

WELCOME



This year we have become familiar with the word 'unprecedented', from the 2019/20 bushfires that had the East coast of Australia ablaze, burning over 17million hectares¹, compared to the 400,000 hectares burned during the Black Saturday Bushfires, to the pandemic of COVID-19 in which the world currently sees itself.

When we reflect on the impacts of these disasters, we don't just think of the infrastructure or the housing that has been destroyed, but we think of how communities are impacted

and how lives are affected.

In the aftermath, as the fires were contained and communities were re-opened, campaigns such as "empty esky" were started to support the re-building of economies and to encourage travellers to visit, but restrictions put into place in mid-March following the state of emergency stifled this movement. For these hopefully resilient communities which have had to overcome drought, fires and more, Project Management can be implemented in a way that has positive long lasting effects on the fabric of a community as it begins its long journey to re-build.

In this edition we focus on community projects for which PSA has been providing support in the form of reviewing construction methodologies & timing, regular monitoring of the construction process, and providing reports to identify potential critical impacts on project completion. These services have enabled the community to be stronger while at the same time providing real value to individuals and organisations within community networks. Apart from bushfire recovery, we have been involved with projects that are planned and designed to enhance the lives of their local communities, such as the Geelong Performing Arts Centre, Balwyn Community Hub and Broadmeadows Town Hall.

In this edition we also consider outcomes of this year's dramatic events, where PSA has been working with the AIPM to form a Community of Practice that can apply PSA's proven Post Disaster methodology to assist in Bushfire affected communities, as well as lessons to be learned and methods that can be implemented to help prepare for largescale shutdowns brought on by a COVID-19 scale pandemic.

PROGRAM SUCCESS FACTORS

POST DISASTER COMMUNITY PROJECT MANAGEMENT



Recent events have shifted the spotlight from the devastation of the 2019-20 bushfires to COVID-19. Aware of the serious needs of bushfire affected Communities PSA launched an appeal with the support of the AIPM to Project Management Professionals to assemble a Community of Practice to provide skilled and capable resources to aid in a Community led recovery.

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RISK MANAGEMENT IN THE CURRENT ENVIRONMENT



The COVID-19 restrictions have had extremely detrimental impacts on many projects. Could these have been largely prevented? We identify the simple lessons to be learned that could help your organisation prepare for future disasters.

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A ONE-STOP COMMUNITY HUB FOR BALWYN



Set in beautiful parklands, with a natural water course and established native bushland, the Balwyn Community Centre has undergone a major upgrade to meet the community's health and wellbeing needs. For its multi-functional facility, the Council engaged PSA to support the delivery of its final stages to enable the transition to community.

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HUME COMMUNITY SPACES COME TO LIFE



It is not easy to encompass a sense of community with updated public facilities that will stand the test of time. We congratulate the Broadmeadows Town Hall Team on the redevelopment completed late 2019. See how PSA Project worked with Hume City Council to achieve this.

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THE CREATIVE HEART OF GEELONG



PSA congratulates Development Victoria and is pleased to have played a valued role in the completion of Stage 2 upgrade works at the Geelong Performing Arts Centre. The space will now provide additional studio spaces and other facilities for the Geelong community.

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VICTORIA UNIVERSITY UNVEILS NEW LEARNING SPACES



There has been a new addition to facilities offered by Victoria University. The Sunshine Skills Hub and College of Health & Biomedicine have opened providing huge new offerings in terms of learning spaces and technologies.

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AMP UNVEILS THE REFURBISHED COLLINS PLACE FORECOURT & LOBBIES



While the Collins Place forecourt has been somewhat quieter recently due to current restrictions, AMP have been transforming the entrance of this iconic building along with refurbishment of multiple office levels & lift lobbies. PSA has played a significant role in the ongoing monitoring of these works to completion.

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