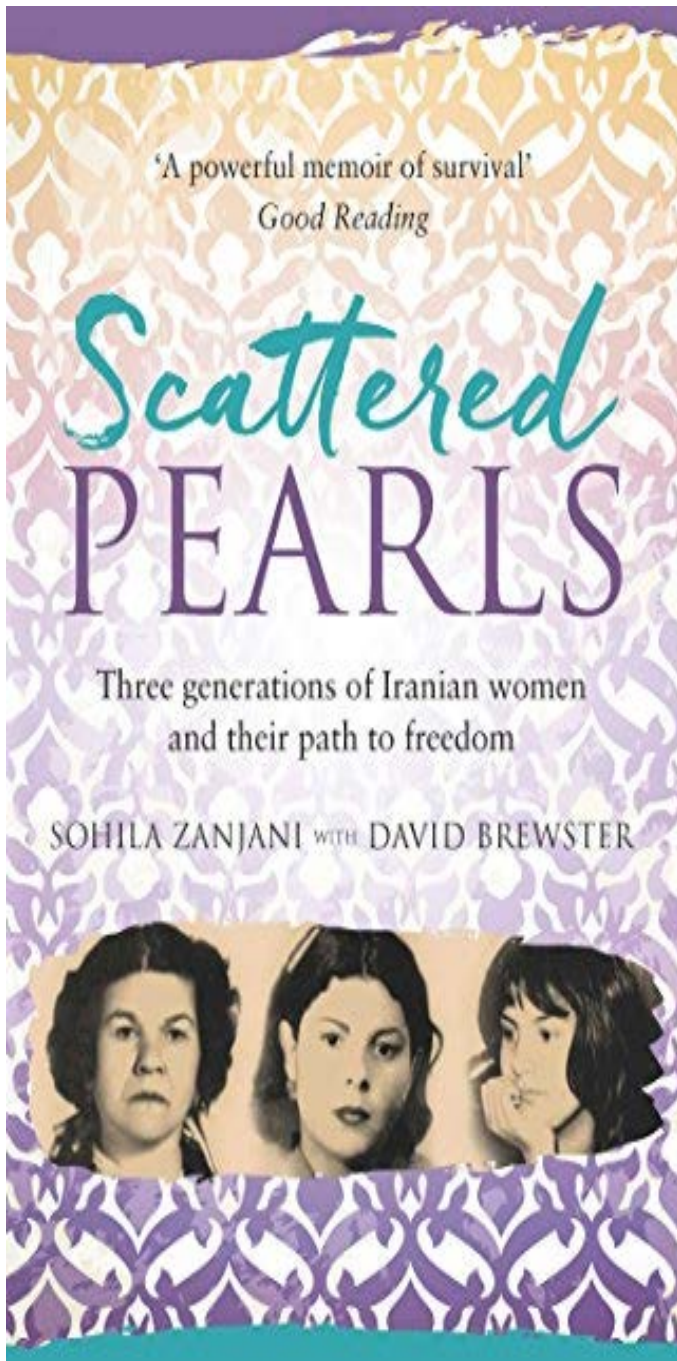




Housing Futures



JULY 2017

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A Member Success Story



Sohila Zanjani. Former Frankston Cooperative Member (1988 -2002).

As recorded in the recent member meeting minutes by Greg Nolan –

Sohila became a member of Frankston Housing Coop. in 1988, as a single mother with 4 children, having fled from Iran with her family a few years earlier, to try and make a better and safer life in Australia.

Sohila endured seven years of marriage with a husband who oppressed and 'enslaved' her. Eventually, Sohila sought refuge from this hard existence, and found hope and friendship in the Frankston coop community, and she acknowledged in her speech, the

help she received at that time, from Frankston members Shirley,

Lindsay and Pauline, who are still active SouthEast members today.

The main theme of her inspiring story is the "importance of secure housing." Just knowing that she had a secure, safe roof over her children's heads, was a starting point for her to embark on her life's quest to become a successful businesswoman, and take up studying law, now only weeks away from completion.

While Sohila admits that she had normal human fears, i.e. the fear of an overbearing husband, the fear of failure, and the fear of the unknown, Sohila showed the courage to follow through on her dreams and aspirations for a better life.

Her story is encapsulated in a book Sohila wrote, called 'Scattered Pearls', a tale about the lives of 3 generations of Iranian women, her grandmother, her mother, and herself, as they tried to find their path to freedom.

Sohila explained about the picture on the front cover of her book, the Red Lips signify 'Speaking Out', with red being the colour of 'Love and Truth'.

And you thought the
Christmas Party was
fun -then try the next

FREE MEMBER LUNCH

Friday August 18,
12 30 PM

Dandenong Office

(please see directions on page 14).

Friday August 18th is your opportunity to get together and enjoy being SouthEast coop members over a delicious free lunch and cuppa.

The Board have organised a member's free catered luncheon at the SouthEast office located on the third floor of the Plaza Business Centre in the Hub shopping centre in Dandenong.

You could shop at the Plaza or at the famous Dandenong market and have lunch on the same day.

Attendance is voluntary and it's hoped members will take the opportunity to hear from the directors about the history of SouthEast and what SouthEast hopes to achieve over the next three years.

There will be time to share member stories, dreams, and hopes for the future and a time for members to relax and get to know each other by making new coop friends or catching up with former mates.

All this and appetising food selections too for the meat lovers, vegetarians, and gluten free.

How to Get There

Why not arrange carpooling and save on petrol costs. Call us if you would like to offer transport for other members in your area and we will see if we can help arrange a car pooling. To get there come to the lifts in the Hub ground floor arcade opposite the Plaza Shopping Centre. Two hour paid parking is available next to the McCrae St Palm Plaza in the car park opposite the Dandenong Market and, free parking for 5 hours on most levels at the Palm Plaza Shopping Centre.

There is also low-cost parking available at Care Park's multi-level car parking of Langhorne St. Entry is available from the bus terminal area in Langhorne Street on the right just before Lonsdale St. Entry to Langhorne Street travelling away from the city is not allowed from Lonsdale St and must be from Walker Street only.

Confusing: then please call the office on 9706 8005 and the staff will gladly talk you through the directions. Please see also the map over the page.

CATERING: To help with catering call the office on 9706 8005 by Friday 11th August and advise how many will attend and food preferences. Bring the kiddies too it's more fun.



FROM THE CEO



Steven Morrissey

May 2017 General Meeting PowerPoint Notes:

Financial Results to March 31st

- Total Income: \$2.15M (including \$775k from RHAF)
- \$96k surplus generated (not including \$775k from RHAF)
- Projected surplus 2016/17: \$168k (excluding RHAF)
- Total Assets: \$5.6M (up from 30/06/2016 \$4.7M)

Inside SouthEast

- Many changes to how we do things
- Moving to more efficient, less labour-intensive systems
- Adoption of the Xero accounting system
- Decrease in staff x 2 – saving over \$100k per annum
- Total maintenance expenditure to March 31st: \$290,458 (same time last year \$255,155)
- Projected maintenance expenditure 2016/17: circa \$400k (excluding 2015/16 aircon project of \$50k this is a record)
- **Main message: day-to-day running costs down, maintenance expenditure up...**

Our External Environment

- Affordable housing has (finally!) caught the eye of government at all levels – especially at state level
- **Victorian government:**
 - Establishment of the \$1 billion Victorian Social Housing Growth Fund (over 4 years)
 - Planned development of 6,000 social housing dwellings
 - \$100M in low-cost loans
 - \$1 billion in government guarantees to housing associations
- **Federal government:**
 - Establishment of the National Housing Finance and Investment Corporation (NHIFC)
 - NHIFC to make it easier for NFP community housing providers to access low-interest long-term loans for housing (mid-2018)
- ***What does this all mean for SouthEast? Watch this space!***

First Street...

- Latest news from DHHS:
- Initial call for tenders received zero responses
- Second call elicited four tenders
- Contract was awarded to successful builder last week
- Site handover happens June 1st
- Work to commence not long after
- Have not provided a firm completion date – would estimate early 2018

What's happening next...

- Strategic Plan for the next 3 years in final development stage
- AGM scheduled for Monday November 20th, 2017
- Christmas Party at Enchanted Adventure Garden (Arthur's Seat) scheduled for Sunday December 10th, 2017

Reminder - All members are expected to attend member meetings unless a reasonable apology is provided.

General Meeting May 17



There were forty-four people in attendance and the meeting was addressed by two speakers first Sohila Zanjani who spoke about her beginnings in the coop and her personal transformation that enabled her to overcome a history of family violence that began in her country of origin and continued later in Australia through her marriage. Part of this victory was the ability to chronicle her story in a book called Scattered Pearls and her success as a mother, law student and practitioner in roles focused on working with mothers and others like herself affected by family violence.



Comments from the meeting survey were very positive:

- ✚ Fantastic speaker very thought provoking.
- ✚ Best meeting ever, thought provoking and inspirational, more please.

- ✚ Best meeting for a long time.
- ✚ Sohila was an inspiration as I am studying law and the co-op has given me that opportunity, thank you.

Although there were no arranged discussion groups the discussions score was high at 53% for very helpful and 24% for helpful, presentations scored 65% for very helpful and 12 % for helpful and, overall the meeting scored 59% as very good and a further 24% as good. There were no negative scores.



Futurist - Charles Brass

Futurist Charles Brass put a co-op spin on predicting alternate futures that was well grounded in coop history especially in Britain and it was great to develop a sense of where coops futures may lead. As recorded in the meeting minutes by Greg Nolan-

Charles is the Chair of the Futures Foundation, which assists and advises Govt's. and organisations to explore the sort of world we would like to live and work in and how best to seek that 'future' world.

He was a teacher at West Heidelberg in the old Olympic Village, and calls himself a ' Master of Strategic Foresight.'

Charles started by wanting to dispel 2 'Myths': (i) that Futurists 'predict the future'. That is not the task, but rather to help people and organisations to 'engage' with their possible and desired prospects and, (ii) that Futurists spend all their time and energy on the future. He says that to create a better future, you must 'really understand the past'.

He expanded on the theme of "The Past and Future of Cooperatives." The history of Cooperatives in Britain goes back to circa 1780 to 1830, whereby with the advent of steam trains and the growth of industry, productive capacity was revolutionised. The first

cooperative in Britain was the Rochdale Equitable Pioneers Society. Now, more than 17 million people 'own' the UK's coop's, and there are 6797 independent coops in the UK.

Also, cooperatives and their philosophy and practice came into being in the Spanish town of Mondragon, in the Basque region, with the establishment of the Mondragon Cooperative Corporation, which operates in multiple platforms e.g. Finance, Industry, Retail, and Knowledge, and has fostered many Workers' Coop's and cooperative enterprises.

Charles recommended several books as, good education about 'coop's and the future.':

" Who owns the Future" (Jaron Lanier).

" The Future - 6 Drivers of Global Change " (Al Gore).

" Designing 2050." (Peter Ellgard) (Aust).

" Jobs of our own." (Race Matthews) (Aust).

These books looked at the modern problematic trend towards putting profits before jobs, and the link to 'job loss' thresholds, and the consequential inability of the world to sustain financial growth and economic balance, if we continue this path of profits first, and people last.

New Venue - Christmas Party Sunday 10 December 2017

Enchanted Adventure Garden

55 Purves Road Arthur's Seat

03 5981 8449

Info@enchantedmaze.com.au



ENJOYING YOUR COMMUNITY

<https://www.yarraranges.vic.gov.au/Lists/Parks-Facilities/Lillydale-Lake>

Housing Futures will feature local communities events and resources across the regions and in this issue we look at the Lillydale Lake Play Space which opened in April this year.

Lillydale Lake: There is something for everyone at the unique playspace, including older children and even adults.

Features include:

- Sensory creek bed with mushrooms
- Platypus and wood duck climbing sculptures
- giant basket swing
- expression swing,
- double flying fox
- spinning carousel.
- [Splash pad](#) water activities. The splash pad is part of the playspace with water jets and sprays for all ages open every day between 8am and 9pm. Entry is free. The water play is available during the warmer months each year from October to early April.



Lillydale Lake Play Space

Liberty Swing

The all abilities playground features a Liberty Swing, giving those in a wheelchair the opportunity to enjoy a swing.

A key is required to use the Liberty Swing and can be purchased from the [Lillydale Community Link](#). Once a key is purchased it can be used any time. Please call 1300 368 333 to arrange for a key before your visit.



Moorabbin area What's On

(Source, Leader Newspapers)



MOORABBIN Area Toy Library is looking to build its membership and put more smiles on children's faces.

Toy library president Georgia Place said recent funding from the State Government, Glen Eira Council and Kingston Council had led to significant additions to the 2300-plus toys they have.

Bentleigh state Labor MP Nick Staikos announced \$1000 for the library to buy a toy set which includes traffic signs, shovels, concrete mixer, zebra crossing and trucks.

Ms Place said she hoped the set and other new toys would help boost membership to more than 200.

Visit moorabbinareatoylibrary.com

William, 4, George, 1, and Grace Draper, 3.

Picture: YURI KOUZMIN

Stick to it

Learn decoupage with designer Sue Trethowan-Jones on Thursdays, from 2-4pm, at Studio 767, 767 Hampton St, Brighton. Cost: \$55.

Details: 0417 772 188

Feeling flexible

Improve flexibility of mind and body, core strength and balance with Pilates on Mondays, at 6pm, at 2 Livingston St, Highett.

Details: 9555 3797

Bargains galore

The Cheltenham Rotary Undercover Market is on every Sunday, from 8am-1pm, on the ground floor of the Railway Rd carpark. More than 60 stallholders sell fresh produce, collectables, new and used clothes, crafts, toys, plants, and tools.

Details: 9589 4135

Women's golf

Ladies Bayside Golf Club, at Sandringham Golf Course, seeks members and meets on Fridays. Phone 0418 690 377. Women of Dendy YWCA Golf Club meet at Brighton Golf Links, Dendy St, Brighton, on Monday mornings.

Details: 9592 1899

Adult learning

Glen Eira Adult Learning Centre is offering iPad, computer programs, digital technology, MYOB, medical reception, building employability skills, writing classes, painting and drawing, chi yoga and laughter wellness.

Details: 9578 8996 or gealc.org.au

Limber up

Join dance teacher and callisthenics coach Donna Gabriel at Ricketts Point for dance, weights, and a stretch 'n' strength session on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 9.30-10.30am.

Details: 0414 250 932

Lend a hand

South East Volunteers Bayside matches interested volunteers to suitable volunteer organisations.

Details: 9562 0414 or email info@sev.org.au

Volunteers needed

Bethlehem Community Palliative Care needs people for a new community program.

Details: 9595 3211

Frankston Community

(Source: Frankston City News)

FRANKSTON INDIGENOUS NURSERY OPEN

First Saturday of the month, 9am – 1pm

A variety of plants are available including tube-stock, six inch pots and young trees.

The Nursery is open until stock runs out, which is usually by late spring.

A group of friendly volunteers help propagate the plants. Please contact the Nursery if you'd like to join in.

Address: 7 McMannis Way, off McCulloch Avenue, Seaford. Details: 9768 1522 or 0417 142 514



Get active Peninsula

Activities Group hosts outings and trips. The group meets monthly in Frankston for a cuppa and nibbles and a speaker of interest. Details: 9775 2304

Seniors

Rosebud Over 50s Social Club is moving from the Rosebud Memorial Hall to the Over 50s Hall 121-123 Ninth Ave. Details: 5986 1923



Elvis Leaves his Mark -

Frankston RSL - **Date:** Saturday 5 August - **Time:** 8.30pm – **Location:** Frankston RSL, 183 Cranbourne Road, Frankston



Seniors activities

National Seniors Australia Frankston branch meeting starts at 10am on the last Wednesday of the month at St Francis Xavier Church Hall, Davey St, Frankston, at 9 30 am. Details: 9776 6648

Celebrating Neighbourhood Houses

Neighbourhood houses and community centres are a vital part of Frankston City and a great place to develop skills, hobbies, fitness, and friendship.

They provide a safe, comfortable, and welcoming place for people to meet, while encouraging the local community to gather and participate in a wide variety of programs.

Contact or drop in to any of the centres – all welcome.

Karingal Place Neighbourhood Centre

103 Ashleigh Avenue, Frankston

Details: 8786 6650 or karingalpnc.org.au

Ebdale Community Hub and Learning Centre

20 Ebdale Street, Frankston

Details: 9293 7102 or frankston.vic.gov.au

Frankston North Community Centre

26 Mahogany Avenue, Frankston North

Details: 8773 9545 or frankston.vic.gov.au

Frankston South Community and Recreation Centre

55 Towerhill Road, Frankston South

Details: 9293 7122 or frankston.vic.gov.au

Langwarrin Community Centre

2 Lang Road, Langwarrin

Details: 9789 7653 or langwarrincc.org.au

Lyrebird Community Centre

203 Lyrebird Drive, Carrum Downs

Details: 9782 0133 or lyrebird.org.au

Orwil Street Community House

16 Orwil Street, Frankston

Details: 9783 5073 or orwilst.org.au



Mid-afternoon women's workout



- Finding it hard to fit in fitness in the morning?
- Need a pick-me-up before the afternoon rush?

This class is perfectly timed before the school pick-up and suits part-time workers or women wanting a mid-afternoon reviver.

Tuesdays during school term, 2–3pm. \$8 per session.

Frankston South Community and Recreation Centre,
55 Towerhill Road.

Phone: 9293 7122

OPPORTUNITY SHOPS

RSPCA ANIMAL AID

Shop 4, 43 Playne St, Frankston

Phone: 9783 5994

Mon—Fri 9:30am-4:00pm; Sat 9:30am-12 noon
Clothing, linen, bric-a-brac, toys, dog food,
flea treatment supplies and dog accessories

BROTHERHOOD OF ST. LAURENCE

1-3 Station St, Seaford

Phone: 9786 7015

Mon—Fri 9:30am-4pm; Sat 9:30am-12 noon.
Clothing, linen, bric-a-brac and toys

The Village, 1195 Frankston Dandenong
Rd, Carrum Downs

Mon—Fri 9:00am-4:00pm; Sat 9:00am-12 noon.
Clothing, linen, bric-a-brac and toys

CITY LIFE

Shop 9 Station Street, Frankston

Phone: 9770 0660

Mon—Fri 10:00am-4:00pm; Sat 10:00am-1:00pm
Clothing, linen, bric-a-brac, toys and furniture

RED CROSS SHOP

13b Thompson St, Frankston

Phone: 9770 2355

Mon—Fri 9:30am-4:30pm; Sat 10:00am-
3:00pm Clothing, linen, bric-a-brac and toys

SALVATION ARMY THRIFT SHOP

33 Ross Smith Avenue, Frankston

Phone: 9781 2020

Mon—Fri 9:30am-4:00pm; Sat 9:30am-1:00pm
Clothing, linen, bric-a-brac, toys and furniture

VINNIES

80-82 Young Street, Frankston

Phone: 9769 6060

Mon — Fri 9:00am-4:00pm
Clothing, linen, bric-a-brac, toys and furniture

154 Austin Rd, Seaford

Phone: 9776 9264

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 9:00am-4:30pm;
Wed — 8:00am-4:00pm; Sat 9:00am-12 noon
Clothing, linen, bric-a-brac, toys

562 Frankston-Dandenong Rd. Carrum Downs

Phone: 9770 8669

Mon — Sat 9:00am-5:00pm
Clothing, linen, bric-a-brac, furniture and toys

ST. JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH OPPORTUNITY SHOP

Cnr Monterey Blvd & Frankston

Dandenong Rd, Frankston North

Phone: 0438 099 510

Mon 9:00am - 2:00pm; Thu 9:00am - 2:00pm
2nd and 4th Sat per month 10:00am - 1:00pm

FRANKSTON MARKET

Carpark, Young St Frankston

Every Sunday 8:00am-1:00pm

Entry: Gold coin donation

Clothing, bric-a-brac, toys, plants

SEAFORD FARMERS MARKET

Broughton Street reserve, Seaford

3rd Sunday each month 8:00am-1:00pm

Entry: \$2 donation

Where to find assistance

May 2017

In the Frankston area



• food • meals • groceries •
• op shops • markets •



35 Beach Street, Frankston
Phone: 9783 7284

COMMUNITY SUPPORT FRANKSTON
Inc. Reg. No. A0000431J ABN 65 426 151 625

FOOD AND GROCERIES

COMMUNITY SUPPORT FRANKSTON

MON, TUES, WED, FRI: 9:00am - 4:00pm

THURSDAY: 1:00pm - 4:00pm

35 Beach St, Frankston

Phone: 9783 7284

Subject to CSF assessment of financial crisis,
help may be provided in the form of overnight
groceries and assistance obtaining other
basic living essentials. An appointment is
recommended. Bring supporting documentation
to the interview.

PENINSULA CHRISTIAN CARE

TUESDAY Food Pantry 10:00am - 2:00pm (Must
phone for an appointment)

TUESDAY - THURSDAY Basic food relief 10:00am
- 4:00pm (not always open - phone first).

250 Frankston-Flinders Road, Frankston

Phone: 5971 4877

For Frankston and Baxter residents.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Phone: 9769 6060 to arrange a visit.

LIMITED VISITS EACH DAY

Please ring at 9:00am. Catholic volunteer
workers visit the client's home and assess level
of assistance needed. Available to Frankston,
Frankston North, Langwarrin and Seaford
residents (up to Armstrongs Rd) and Carrum
Downs residents west of McCormick's Rd.

Skye residents ring Cranbourne - 5995 0211. All
other areas phone 1300 305 330.

FREE MEALS — FRANKSTON

TUESDAY

Community Support Frankston

Free sandwiches available 1:00pm - 3:00pm

35 Beach Street, Frankston

Phone: 9783 7284

(Service finishing at the end of June 2017)

John Paul College Food Van

5:00pm - 7:00pm

Cnr Clyde & Station Street, Frankston

(Food parcels, tea, coffee, soup,

+ non perishable foods)

WEDNESDAY

Uniting Church

Free sausage sizzle 12:15pm - 1:00pm

16-18 High Street, Frankston

Phone: 9783 3400

Leawarra House

Dinner: 5:00pm - 6:00pm

200 Beach Street, Frankston

(Service finishing at the end of June 2017)

THURSDAY

Community Support Frankston

Free sandwiches available 1:00pm - 3:00pm

35 Beach Street, Frankston

Phone: 9783 7284

FRIDAY

Braap Community Support BBQ

\$2 Sausage sizzle (or free for homeless)

Every Friday 12:00pm - 1:00pm

35 Playne Street Frankston

Lifegate Inc. Food Van (Hot dogs)

7:00pm - 9:00pm

31 Beach St, Frankston (*Currently not

available) Front of Frank Building

MEALS — OTHER AREAS

Lunch — Matts Place

TUESDAY 11:30am - 1:00pm

St Chad's Church

12 - 14 Thames Promenade, Chelsea

Free hot lunch for homeless, lonely,
or disadvantaged people.

FOOD — OTHER AREAS

PANTRY 5000

WEDNESDAY 9:30am - 1:00pm

St Aidan's Church Hall

Cnr Poulson St & McLeod Rd, Carrum

Phone Parish office: 9772 1251

Postcode 3195, 3196, 3197, 3198, 3201 only

To receive a hamper you need:

- Current Health Care card
- Support Agency referral
- An interview so staff can provide the
level of food support you need

Your Pantry

MONDAY 9:00am - 12:30pm

WEDNESDAY 7:30am - 2:30pm

3-5 Blantyre Avenue, Chelsea

Chelsea Community Church of Christ

FRESH FOOD

SALVATION ARMY

Local residents only. No appointment needed.

FRIDAY: From 10:30am

17 Forest Drive, Frankston North

Ph: 9776 8456

TUESDAY: Fresh fruit, vegies, and bread.

Medicare card required

10-11am (First time registrations)

Food Distribution 11am-12pm

1265 Frankston-Dandenong Road,

Carrum Downs

Ph: 9775 1915

ST MARK'S UNITING CHURCH

THURSDAY 10:00am

50 Barkly St, Mornington

Free fresh food donated by farmers,
wholesalers, markets and supermarkets.

MARKETS

www.frankston.net

CONTACTS

Maintenance

Telephone: 03 9706 8005

Email: jim@sehc.org.au

Facsimile: 03 9706 8558

Online:

<http://www.sehc.org.au/index.php/services/maintenance-form>

<http://www.sehc.org.au/index.php/services/maintenance>

Tenancy

Telephone: 03 9706 8005

Email: joy@sehc.org.au

Facsimile: 03 9706 8558

Online:

<http://www.sehc.org.au/index.php/services/tenancy-form>

<http://www.sehc.org.au/index.php/services/tenancy>

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<http://www.sehc.org.au/index.php/contact/general-enquiry>

Fax: 03 9706 8558

E-mail: steven@sehc.org.au

Twitter: <http://twitter.com/SEHCOOP>



Plaza Business Centre

The Hub

Level 3, 26-36 McCrae Street

Dandenong VIC 3175

Phone: 03 9706 8005

SouthEast Office Location

The Hub, Palm Plaza, level 3, Plaza Business Centre, 26 to 36 McCrae St. Dandenong, 3175.

Phone 9706 8005. Melways map reference 91A E6

The Plaza Business Centre ground floor entrance is at the Hub arcade entrance of Palm Plaza.

The car park entrance is of Langhorne St. You may not enter Langhorne from Lonsdale St. Entry to Langhorne St is via Walker St. Don't forget to get a pay and display parking ticket.

The office is just through the car park entrance to the Plaza Business Centre on level 3.

The Dandenong train station is 10 mins walk south west from the Plaza Business Centre and there is a bus terminal in Langhorne St right near the Hub Arcade entrance.

There is free parking on level 4 and 5 of the Myer end of the Plaza Shopping Centre opposite the Plaza Business Centre. There is also free parking on the roof at the easterly end of the Plaza Shopping Centre.





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