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Discovering the Silver Lining

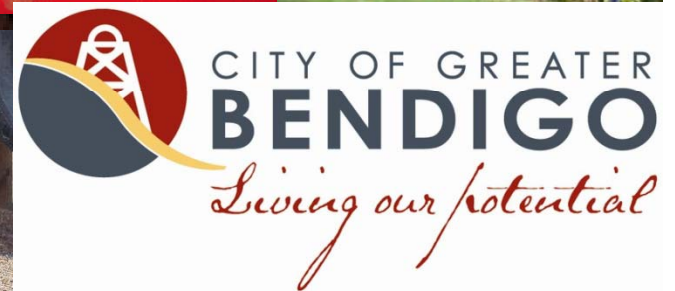
2010 LGPRO
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

18-19 February 2010
Melbourne Park Function Centre

The Journey Continues



- Bendigo – a Child Friendly City



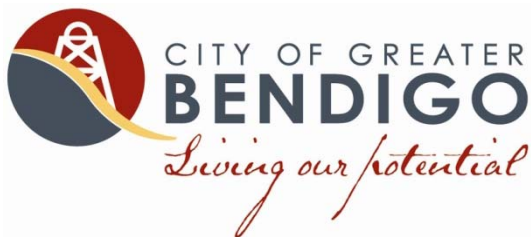
Achievements to date

- Interviewed 500 children within the municipality
- Education of Politicians at all three levels of government.
- Education of Local Government Staff
- Creating national awareness within the Early Years Sector
- Development of business and service sector awareness-CFC Sticker



Reflections

- What is a Child Friendly City?



Innovative Practice

- Children's Web page www.childfriendlycity.com.au
- Consultation with children
- Access for children ages 3 to 12 years
- Interactive, informative, opportunity to explore Bendigo
- Information for parents



Innovative practices

- Leadership Group
- Development of Strategic Plan
- Working towards an Executive Officer



Innovative Practices

- Early Start to School



Innovative practices



Child Friendly Communities Conference – 15th April 2010

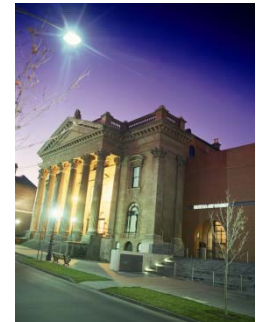
'The Place of the Child in Community Building'

The purpose of the Conference is to explore:

- The nature of the cultural shift required to maintain and sustain our Child Friendly communities.
- The role of the principles and practices of community development in facilitating a 'whole of community' approach that responds better to the needs of the child.

Workshops will explore:

- Community Engagement: *How to think laterally for better outcomes.*
- Sustainability: *An excuse for doing nothing or a call to take up the challenge?*
- The Voice of the Child: *How do we ensure that it is heard above the rabble of our planning processes?*
- The Built Environment: *Planning for expediency or driving the Cultural Shift?*



For further information as it develops – www.bendigo.vic.gov.au/children