

Shire President Rob Coales Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale 6 Paterson Street Mundijong, WA 6123

Dear Rob,

Re: Proposal for Food Security Action Group

Following our recent discussions, I would like to formally propose the establishment of a Food Security & Peri-Urban Agriculture Action Group to work collaboratively with the Shire on essential matters relating to food security, food policies, and regenerative agriculture within the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale (SJ).

This Action Group aims to support the 'Sowing the Seeds of Change' initiative and drive systems change through the following key pillars:

Systems Change:

We aim to establish this working group to foster equity, sustainability, and health within our food systems. By bringing together diverse stakeholders and the local community, we seek to inform policies that create transformative and evidencebased changes in our food systems.

Creating Place:

This group will work towards a food farming network that operates on the principles of food justice, embracing urban, peri-urban, and rural producers. We will also integrate First Nations communities, schools, NGOs, and not-for-profits to support the development of food initiatives that lead to positive local health, equity, economic, and sustainability outcomes.

Community of Practice:

We envision building a network of food system champions who can share, learn, and act collectively. Through in-person events, we will inspire local action and engage the broader community to connect with healthy, regenerative, and community-led food systems.

In line with these aims, we also seek to use existing and new networks to develop proven, community-informed policies that drive meaningful change.

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The purpose of this Action Group is to bridge the gaps between food producers and our local community. We aim to create and promote a food policy that is current and inclusive of the entire food supply system within the Shire. Additionally, we hope to explore food security initiatives that address both current and future challenges in our region.

We are seeking your endorsement to proceed with the development of this proactive Action Group, which we believe will contribute significantly to the vision of making the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale the food bowl of the Peel region. By supporting agribusinesses and aligning with the Shire's "Thriving Living Connected" mantra, we hope to create lasting positive change for the local community and beyond.

I look forward to your support and would be happy to discuss any details further. Please feel free to contact me at 0419566778 or president@sjfoodandfarmalliance.com.au

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Alyssa Miller-McWha