
MM8/21 JOBKEEPER - Mayor, Councillor Jerome Laxale

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After receiving significant community feedback from workers and small business, Council should call on the Federal Government to bring back a revised version of Jobkeeper.

Families are hurting. Businesses are suffering. The virus is spreading.

Current federal and state government support for workers and businesses, whilst welcome, is too restricted, too complicated and just not enough to pay the growing costs of this harsher and potentially longer lockdown.

If Governments want citizens to stay at home and businesses to close, they need to ensure that our jobs and income are secure.

To keep our city safe, to ensure people have income and job security, and to ensure that we avoid another recession, it is clear that the Federal Government needs to bring back jobkeeper.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That the City of Ryde support the bi-partisan calls from the NSW Treasurer and the NSW Opposition Leader for the reintroduction of JobKeeper.
- (b) That the City of Ryde acknowledges the well publicised issues with the first version of JobKeeper and encourages the Federal Government to fix them while also expanding eligibility to casuals, the University sector, Local Government and the Childcare industry.
- (c) That the Mayor write to the Prime Minister, the Treasurer, respective Shadow Ministers, and the Member for Bennelong John Alexander OAM MP advising them of the City of Ryde's position.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

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