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## Liveability in the South East Stakeholder Forum

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#### Thursday 12th November 2015

On Thursday 12th November 2015, 68 representatives from a range of agencies from across the *enliven* membership and catchment, gathered to discuss current challenges and future opportunities.

This report is summary account of the participant contributions and participant reflections garnered at the Forum.

#### The Purpose of Our Forum

To shape the future strategic direction of *enliven*, to add value to, and best meet the needs of our members, broader stakeholders and community.







# Our Hopes

We shared what we hoped to achieve by 12.00pm.

Explore partnership opportunities. Update on local initiatives. Climate change.

Learn about and support LGBTI inclusive practice and address gaps e.g. social groups. How to share ideas. Expand networks. Greater sense of *enliven*'s priorities. Clarity of regional challenges that may present opportunities. What *enliven* can do to support agencies.

Priority groups. Regional connections. Shared learning. Agreed priority focus. Communication strategies. Forums for key reform.

Eat our eggs. Collaborate. Energised. Understand direction and focus of **enliven**. Share.

Identify additional supports/ care co-ordination opportunities to build on existing services. Increasing knowledge of who's out there doing what? Key issues.

Networking. Future strategy/ priorities for *enliven*. Community engagement/ involvement in stakeholder forum for perspective.

Understand more about the role of *enliven*.
Understanding of the care pathways and connections with services - broader help for refugees.

Knowledge of what people do/roles - even non health services. Understanding stakeholder needs regarding refugee and asylum seeker health. What do members want *enliven* to do? How *enliven* enhances service delivery and contributes to mental health.

Better understanding of what is happening in the region. Identify stakeholders for regional planning.

Priorities for *enliven*. An understanding of *enliven*'s role in the community. Making new connections with other people working in the region - collaboration and synergy.

Started planning for a well connected community in the whole south east (or several) which caters for diversity and welcomes the growing refugee groups and caters for their needs.

A good relationship between enliven and PHN. Clarity and relevance of PCP's. enliven to focus climate change work on most vulnerable communities. Improved connections between Monash Health and enliven.

Redefine catchment priority. Scope and capacity to support refugees and asylum seekers in south east region.

## Our Collective Ideas

Having spent time sharing our thoughts about our current operational context participants generated a range of ideas and activities. Towards the end of our forum we voted to identify which ideas were emerging as our leading suggestions.

#### Broaden Beyond Health

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Close gaps.	Cultural, gender, families - the community.
Range of services, not well connected or promoted.	Improve knowledge of services between providers and importantly community awareness of services available.
Sharing initiatives and information.	Increased facilitation.
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Range of services, not well connected or promoted.	To broaden ideas on Liveability and how different groups can contribute towards this. Bringing together people/groups to avoid duplicability.	0
Sharing initiatives and information.	Defining essence of belonging. Connection to culture.	3





## Planning and Prioitisation

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Service and project mapping	Strategic planning to ensure local area needs are addressed in regions that are so big - prioritisation.
Asylum seeker and refugee health (TPV holders).	Ensuring smooth access to primary healthcare.
Innovative, quick (safe to fail), initiatives.	Celebration of failure'. Learning from 'mistakes'.
Helping the community.	Facilitating evidence based research and findings.

## Info Sharing

I am particularly interested in	I would really like to see
List services	List of all services - clustered in interest/relevance groups.
Partnership depository	Use <i>enliven</i> as a 'partnership depository' to capture and publicize new information/sharing.
The language used e.g. Liveability.	Better communication methods, including two way.



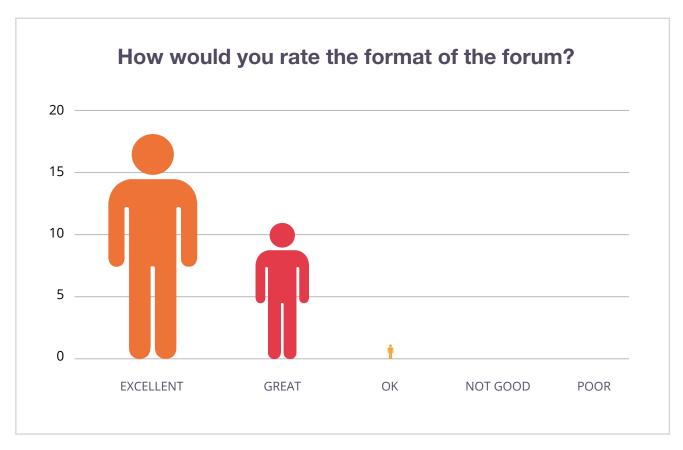


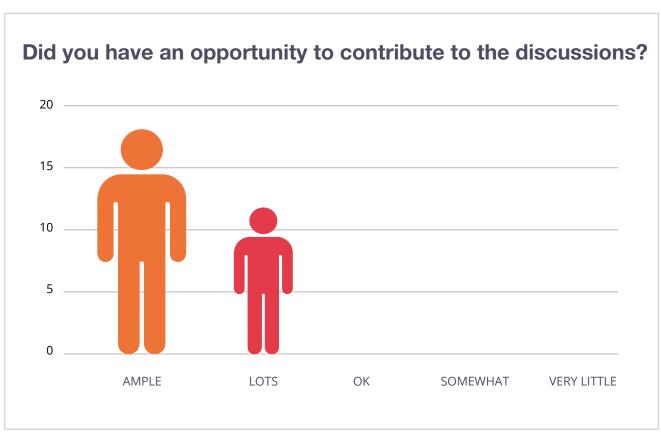
## Strengthen Networks

I am particularly interested in	I would really like to see
That the PCP maintains and builds on local knowledge particularly in areas like refugee networks etc.	More networking opportunities with similar groups.
PHN	Establish and collaborate with PHN.
Promote good practice and opportunities for collaboration.	Coordinate funding submissions in partnership. Not in competition.
Connections.	Share information and learnings.
Diverse communities	Better understanding on how to work across the diverse communities that make up the 3 municipalities/local gov areas (inc planning).
Pop. Health refugees integrated planning across the catchment.	Bringing agencies together. Communication.
Refugee and AS health.	Building partnerships between organisations. Coordination of services. Identifying gaps.
Networking opportunities.	Communication facilitation via regular forums.
True partnerships.	Facilitating collaboration of partners to generate meaningful actions through partnerships.
Working together	Formal mechanism of how groups can work together and share resources.
Resource the network	Resourcing a leadership to take the network to the next level. When issues arise <i>enliven</i> are in the role of bringing the right people around the table, on specific issues/priorities.
Partnership level.	Bringing agencies together to discuss/facilitate opportunities for funding.
Prevention.	Working with the community agencies. Interventions.
enliven act as liaison and communication with PHN on behalf of agencies.	Potentially coordinate services, community based activities.
Networking opportunities.	Continue focus-based forums like today, and taking it further (next step).

# Our Reflections

Participants shared their thoughts on how useful they felt the forum had been.





## What improvements, if any, could be made to how we worked together today?

Identify which organizations are Perhaps include represented today. community voice to More group discussion with the whole contribute. Opportunity group (though we might be about to to reflect on community do that). needs from grass roots perspective. List of attendees for following discussions. Thought it worked well overall - would have liked an intro to all the More time to network. enliven staff and their No suggestions - very engaging! roles. Great opportunity to work together -Community consultation for priorities some formulation required to define an setting and further actions. objective and plan forward. Do it again. Some more acknowledgment of the Has to get to grips with all achievements of enliven over the past the issues identified. year. Happy with format. More please! Opportunities to have these To get feedback from conversations and events relating to today's group on specific topic areas/issues. outcomes. Thank you. Can't think of anything. Enjoyable session. I think this was excellent -To do this more often. I'd like more time and also clearer ideas as to who to contact for what. Perhaps a way of connecting post-Probably could be longer. forum via some form of social media However a lot of ideas to Don't serve breakfast process - all good though. form/app/**enliven** then have it go cold due Facebook? to having to participate in an activity!

#### What did you like most about the forum today and why?

Opportunity to find out about Venue. Networking opportunities. other organisations. Diversity of people in attendance. The group work and guest speaker. Interactive/diverse/ networking opportunities. Great energy, allowed me to think about issues that are usually only tangentially related to my work, if even. Holistic focus. MC was great! Enjoyed the side discussion and ideas commitment. Networking/interaction. Connecting with new people and some people I haven't seen for some Everyone had the opportunity to time. That it was engage and contribute. Meeting participatory. Good up with people who are working in to leave with new different areas of health promotions, ideas as well as social planning etc., and time to really having a chance to share. Gilbert! And his inspiration. network. Networking. Great speaker. Networking - rekindled some connections! Speaker - Gilbert (fab!) Exposure to new ideas about Being challenged to think differently, Liveability. Better understanding great ideas and concepts - now how do we implement something? of how enliven can assist stockholders in networking and partnerships.







**PLEASE NOTE:** While every effort has been made to transcribe participants comments accurately a small number have not been included in this summary due to the legibility of the content. Please contact Keith Greaves at Keith@mosaiclab.com.au for any suggested additions.