

Birrarung Valley Walk

Memorandum of Understanding

Between the Parties

Birrarung Valley Walk Inc.
Level 32, 360 Collins Street
Melbourne VIC 3000

and

Yarra Ranges Shire Council
Anderson St
Lilydale VIC 3140

Introduction

The object of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to record the support of all project partners to identify, maintain, protect, preserve, and enhance the walking path to be known as the Birrarung Valley Walk (working title).

As a cornerstone of this MOU, the Parties agree to:

- Establish a relationship based on mutual trust.
- Share a common intention to achieve each Party's outcomes.
- Ensure openness, promptness, consistency, and fairness in all dealings.
- Commit to maximising efficiency, cost effectiveness and sharing of ideas.

Birrarung Valley Walk Inc.

Birrarung Valley Walk Inc. is an Incorporated Association that seeks to link existing walking tracks and paths from the mouth of the Birrarung (Yarra River) to the Upper Yarra Reservoir. The Association will create and make available the information needed to enable walkers to plan and undertake the 220+km, multi-day continuous walk. A key purpose is to protect, enhance and promote the natural environment and First Nations culture of the Birrarung Valley.

Purpose of MOU

The purpose of this MOU is to:

1. Provide a basis on which the parties can jointly progress and support the Project;
2. Document a commitment by each party to work together to:

- Agree on a defined route for the walking path, using existing pathways and trails wherever possible, on public land;
- Maintain and promote a waymarked walking path from the mouth of the river to the Upper Yarra Reservoir.

Authorised Representatives

Each party will nominate an Authorised Representative to sign the MOU. Each party commits to nominating a representative to join a steering committee, which will make all key decisions for the Walk. BVW will provide secretarial services to the committee.

Intention not to be Legally Binding

It is the intention of each Party that this MOU is not legally binding. This MOU merely constitutes a statement of the mutual intentions of the Parties.

This Memorandum of Understanding is executed as follows:

Signed on behalf of Birrarung Valley Walk Inc.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Position: _____

Date: _____

Signed on behalf of Yarra Ranges Shire Council

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Position: _____

Date: _____