

DIAMANTINA SHIRE COUNCIL

Diamantina Shire Work Health & Safety WH&S POLICY STATEMENT

Authorised by Chief Executive Officer

Diamantina Shire Council is committed to providing and maintaining a safe and healthy workplace for all workers (including contractors and volunteers) as well as clients, visitors and members of the public. Hazards and risks to health and safety will be eliminated or minimised, as far as is reasonably practicable.

The responsibility for managing health and safety ultimately rests with the person in control of the business or undertaking (PCBU), CEO, council and management. Workers and other persons also have important responsibilities for health and safety in the workplace.

We are committed to complying with the Work Health and Safety Act 2011, the Work Health and Safety Regulation 2011, codes of practice and other safety guidance material.

Council will:

- Ensure the business complies with all legislation relating to health and safety;
- Eliminate or minimise all workplace hazards and risks as far as is reasonably practicable;
- Provide information, instruction and training to enable all workers to work safely;
- Supervise workers to ensure work activities are performed safely;
- Consult with and involve workers on matters relating to health, safety and wellbeing;
- Provide appropriate safety equipment and personal protective equipment;
- Provide a suitable injury management and return to work program;

Workers, including contractors and volunteers will:

- Take reasonable care for their own health and safety;
- Take reasonable care that their acts or omissions do not adversely affect the health and safety of other persons;
- Comply, so far as the person is reasonably able, with any reasonable instruction that is given by the PCBU to allow the person to comply with this act;
- Co-operate with any reasonable policy or procedure of the person conducting the business or undertaking relating to health or safety at the workplace that has been notified to workers;
- Participate in all required safety training;
- Report all hazards injuries and incidents;
- Use safety equipment and personal protective equipment as instructed;

Our goal is to provide a safe and healthy work environment that is free from workplace injury and illness. This will only be achieved through the participation, co-operation and commitment of everyone in the workplace.

Leon Love CEO

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