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## **Melton Council launches Intercultural plan**

Melton City Council has this week officially launched the Intercultural Plan 2017-2021 at an official event on Wednesday 16 August.

Council has actively promoted and celebrated the community's cultural diversity for many years, and continually strives to improve awareness and understanding of the economic, educational, social and cultural benefits of diversity.

The Intercultural Plan focuses on key initiatives and actions Council plans to take in the coming years to assist the needs and aspirations of our residents from a range of diverse backgrounds.

Mayor of the City of Melton, Cr Sophie Ramsey, said the plan embraced themes which focused on promoting cultural diversity and strengthening the community.

"The City of Melton is proudly diverse, speaking many languages, celebrating traditional festivals, and enjoying the world's cuisines in local homes and restaurants," Cr Ramsey said.

"As our community grows, we welcome new groups from around Australia, and the globe.

"Given the make-up of our community, it is incredibly important to come together and celebrate each other's cultures."

For more information, see [melton.vic.gov.au/interculturalplan](http://melton.vic.gov.au/interculturalplan)

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