



The role of place making in the creation of great public libraries



Challenges and Opportunities

- The way we gather and consume knowledge is changing rapidly
- We are a diverse and fast growing region
- New communities form every day while mature communities struggle to adjust
- The role of public libraries is being tested
- In the middle of all this we are getting a brand new library





Casey Cardinia **Libraries**

'Inspiring spaces where everyone is free to discover possibilities'

Libraries are the 21st Century Knowledge Wells



- Create safe and welcoming places where everyone can gather, learn, share and grow
- Lead positive change through partnerships and teamwork with business, community and government
- Strengthen capacity in our growing community
- Encourage reading and lifelong learning
- Build an outstanding and innovative organization



Bunjil Place Vision

To create an inviting central heart for the community that celebrates participation, belonging and civic pride.





The Visitor Comes First

- Creating a sense of welcome
- Ease of access
- Seamless provision of information
- Space for people and their brains
- We love books, but...





The Only Way is Up!

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Bunjil Place Library – Momentum Vs Perfection



- Double visitation
- Increased loans from smaller collection
- Whole new cohort of library users
- Pivot for change in CCL culture
- A crucible for new service delivery models
- Some things will work, some wont!



People at the Heart

- Whole of precinct approach
- Develop our people
- Support existing members while welcoming new customers
- Encourage repeat visitation



