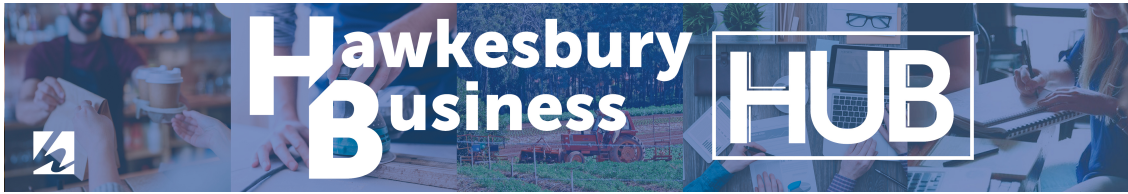


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Welcome to Hawkesbury Business Hub

Welcome to our first Hawkesbury Business Hub newsletter from Hawkesbury City Council. This monthly newsletter is for you - the Hawkesbury's business owners. The purpose of this newsletter is to:

- share information that can support your business today
- keep you up to date with Council's projects that will drive long-term local economic success
- celebrate the outstanding local businesses that keep our economy thriving.

Launching during this time of COVID-19 means it's more important than ever that local businesses are able to access government support where possible and that Council actively supports the Hawkesbury business community however it can. This month's edition includes:

- [Welcome from Amanda Kearney](#)
- [Launch of Hawkesbury Business Hub - join today!](#)
- [Government COVID-19 support information](#)
- [Support from Western Sydney Business Centre](#)
- [Revitalising Our Town Centres - Update](#)

We are always keen to build our knowledge and understanding of what Hawkesbury businesses need. Please share this newsletter with other local businesses, become a member of the Hawkesbury Business Hub and please tell us what you think.



Hello and welcome

Having excitedly taken up the position of City Design and Economic Development Manager for Hawkesbury City Council in August last year, I have been overwhelmed by the resilience and

[Subscribe](#)[Past Issues](#)determination of our local business community
during the past nine months[Translate ▼](#)

My role at Council is to develop an Economic Development Strategy which will set the vision and framework for economic development in the Hawkesbury. One of the current projects for which I'm responsible is the Hawkesbury Liveability Project which is the revitalisation of three town centres: Richmond, South Windsor and Windsor. I have worked in numerous business development roles across a number of Sydney councils over the past twenty years and am looking forward to working with you to build a vibrant local economy.

If I haven't yet met you in person, I hope to have the chance once we're through this challenging and disruptive time. Please feel free to call me on 4560 4437 or 0418 296 579 or email Amanda.Kearney@hawkesbury.nsw.gov.au as I continue to learn about the incredible business people in the Hawkesbury.

Amanda Kearney, Hawkesbury City Council




[Hawkesbury Business Hub is live - join today!](#)

Our Hawkesbury Business Hub was recently launched to help support our local business community. We now have a new addition to the Hub which is a Business Directory. Hawkesbury City Council encourages you to drop a pin in the location of your local business and tell us all about your business, your history, what you offer, your business hours and any current special offers.

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 Follow this link to our [Business Hub Directory Map](#)

 See what our Business Hub has to offer [here](#)

 If you would like assistance with setting up your business in our directory, call our Customer Service Team on 4560 4444.

Government assistance during COVID-19

All levels of government want to support our small to medium businesses at this most challenging time for our economy and community as a whole. Following is a series of links to key government advice and assistance packages that may apply to your circumstances. We encourage you to apply where relevant.



Australian Government

[Federal Government:](#)

[Boosting cashflow for SMEs](#)

[Employers with apprentices and trainees](#)

[Workplace Health & Safety and Covid-19](#)

[Jobkeeper payments](#)



[State Government:](#)

[Grants and loans](#)

[Help for small business](#)

[Financial assistance for business and employers](#)

WSBC free online training

Western Sydney Business Centre is offering a series of free webinars to help businesses acquire and refine essential skills. Click [here](#) to learn more.



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[Revitalising Our Town Centres - Update](#)

Masterplans are being developed to help revitalise the town centres of Richmond, South Windsor and Windsor for locals and visitors alike, while investigating new and improved elements to be included in the town centres, some of which may be implemented in other towns and villages.

Extensive stakeholder engagement commenced in November 2019 using streetwalks, online surveys, post-cards and pop-up community engagement sessions.

A Town Centre Masterplan Working Group meeting and Councillor workshop have just been held to share findings from the consultation as well as copies of the draft Master Plan and Public Domain Plan. The plans will be finalised and sent to a future Council meeting. Following this, the plans will be placed on public exhibition.



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