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The **Fowler Champion**

Bring Your Bill Day



Celebrating Community Engagement and Addressing Local Issues in Fowler

Welcome to our 2nd edition of the Fowler Champion for 2024!

Lots have happened in the three months since our last newsletter. In our community I have had the privilege of participating in various cross-cultural celebrations, such as the Croatian Folkloric Anniversary, the Assyrian Martyr Day, World Refugee Day, the Serbian Folkloric Festival, and Mandeian New Year. These events highlight the rich cultural tapestry of our community and our shared commitment to inclusivity.

In Parliament, I've been advocating on crucial issues affecting our daily lives, from the potential risks of a cashless society to the challenges of rising fuel prices, energy costs, and tertiary education expenses. My goal has always been to ensure that your voices are heard. Additionally, I've been a strong advocate for Fowler's small and medium businesses, as well as our manufacturing sector, which represents an impressive 40% of our local economy.

My team and I actively support local initiatives that strengthen community bonds and foster economic growth. We regularly visit local businesses, demonstrating our commitment to supporting local entrepreneurs and enhancing our communities across sectors such as food processing, manufacturing, health, and more.

Our engagement with educational institutions, like St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Prairievale Public School or Carramar Public school, underscores our dedication to fostering educational opportunities.

At St Joseph's, we facilitated a Parliamentary Education Program, while our visit to Prairievale allowed us to connect with students in meaningful ways.

We continue door-knocking throughout the Fowler area, listening to concerns about the cost of living, resource shortages, and infrastructure needs. Door knocking keeps my ears and eyes to the ground giving me the opportunity to listen to what matters to you and your families most.

In this edition, I reaffirm my commitment to serving you as the Independent Member for Fowler. Please contact my office to discuss the topics featured here or other matters important to you. Below, you'll find a list of recent and upcoming events, reflecting our determination to address Fowler residents' needs in education, health, housing, employment, and manufacturing.

"It's an honour to serve you, and I will continue to listen to your issues, and bring them to the Federal Parliament."

Dai Le
Independent Federal Member for Fowler



In Canberra



Parliamentary Friends of St John Ambulance Australia

It was great to see the dedicated St John volunteers and meet the Lord Prior, Professor Mark Compton, St John International at Parliamentary Friends of St John Ambulance Australia event



Dietitians Australia - Lunchbox Challenge

Are your children's lunch boxes healthy? I joined the Pollie Lunchbox Challenge organised by Dietitians Australia to highlight the importance of prioritising early childhood nutrition in Australia's national health policies.



Arete Health Care, Lansdowne Aged Care Facility

It was wonderful to welcome residents from Lansdowne Aged Care in Cabramatta to Parliament House



The Arab Council

Members of The Arab Council visit as part of Fostering Integration Program



Keeping Cash Transactions in Australia Bill 2024

In support of the Private Members Bill "Keeping Cash Transactions in Australia Bill 2024" introduced by Member for Calare and Member for Kennedy



National Leadership Forum Fowler representatives

Fowler nominees of the National Leadership Forum in Canberra being inspired and equipped to be the next generation of Australian leaders

Available and Upcoming Grants

Explore a comprehensive list of available and upcoming grants designed to support non-profit and local community organisations in the Fowler area at Daile.com.au.

This dedicated page is a valuable resource for discovering funding opportunities tailored to various community initiatives and projects. Whether you're looking to enhance community services, fund educational programs, or develop new initiatives, you'll find grants that cater to a wide range of needs and interests.

Our goal is to empower local organisations by providing you with the resources you need to make a meaningful impact in our community. Don't miss out on these opportunities—visit the website to find the perfect grant for your organisation and start making a difference today!

**Volunteer Grants
recipients morning tea**



**Sponsorships
grant for students
Science engagement
and international
competition 2024**



Visiting Local Schools



Prairievale Public School Community Hub

Met with parents, teachers and the team at Community Hub Australia



Woolworths Junior Landcare Grants Program

Visited Bonnyrigg Childcare Centre with Mayor Frank Carbone for the Woolworths Junior Landcare Grants program



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Attended the Parliamentary Education Program geared towards educating students on government processes

Our Community



LinkedIn: Celebration of World Refugee Day

Spoke on my personal journey at the Refugee Week's LinkedIn Panel



Assyrian Martyrs Day

Commemorated the Assyrian Martyrs Day, and the 91st Anniversary of the Semele Massacre, (ܦܕܝܬܐ ܕܫܡܥܠܐ) with Mayor Frank Carbone, which was organised by the Assyrian Democratic Movement (Zowaa)



Sabean Mandaean New Year

Celebrated the Mandaean New Year. This vibrant and culturally rich event is a wonderful opportunity to learn about and honor the traditions of one of our diverse local communities



The Alpha & Omega Ministries Fijian Community visit

Met with Rev Kelepi Kubuameca, Charmain of the Alpha & Omega Ministries as well as Rev Seleni Vuetaki and teams



Celebrating small business

Attended the community opening of a new local business in the area



Harrington Park Public School

Presented Parliament Certificates to Harrington Park Public School students



Woolworths Junior Landcare Grants Program

Joined the Woolworths Junior Landcare Grants Program at Bonnyrigg Childcare center



Cabramatta High School

Attended the Sponsorships Grants for Student Science Engagement and International Competitions 2024



Cambodia Vision Annual Fundraiser Dinner

Attended the Cambodia Vision Annual Fundraiser Dinner with over 650 dignitaries, sponsors, supporters, and Rotarians



Lindo's 50th anniversary Croatian Folkloric

Celebrated the 50-year anniversary of the Australian Group, Lindo at the King Tom Club at Edensor Park



Vesak Celebration

Attended the Vesak Celebration day to commemorate the Birth, Enlightenment and Passing of Lord Buddha



Uniting Kankama Village & Bernard Austin Lodge

Visited our elderly at the Uniting Bernard Austin Lodge Liverpool Residential Aged care



Unity in Diversity Expo 2024

Attended the Unity in Diversity Expo with Councillor Kevin Lam, in support of NDIS providers and the wider community



Vietnam Veterans Day

We gathered to honour and remember our Vietnam Veterans and their families and paid tribute to their courage, sacrifice, and service



St Rita Melkite Catholic Parish

Attended St Rita Melkite Catholic Parish 20th Anniversary



Celebrating small business

Recognised the growth of small businesses with the opening of a new law firm in the area



Cheese Factory

Cheese tasting at one of our very own local cheese manufacturers

Bring Your Bill Day

Following the success of the March 2024 Bring Your Bill Day, my team and I collaborated with government agencies and non-profit organisations to host another successful event at the Bonnyrigg Community Services Centre on Tuesday, August 6th, 2024.

This initiative connected over two hundred community members with vital services, providing access to information, schemes, and subsidies to help with utility bills, food relief support, and more. Bring Your Bill Day enabled us to offer practical solutions that provide immediate support and alleviate the cost-of-living pressures in our community.

I remain committed to advocating for our community and pressing the government to take further action on these critical issues.

If you're struggling to pay a bill and need information on available schemes and subsidies, please contact my office or visit daile.com.au/cost-of-living-support



Urgent Care Clinic

Liverpool



Since 2019, I have fought and successfully secured funding to increase the electricity capacity at Fairfield Hospital, enabling it to have Wi-Fi. While the hospital's Wi-Fi has improved, it still faces challenges such as overcoming overcrowding in the emergency department (ED). To address this, I have supported the Federal Government's short-term solution of creating Medicare Urgent Care Clinics (UCCs) to divert patients from our EDs.

Recently, I had the opportunity to visit the new UCC in Liverpool, located on Level 2 of Westfield. During my visit, I met with the principal doctor, Dr Marcus, and the CEO of the South Western Sydney Primary Health Network, Keith McDonald. The next UCC is planned for Fairfield LGA and will be part of the 87 federally funded UCCs that offer walk-in care, seven days a week over extended hours, and completely bulk billed.

Diabetes Australia

According to Diabetes Australia, more than 300 Australians develop diabetes every day. That's one person every five minutes. With 7.7% of our Fowler population living with diabetes, we are acutely aware of the challenges this condition presents.

For National Diabetes Week, we collaborated with Diabetes Australia to hold an information stall to raise awareness and connect our residents with health professionals. This initiative was designed for our community to understand the range of services and support, including programs delivered locally in Western Sydney in Vietnamese and other languages.

Currently, I am supporting Diabetes Australia in their campaign for more affordable access to diabetes technologies. This is crucial to help manage the condition, especially for Fowler, given that the rate of diabetes in our community is significantly higher than in other parts of Australia.



Parliament Update

Cash use is a vital part of the Fowler electorate and many culturally and linguistically diverse communities. In the aftermath of COVID-19 and the resulting health orders, businesses are rapidly moving towards a cashless economy. I recognise that such a shift does not work for our electorate, as many individuals may still feel distrustful of the banking system.

Together with Andrew Gee MP and Bob Katter MP, I have supported a private bill, Keeping Cash Transactions in Australia Bill 2024, which would require businesses operating in face-to-face settings to accept cash payments. This is the way forward to protect the cash economy from further decline.



Support for Cash Economy

In light of the findings of the royal commission into aged care, it is evident that our aged care system is broken and due for reform. The Government is developing a new Aged Care Act aimed at strengthening the system, with plans to introduce it later this year.

I have taken the initiative to organise an Aged Care Forum inviting nurses and providers to share their experiences and issues about the aged care system. This Forum has given me a deeper understanding of the critical issues at hand, which I will raise when the new Aged Care Bill is introduced in Parliament.



Aged Care Forum



Education Matters

Since being elected, I have consistently advocated for improvement of our education system. I strongly believe that young people are the future of Australia, and we must have a solid blueprint for them to succeed. I am pleased that, following my persistent efforts in Parliament, the HECS indexation has been brought down to 4 percent and last year's down to 3.2 per cent after being backdated. This is only the surface of many more issues to be addressed regarding the education system. With the support of my Fowler Youth Advisory Committee, I will continue to push for reforms to ensure young Australians have equitable access to education to equip them for the future of work.



Not enough budget for Fowler

During the final sitting week before the winter break, I had the chance to address this year's budget once more. I expressed my concerns that the budget has overlooked the people of Fowler in its grand plan for a future made in Australia. While I appreciate the \$300 one-off energy relief provided to Australian households, it is merely a temporary fix and falls short for families grappling with the cost-of-living crisis. I am acutely aware of the challenges faced by our electorate, from household expenses to businesses striving to survive. Small businesses, in particular, were shortchanged in the budget. They were provided a one off \$325 rebate and an extension of the \$20,000 instant asset write-off for another year. Many business owners have told me that their equipment costs far exceed \$20,000, and they were hoping for more substantial support to continue operating in this difficult economic environment.

ENERGY BILL

Your latest energy bill is ready

Your customer number:
LM 67 38 64 34

How do I pay?

Your payment is due by
25th July

Pay by this date and you'll benefit
our Prompt Payment Discount.

\$366.85

Electricity debt: \$121.64
Gas and Energy Debt: \$245.21
Gas and Electricity Tariff:

Your energy
\$246.67

Gas total: \$100
Electricity total:

FUEL OFFER

Present this document to receive a discount
of 4.0 cents per litre off the pump price.
Limit 150 litres per customer.
This docket offer expires: 24/06/2024

Community News

Congratulatory Certificates

Are you celebrating a special milestone in your life? A significant birthday, anniversary or just wanting a congratulatory certificate. Our office would love to help you celebrate this special occasion.

Email us at info@daile.com.au to request a certificate for yourself or a family member.



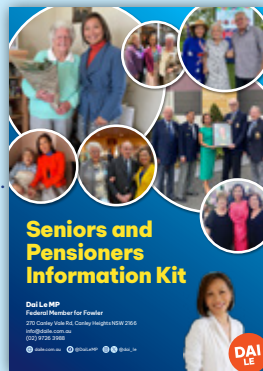
Seniors & Pensioners Information Kit

We're pleased to announce that the Seniors and Pensioners Information Kit is now available for all Fowler constituents. This comprehensive resource provides valuable information tailored to the needs of seniors and pensioners in our community.

You can access the Information Kit in the following ways:

- **Online:** Download it from our website at daile.com.au/seniors-pensioners
- **In Person:** Pick up a hard copy at our office.
- **By Request:** Email us at info@daile.com.au to request a kit for yourself or a family member.

This kit is designed to ensure you have easy access to the information and support you need.



Request a King Charles Portrait

We are pleased to announce that the official portraits of His Majesty King Charles III have arrived at our electorate office. Email us at info@daile.com.au to request a portrait for yourself or a family member.



The Alpha & Omega Ministries Fijian Community Visit



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What issues do you want addressed in our community?

Scan the QR code and let me know!

E-Newsletter – Dai LE

On 1 August, I launched a new e-Newsletter—a convenient, monthly email delivering summaries of available grants, upcoming events organised by my office, and updates from Parliament House directly to your inbox.

In today's fast-paced and often overwhelming world, it can be challenging to stay informed. This newsletter aims to provide a concise recap of the most important political issues and highlight the support my office offers to the Fowler community. Our goal is to keep you informed and assist you with any needs.

Subscribe now by scanning the QR code and stay connected with all the essential updates and resources we provide. We are here to serve you!

Scan this QR code to subscribe!



Join Our Team as a Bilingual Volunteer!

Our office is looking for passionate bilingual volunteers to help serve our diverse community. If you speak Vietnamese or Arabic, your skills can make a real difference in supporting our local residents.

Volunteers will get the opportunity to see the work we do to represent our diverse community. You will get the opportunity to assist our Electorate team in engaging with our non-English speaking residents coming to the office asking for assistance or at events. Your ability to understand and speak fluent in Vietnamese, Chinese or Arabic to our constituents would help our processing of their requests more efficient. This is a unique opportunity to give back, connect with others, and be part of positive change in Fowler. Your time and expertise are invaluable in strengthening our community's voice.

Join us today and make an impact! By expressing your interest through daile.com.au/volunteer