Developing a vision and national framework for Australian public libraries

ALIA is eagerly seeking your participation in a consultation process on a draft vision and national framework for Australian public libraries.

At the ALIA Public Libraries Summit on 16 July 2009, delegates gave ALIA a clear mandate to take the lead in developing a national framework for public libraries, working collaboratively with Public Libraries Australia (PLA), Friends of Libraries Australia (FOLA), National and State Libraries Australasia (NSLA), and the state and territory based public library associations.

ALIA has produced a project plan to guide the process, and has now developed a document which represents stage two - the draft vision and strategy.

The draft ideas are based on discussions and feedback from the ALIA Public Libraries Summit 2009, papers submitted by the key Australian public library organisations in advance of the Summit, and public library vision and strategy work carried out in other parts of the world.

The aim of a shared vision and national framework is to provide the Federal Government with proof that public libraries, although managed locally, are able to speak with one voice at a national level and can be invited to take a seat at the table.

We need to ensure that politicians and ministers at the highest level have a clear understanding of how public libraries currently contribute to government priorities, and provide a well-structured, considered and itemised proposal for investment in national programs, which will enable public libraries to increase their contribution to these government priority areas.

The consultation process will take place over the three months October to December 2009. We would appreciate receiving your response on or before Friday 11 December 2009.

The document and submission details are available via the Summit website http://www.alia.org.au/summit09/

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As the national professional association for the library and information sector, the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA) represents the interests of members, the profession, and Australia's 12 million library users.

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READ on the WILD SIDE!

1 December 2009 - 12 February 2010

Encourage young people of all ages in reading, writing, sharing books and other fun and engaging literature based activities.

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Sunday, 14 February

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Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre

2 – 3 September 2010

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