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Charlotte Rimmer
President
Manly Business Chamber
By Email

Dear Charlotte,

I write following our recent Recovery Solutions meeting. I again thank you and the Chamber Executive for your ongoing advocacy on behalf of your members. We all appreciate and understand that a strong Manly business community means a thriving Manly community more broadly.

Following our meeting, I have spoken with the Treasurer of New South Wales, the Honourable Matt Kean MP, and other colleagues including the Minister for Small Business.

I was able to effectively articulate the key concerns of Manly businesses as a result of our meeting and specifically draw to their attention the following themes:

- Staff and labor shortages
- Rental relief
- Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) access
- Government backed loans
- Isolation requirements for workers
- The need for immediate financial support.

I am pleased to advise that the NSW Government will imminently be providing further broad support measures for impacted businesses. This is in addition to our recently announced extension of the rent relief moratorium (until 13 March 2022). I understand this support package will alleviate significant pressure being placed on businesses right now.

I acknowledge the hard work of the Manly Tourism and Economic Recovery Taskforce (now Experience Manly) in laying the foundations for a number of unique and exciting events to be held in Manly in 2022. The economic output from these events should provide a welcome boost in the coming months for local businesses. It is important that we support operators, Council and other entities to ensure these events can proceed safely.





JAMES GRIFFIN MP

MEMBER FOR MANLY

I am also aware that we are awaiting the outcome of a number of applications for NSW Government Grant support to help stimulate the local economy, specifically the 'CBD Revitalisation' Program.

In the meantime, I will continue to advocate and share the useful information that is provided to me by the Manly Business Chamber with my colleagues.

I thank you for your ongoing advocacy on behalf of all businesses in Manly and beyond.

My Office will provide you with the details of the support package from the NSW Government for distribution to your members as soon as it is available.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'James Griffin'.

The Hon. James Griffin MP
Member for Manly

