

Inquiry into building new communities: final report

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Reference:

Key Words:

Urban planning, community development

Research aim:

The report of the Inquiry into Building Stronger Communities is about building stronger communities in Melbourne's rapidly growing urban-rural 'Interface' areas, the core ideas being community strengthening, community engagement and social capital.

Results/Conclusion:

The Committee's main finding in this report is that good urban design alone is not enough to build successful new communities in the context of rapid growth and demographic change. More can be done to assist and empower communities to work through their own issues by supporting the individuals and community groups that sustain social cohesion, by removing impediments to community action and by encouraging and being more open to engagement by citizens. A chapter on volunteering found that volunteering can be made more inclusive of the population groups mentioned in the Terms of Reference: young people, culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) communities, people with disabilities and older people.

Implications:

Cultural Group(s):

Location of study:

Victoria (Melbourne)

Age group:

Number included in study:

N/A

Type of participants:

Research approach:

Type of data:

Secondary data sources used:

Specific scales or analytical techniques used:

Implications/ Recommendations:

Notes:

Not research specific to CALD older people - urban development scoping project with consideration of the needs of different population sub-groups.