

Insurance Support for Community Activities

Mr BAYLEY question to TREASURER

On Saturday I visited Repair Cafe Hobart at Kickstart Arts. Volunteer Evan worked with my wife to repair a second-hand bike that was gifted to us. They almost got it on the road. I caught up with the outgoing and incoming convenors of Repair Cafe Hobart and heard firsthand some of their challenges in getting insurance to cover their activities, especially the repair of some of the most common items, electrical goods like toasters and lamps. Insurance issues are having an impact on repair cafe operations around Tasmania. Obviously, the principle of reuse is one we all subscribe to, and repair cafes across the state prevent thousands of items from going into landfill by repairing them for free. Your TasInsure proposal has morphed from providing insurance products to working with the RACT to identify blockages and challenges that need to be overcome. Repair Cafe Hobart seeks your commitment to ensure the insurance of community and volunteer-based activities like a repair cafe is considered by TasInsure and RACT to find a solution that gives this kind of activity a viable and insured future.