

Getting L2P on the road in Geelong

The opportunity

The City of Greater Geelong considered developing a learner driver mentor program after hearing of the Sunbury Drive 120 program

Preliminary investigations and discussions with service clubs suggested it would be HUGE to implement

Concept was put on the back burner while Fit to Drive program was implemented in secondary schools

L2P identified as key priority

- RoadSafe Young Driver conference Sept 07
 - heard from Frankston program
- VicRoads regional info sessions December 07
 - RSO and Youth Development Coordinator attended
- Cross-departmental relationships established
 - Keys Please
 - Looking After Our Mates
 - Fit to Drive Year 11 workshop

CoGG Youth Strategy 2007 - 2011

- Youth Strategy 2007-2011 provided Council with an opportunity to reassess the strategic direction
- Youth Strategy's development was informed by consultation with young people, service providers and government
- recommendations for improvements, redirection of resources and increased emphasis on building capacity and partnerships both within Council and the larger service sector

Youth Strategy Key Area 4 – Programs and Events

- **Objective - *develop social and cultural programs for young people***
 - tackle over representation of young people in car accidents
 - broker flagship young people's driving program
 - identify opportunities for funding, partnerships and collaborations

Why Youth Development Unit?

- Youth Strategy 2007 – 2011 completed
 - Partnerships and collaborations identified
 - Road safety identified
- YDU well connected to local network agencies and services in target group
- Value adding to L2P
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- Councillor support

Planning for a Geelong L2P

Commenced in January 2008

CoGG team (road safety, youth, community development)

Identified key players including RoadSafe Barwon

Initiated steering group

Where are we now?

Position advertised

Steering Committee meetings

Vehicles

Other issues

- geographical size of municipality
- three separate locations identified



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