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Quarterly Report to the Region July to September 2022

Top 5 Achievements





- 1. Illawarra-Shoalhaven Greater Cities Partnership Launched
- 2. Leadership Illawarra Program celebrates 10 year anniversary
- 3. RDA Illawarra added our voice to Jobs and Skills Summit
- 4. Board met with the Hon Peter Poulos, MLC, Parliamentary Secretary for Wollongong and the Illawarra
- 5. RDA Illawarra introduces economic modelling and regional comparison services

Illawarra-Shoalhaven Greater Cities Partnership Launched



The Illawarra-Shoalhaven Greater Cities Partnership <u>Prospectus</u> was launched on 11 October and aims to deliver more than 12,000 jobs during the next decade while delivering transformative and aspirational projects worth \$1.9 billion.

The prospectus has been two years in development and builds on the successful 2020 Illawarra-Shoalhaven City Deal which attracted more than \$470 million in funding to progress crucial regional projects. Key projects targeted in the prospectus include:

- Port Kembla Industrial Precinct
- Advanced Manufacturing Precinct
- Marine Tourism Precinct
- Illawarra Sports and Entertainment Precinct
- Picton Road Duplication
- South-West Illawarra Rail Link (SWIRL)
- Marine Tourism Highway (Blue Highway)
- 30-minute City Public Transport
- M1 Southern Access





Read more about the Illawarra-Shoalhaven Greater Cities Partnership <u>here</u>.

Leadership Illawarra Program celebrates 10 year anniversary



The Leadership Illawarra Program celebrated 10 years on 10 October with alumni, current participants and program partners. In the last 10 years the two-year experiential learning program has supported 101 participants aged from 26 to 59 years.

The Leadership Illawarra Program is a partnership between RDA Illawarra, the <u>Sydney</u> Business School, University of Wollongong and The Illawarra Connection.

The program draws people of all ages and backgrounds with experience in different fields and provides them with strong connections, leadership coaching and an understanding of both the broader community needs and the needs of Illawarra industries and organisations.





Find out more about the Leadership Illawarra Program <u>here</u>.

RDA Illawarra added our voice to Jobs and Skills Summit





RDA Illawarra provided input and regional intelligence to influence the federal government Jobs and Skills Summit that took place on 1 and 2 September.

RDA Illawarra CEO, Debra Murphy attended a round-table with RDA's from across NSW in Canberra on 18 August with the newly appointed Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Territories, The Hon Kristy McBain MP.

On 19 August, RDA Illawarra added our voice at a local jobs forum hosted by the Hon Stephen Jones MP, Federal Member for Whitlam and Alison Byrnes MP, Federal Member for Cunningham.

Board met with the Hon Peter Poulos, MLC, Parliamentary Secretary for Wollongong and the Illawarra



The RDA Illawarra Board met with the Hon Peter Poulos, MLC, Parliamentary Secretary for Wollongong and the Illawarra, at their August Board meeting.

Discussions were fulsome and robust and included milestones and next steps on strategic initiatives in the <u>RDA Illawarra Strategy and Business Plan</u>.



RDA Illawarra introduces economic modelling and regional comparison services





Browse Information about the Illawarra

In this section you can select from the menu items below to display detailed information about the Illawarra - our economy, liveability and people. If you have chosen to compare the Illawarra with another region, those comparisons will be displayed here.

Economy	Liveability	People
Activity	Cultural Diversity	Community
Agriculture	Dwellings	Cultural Diversity
Community	Education	Dwellings
Economy	Environment	Education
Education	Families & Households	Families & Households
Employment	Health	Health
Environment	Incomes	Incomes
Incomes	Megatrends	Megatrends
Land Area	Population	Population
Megatrends	Society	Society
Property		
Resilience		
Retail		
Society		

RDA Illawarra is now using AEC's DataAU platform to utilise and share the latest available data from several reliable sources.

<u>The Illawarra Profile</u> is the latest addition to our RDA website and allows the user to learn more about the region and compare selected data with other regions nationwide.

Support is available for your next grant application, please contact us at admin@rdaillawarra.com.au.

Access the Profile of the Illawarra platform <u>here</u>.

RDA Illawarra Board



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More information on the RDA Illawarra Board members can be found <u>here</u>.

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