

# BrisLets Community Exchange Inc.

**TRADING DAYS ARE ALWAYS ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF THE  
MONTH (EXCEPT DEC) AT ALBION PEACE CENTRE, 102  
MCDONALD ROAD, WINDSOR FROM 1PM TO 4PM.  
THE MORE THE MERRIER**

See you this Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> at Albion Peace Centre for our  
first 2023 Trading Day.

**REPAIR CAFÉ Professor Leanne Wiseman, Australian Research Council Future Fellow Griffith Law School**

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Has your suburb got a Repair Cafe? These are not cafes in the usual sense of that word, but places to take items which need to be repaired. The person bringing the item for repair is expected to stay with the item, and learn how to repair it so that those skills are not lost. We in Kenmore are looking for a venue to start one. There are already Repair Cafes in Brisbane Bayside, The Gap, The Grove (covers the suburbs of Ferny Grove Upper Kedron, Ferny Hills, Arana Hills, Keppera, Everton hills, Everton Park, Mitchelton, Gaythorne and Enoggera), Redcliffe, Sandgate, Woolloongabba, Wynnum and the University of Queensland.

Lawyer and Professor Leanne Wiseman of the Law Futures Centre at Griffith University is willing to give a talk about the Cafes and the Right to Repair. At the Community Repair Conference we were told that in France items are given stars for REPAIRABILITY in a similar way to here we that we have stars for electrical efficiency. The Futures Law Centre is working towards better design of products so that items can be repaired, and there will be less going to landfill.

*Many thanks to Helen/Judith Shaw*

## Those of you in the Western Suburbs

### CALLING ALL WESTERNERS

- Those in the suburbs of Brookfield, Kenmore, Chapel Hill, Bardon, Indooroopilly, Taringa, Toowong and surrounds.
- How about a meeting on a weekend soon? See how we can support and help each other.
- Gardeners and sewers/menders particularly welcome.
  - Contact Helen BLCE0303

# January is here, it is a new year, is it time for a new plan?

Last year, members of BrisLETS decided that a change was needed. At the AGM, you voted for [four proposals](#): Remove the CREDIT limit, change the DEBIT limit to 200u for new members, remove the transaction tax, and finally, remove the perceived DEBIT limit for the admin account. Here are some questions that we would like you to ponder.

**IMAGE** What is our image? What type of organisation are we? What is our purpose? Who are we targeting to join the exchange?

**HUBS : (Local Area Coordinators)** How do we encourage the creation of [local HUBS](#) and what should they do?

**TRADING DAYS** Do we need a trading day every month? How do we utilise the Peace hall better? Should we consider partnerships with other organisations?

**NEWSLETTER** How often do we want a newsletter? Monthly, bi-monthly, quarterly?

**MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS** As it costs units to run an exchange, how do we fairly distribute the burden? How do we encourage active membership? Should we have an annual renewal process?

**NEW MEMBERS:** How can we change the process to welcome new members?

**WEBSITE:** Does it need upgrading to give it a modern look? If we were to have a members only area, what type of information do you want to see? So how do we move forward? We would like to hear your views. We can collate your thoughts and come up with a strategic plan for 2023 & beyond.

Email: [Treasurer@brislets.com](mailto:Treasurer@brislets.com) with your thoughts by March 1st 2023. The BrisLETS team. *Thanks Andrew*

# Promotional Ideas – Up to You

**You as a member have the right to promote BrisLets in your area at all times.**

**Bring together community by opening up your home or yard for trading and togetherness in any way you want.**

**A Trading Day at your home – check your home insurance has Public Liability insurance included. Your home can become a local Hub.**

**A stall at your local markets, we don't all live in the same area. You can be sent a copy of the current brochure and membership form in pdf format for printing.**

**Talk about BrisLets to people at local meetings, hand out a flyer.**

## Contact Details for Newsletters

Newsletters currently go out monthly, one week or more, before the Trading Day which is on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday. They go out on 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday or close to at the moment.

It would be appreciated if all articles could be in a format that can easily be put into Powerpoint, ideally not directly from a website.

Please consider any local area news and stories which would be nice for Brislets members to see and enjoy as well as any other item you wish to have included.

Please send all contributions by email to [treasurer@brislets.com](mailto:treasurer@brislets.com) or phone through to Kelly on 0422 231 365