



DELATITE SHIRE

## **MEDIA ALERT**

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### **LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL FOR BENALLA**

#### **MEDIA BRIEFING**

**Thursday, 11 July 2002  
Civic Centre, Fawckner Drive, Benalla**

On Wednesday, 30 October 2002, Benalla will host the just the second sitting of a legislative chamber outside an Australasian capital city.

The Legislative Council of the Parliament of Victoria will meet in the Benalla Town Hall, Nunn Street, Benalla. The sitting will be held from 10.00 a.m. until approximately 7.00 p.m.

This important sitting will involve all 44 Members of the Legislative Council.

"The Legislative Council chose Benalla because it is both a major regional centre and a gateway to Victoria's north-east", President of the Legislative Council, the Hon. Bruce Chamberlain said.

Leader of the Government and Minister for Education Services, the Hon. Monica Gould will be in attendance, as will Upper House Liberal leader the Hon. Bill Forwood, and leader of the National Party in the Upper House, the Hon. Peter Hall. Ministers Candy Broad, Marsha Thomson and Justin Madden will also be present.

"This will be a great opportunity for the people of Benalla, the Delatite Shire, surrounding districts and indeed everyone from Shepparton to Mansfield, and Wodonga to Kilmore, to meet the Members and watch the Legislative Council at work ", said Mr. Chamberlain.

Members of the public, school and community groups, and business representatives are invited to the sitting.

***MEDIA INQUIRIES:***

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# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL IN BENALLA

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

### Legislative Council of Victoria

There are 44 Members of the Legislative Council with two Members each representing 22 Electoral Provinces. The Legislative Council was formed 146 years ago and has only once — last year in Ballarat — sat outside Melbourne.

### When?

10.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m. (approximately), Wednesday, 30 October 2002.

### Where?

Benalla Town Hall, Nunn Street, Benalla.

### Agenda

- 10.00 a.m. to 11.15 a.m. (approximately): Questions Without Notice, Motions to Take Note of Answers, and Answers to Questions on Notice
- 11.15 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.: General Business (debate on topical issues)
- 12.30 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.: Lunch with community, business and education leaders
- 2.00 p.m.: Members' Statements
- 2.15 p.m. (approximately): General Business continued
- 3.00 p.m.: Government Business (debate on proposed legislation)
- 6.00 p.m.: Adjournment Debate (seeking assistance from Ministers on matters concerning government administration).
- 7.00 p.m. (approximately): Adjournment

### Inquiries and Bookings

Bookings for the public gallery are essential. Individuals, schools and community groups wishing to view the sitting of the Legislative Council in Benalla on 30 October 2002 should contact

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