> <p>‘Sexting’ is distributing an intimate image of a person (over 18 years) to others without their consent and the distribution of the image is contrary to community standards of acceptable conduct. This might include nude, sexual or indecent images using a computer, mobile phone or other electronic device.</p> <p>Sexting is a crime if you intentionally distribute an intimate image of a person under 18 to others, even if they agree to the sext message being sent. You could also be charged by police with child abuse material offences.</p> <p>Cyberbullying</p> <p>Bullying is when someone behaves in a way towards another person or group of people to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • upset or hurt them • damage their property, reputation or acceptance by others. <p>This includes behaviour through the internet or mobile. This is called cyberbullying. It is illegal and is just as serious as other types of bullying. It can sometimes be even more damaging than face-to-face bullying because electronic communication is fast and can spread easily. Bullying is usually repeated behaviour and may continue over a number of days, weeks, months or years.</p> <p>Resources Shared:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Victoria Legal Aid contact: bridget.hansen@vla.vic.gov.au • Sex and the Law: https://www.legalaid.vic.gov.au/sex-and-law • Young and eSafe: Young and eSafe eSafety Commissioner
INFORMATION SHARING	<p>The following organisations shared information about their service:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Monash Health Youth and Family Service contact: 0434601300, youthtriage@monashhealth.org

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Gambler’s Help Southern contact: King Ewelike, kewelike@bhn.org.au, 0447915913 ○ EdConnect Australia contact: Melinda Spiteri, southeasternam@edconnect.org.au, 0477 316 462 ○ Dandenong Mental Health & Wellbeing Local contact: Vim, vkagonda@mindaustralia.org.au ○ Sexual and Reproductive Health Clinic contact: 0466022449, MHC_SexualHealthClinic@monashhealth.org
JUNE MEETING EVALUATION POLL	<p>Each meeting we take a poll to ask members to rate their satisfaction with the meeting, including the guest speaker. Findings from this meeting show that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100% of respondents agreed that the presentation by Bridget Hansen, Victoria Legal Aid, was informative and relevant • 100% of respondents agreed that today’s meeting exposed me to new ideas / helpful information • 100% of respondents agreed that today’s meeting increased my knowledge of services/supports available for young people
 <p>Youth Positive PATHWAYS GREATER DANDENONG • CASEY • CARDINIA</p>	<p>Greater Dandenong - Casey - Cardinia Online Youth Services Directory</p> <p>There are many services for young people and families within the City of Greater Dandenong, the City of Casey, and Cardinia Shire. This directory brings local service information together in the one place. It aims to assist young people, families, schools, and agencies by improving awareness of and accessibility to services available to young people and their families across the City of Greater Dandenong, the City of Casey, and Cardinia Shire.</p> <p>Please routinely check your service and program information on the website to maintain its accuracy and currency. Also, if your service is not yet listed, please visit the website, and log your service information. www.youthpositivepathways.com.au/about</p>
GDYN E-NEWS	<p>Reminder to network members to promote programs/service updates in the monthly GDYN eNewsletter. Please see the upcoming submission dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • September edition – content due by Friday 16 August • October edition – content due by Friday 13 September • November edition – content due by Friday 18 October • December edition – content due by Friday 15 November <p>Please send a blurb to bethany.roche@cgd.vic.gov.au</p>
NEXT MEETING	<p>16 October 2024 Topic TBC</p> <p>Face to Face Council Chambers 225 Lonsdale St Dandenong</p>



Time: 9.30am – 11.30am

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