



Fire Services Museum of Victoria Inc.

39 Gisborne Street, East Melbourne, VIC, 3002

Wednesday, 18 March 2020

From the Committee
of the Fire Services Museum of Victoria (FSMV),

FSMV Response to COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Pandemic Situation

At the Committee Meeting of the FSMV, held on Wednesday, 18 March 2020, the Committee discussed the evolving global situation relating to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

The FSMV is operated and staffed completely by volunteers, the majority of which are aged in their 70's and above. Our members greatly enjoy welcoming the public into our wonderful Museum.

However, these same members are part of the community that have the potential to be greatly affected by the COVID-19 virus, if infected, as indicated by Health Authorities in Australia and abroad.

The Committee has formed the view that this is a significant risk to our members and the organisation.

To that end, the Committee has agreed that in the best interests of its members, to temporality close the Museum at Eastern Hill and workshops at Newport to members of the public effective immediately.

The Committee has agreed to initially close our facilities to the public for a period of three (3) weeks. During this time our Executive Team will monitor the situation as it progresses and make decisions in line with the best advice from both the State and Federal Governments.

The Committee has not made this decision lightly and we thank the Community for their understanding and support during these unprecedented times in modern history.

Please monitor our website and Facebook page for further updates and information.

On behalf of the Committee,

Timothy Hughes
Secretary

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