# Collaborative Planning Committee

Date: Wednesday 31 August 2022

Time: 2-4:00 pm

Location: Zoom

### In attendance

Louise Glanville (VLA Chair), Lynne Haultain (VLF), Anne Lenton (Djirra), Adam Awty (LIV) Louisa Gibbs (Federation of Community Legal Centres)

Guests: Kathryn Bannon (DJCS – entire meeting as delegate), Kai Li Zhu (Vic Bar – entire meeting as delegate), George Habib (VLA Board), Professor Nigel Balmer, VLF)

Martha Arkalis (VLA, Secretariat)

Peter Noble (VLA, Observer)

Keren Murray, Consultant (Observer)

### Apologies

Marian Chapman (DJCS), Nerita Waight (VALS), Gordon Chisholm (Vic Bar)

## Meeting summary

The committee met online. The committee opened with an Acknowledgement of Country, noting the many First Nations lands from which committee members joined the discussion and that lands that were never ceded

The committee welcomed Kai Li Zhu from the Victorian Bar, noting apologies from Gordon Chisolm and Kathryn Bannon from the DJCS noting apologies from Marian Chapman. The committee also noted an apology from Nerita Waight (VALS). The committee also welcomed VLA Board member, George Habib for a Board committee discussion and Professor Nigel Balmer from the Victoria Law Foundation for a discussion on the Public Understanding of Law Survey. The committee also welcomed Keren Murray, Consultant, as an observer to this meeting.

The committee discussed:

* The work of the Victorian Law Foundation in undertaking the Public Understanding of Law Survey and its progress to date.
* The Federation of Community Legal Centres 10 year sector plan, and workforce reports including legal education, workforce profiles, and COVID-19 experiences and lessons.
* An update on Department of Justice and Community Safety (DJCS) Legal Assistance Strategy 2022–25 and the draft legal assistance action plan.
* The CPC evaluation conducted by Keren Murray. This evaluation is an independent review of the work of the Committee since inception.

The committee will next meet on 30 November 2022.