Pirie Voices
Community Connectors

Position Purpose
Community Connectors builds on the successful 'Community Conversation Leader' trial during Phase One and are a vital part of Pirie Voices going forward. They form a network of trusted local people who help keep Pirie Voices connected to the everyday experiences, aspirations and concerns of the community.

About the Role
Community Connectors are a network of 10-15 local people who are embedded and well connected across the Port Pirie community through their work, family, social, sporting, cultural or community networks. They are people who love to have a chat and are open and curious conversationalists who have a talent for helping others feel heard and included.

These positions are partner-sponsored personnel who contribute approximately 10 hours per month of their existing roles or community involvement to Pirie Voices through conversations, community engagement and information sharing. No formal qualifications are required but we are looking for people who:

- Are passionate about Port Pirie and its future.
- Have strong connections across community networks.
- Enjoy meeting and talking with people from diverse backgrounds.
- Are approachable, respectful and open-minded.
- Listen well and value different perspectives.
- Are respected and trusted within their network.

Community Connectors help ensure community voices remain at the centre of decision-making in Port Pirie. Through many small, everyday conversations, they strengthen connections, build trust and help create a community where people feel heard, valued and empowered to shape the future together.

This role is less about formal consultation and more about being a trusted local listener, connector and community champion. It should feel like an extension of the conversations people are already having every day.

Key Responsibilities
The Community Connectors will support Pirie Voices through the following everyday activities:

1. Providing local intelligence and feedback to Pirie Voices and maintaining an ongoing 'temperature check' in the community by embedding the essence of the Pirie Voices survey by weaving the following questions into everyday conversations:
   - *What do you love most about Port Pirie*
   - *What do you think could be improved to make it better than it already is*

2. Finding opportunity to dig deeper with people and facilitate more conversations about the things that matter to people and identify emerging issues or themes, whether one on one or small group discussions.

3. Strengthening community vision and ownership by reminding people of the collective values and strengths the community shared through the 1000 Voices report.

4. Encouraging participation by spotting talent and encouraging people to get involved in civic life through directing people to deliberative working groups, leadership or other participatory opportunities, or as additional Connectors.

5. Identifying and attending opportunities that raise community awareness and engagement with Pirie Voices including local events, markets or activities.

Support and Development
Community Connectors will be supported through an initial induction and orientation to Pirie Voices, along with regular training and professional development to ensure Pirie Voices conversations can be easily and seamlessly integrated into their everyday work and lives.

Information collected through conversations will be captured using a simple reporting process as a key part of contributing to ongoing feedback and recommendations to the Pirie Voices Community Board.

Community Connectors will come together as a network approximately every two months to share insights, identify emerging themes and discuss opportunities for action.