Great places, thriving people, connected communities.



Manager, Communications

Key role details

	Manager, Communications
Reports to (position)	Head of Communications
Department	Chief Operating Team
Location	Bonnyrigg, Hurstville, Redfern, St Leonards and other locations as required
Remuneration level	Non-Award, Grade B
Essential requirements	Tertiary qualifications in communications or related field
	 A strong track record in integrated communications for multiple audiences, including internal teams, customers and project stakeholders
	 Media experience – You know what makes a good story pitch and what newsrooms need. You also know how to handle media inquiries.
	 Demonstrated experience leading, motivating and developing teams and an ability to articulate shared objectives to get results
	• Exceptional writing, editing and verbal communications skills, attention to detail to ensure materials are error-free
	 Demonstrated experience working as a senior communications manager in an issues rich environment Demonstrated experience engaging diverse stakeholders and audiences leveraging technology and creative resources
	 Ability to anticipate issues and mitigate risk; proactively and strategically approach issues, problems and opportunities
	 Experience building and maintaining professional and collaborative working relationships across a wide range of disciplines, and at all levels of an organisation, both internally and externally Current NSW Drivers License
Desirable skills	 Knowledge of Adobe Creative Cloud applications, Wordpress, Sharepoint, Microsoft Office.

Position summary

As SGCH Manager, Communications you lead and manage the development of integrated and strategic communications planning with a focus on customers and project stakeholders. You align communications to ensure a common focus on planning and execution to deliver on the Strategic Plan and drive effective and engaging internal communications at all levels and you drive measurable and sustainable change.



You work with and motivate a team to develop a clear program that builds a compelling and engaging narrative that contributes to organisational culture and overall performance against strategic objectives.

You will lead Communications Advisors and support the broader Communications team to develop and deliver communications plans for major projects and programs, identifying opportunities and risks early, developing and implementing messaging, Q&As and engagement plans with appropriate measures of success. Providing trusted and timely strategic advice and guidance to a range of teams across the organisation, you will ensure a collaborative approach that draws on the knowledge and expertise of customers and internal partners. You will also develop story pitch ideas to internal and external audiences.

You manage complex and sensitive consultations and negotiations with diverse stakeholders within agreed timelines, given their varying expectations, viewpoints and interests. You achieve project deadlines and milestones to the agreed standards and within budget, given the need to simultaneously coordinate and deliver multiple projects which are often complex and interconnected. You ensure complex and sensitive political environments are considered when leading, managing and developing all communication.

To work at SGCH you are compassionate, responsive and committed to achieving operational excellence and working collaboratively to deliver best practice social and affordable housing services. You value making a positive contribution to local communities and our shared vision for great places for everyone.



Your Success Profile

Manager, Communications				
 Knowledge – 'What do you know?' Advanced planning and prioritisation skills to focus resources and develop strategies that achieve strategic outcomes Ability to adapt messages for multiple audiences Management of content production and platforms and adherence to brand guidelines 	 Experience – 'What have you done?' Worked as a communications manager in an issues rich environment Led, motivated and developed teams, ability to articulate shared objectives and get results Engaged diverse stakeholders and audiences leveraging technology and creative resources 			
 Behaviours – 'What can you do?' Skilled at building constructive and effective relationships to understand business needs Ability to anticipate issues and mitigate risk; proactively and strategically approach issues, problems and opportunities Work in partnership across the business to coordinate key business activities 	 Personal qualities – 'Who you are' Accountable, organised and responsive with high attention to detail Work with integrity to deliver the best outcomes for customers and the business An adaptive and responsive manager who can tailor an approach for a positive outcome 			



Your work as an SGCH Manager, Communications

Our strategic work areas	Your daily work
Vision, purpose and strategy	 Work to achieve our core purpose to connect people to opportunity and collaboratively shape great places through sustainable, safe and affordable housing Taking responsibility for delivering high quality customer focused services with passion and purpose Managing relationships with internal and external partners to ensure a shared focus on improving outcomes for customers
Customer service	 Show respect, courtesy and fairness when interacting with customers and colleagues Responding to enquiries and requests from customers, stakeholders and colleagues with care and urgency Keeping customers, stakeholders and colleagues informed about issues they have raised and seeking feedback to ensure their needs are met
Leadership and teamwork	 Effectively manage and support the performance of individuals and a team in a mixed environment that is both planned and reactive, with external and internal audiences Collaborate with the team to develop a clear program that builds a compelling and engaging narrative that contributes to organisational culture and overall performance against strategic objectives Support the broader Communications team to develop and deliver communication plans for major projects and programs Build and maintain professional and collaborative working relationships with internal and external stakeholders
Communications	 Develop, implement, monitor and review customer and internal communication and engagement strategies to achieve strategic outcomes. Contribute to reporting with performance metrics Support responses to media opportunities, including preparing media releases, sourcing and preparing case studies and other tasks as directed Oversee key content production including newsletters, reports, factsheets and collateral to ensure it is appropriate and engaging for a range of audiences and adheres to brand and style guidelines Oversee key communications platforms including intranet, website and social media ensuring they are accurate, engaging and up to date. Report regularly on agreed performance metrics. Support responses to media opportunities, including sourcing and preparing case studies
Partnership and relationship management	 Build relationships and provide expert communication advice to influence decisions, support initiatives and communicate the objectives of SGCH



	• Skilled at building constructive and effective relationships to develop a deep understanding of business
	needs and strategic objectives
Learning mindset and accountability	 Modelling and encouraging a learning or growth mindset to build a culture of continuous learning, that values evidence, data and constructive feedback
	• Involvement in the continuous service improvement process, building capacity and understanding of the service improvement processes and environment
	 Working directly with teams and managers to address and resolve team service delivery issues, in a timely and effective way
Self management	Working flexibly to adapt and respond quickly when situations change
J	Being open to new ideas, seeking feedback and responding constructively
	 Looking for, and taking advantage of opportunities to learn new skills and develop strengths
	Prioritising a high-volume workload
Business excellence and	Oversee all planning and prioritisation to ensure delivery of agreed communications objectives and
innovation	manage team workflows
	Planning and completing work to agreed timeframes and standards
	Understanding team and organisational objectives and aligning your activities accordingly
	Identifying ways to improve systems or processes to achieve better outcomes
	Understanding and undertaking work to meet company strategic objectives
Legislation, policies and	Understanding and following legislation, rules, policies, guidelines and codes of conduct that apply to
procedures	the role
	 Helping others to understand their obligations to comply with legislation, rules, policies, guidelines and codes of conduct
	 Ensuring the privacy of customer information is protected at all times
Compliance and reports	 Embedding systems to support ongoing compliance with government contracts, policies and guidelines.
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	 Using appropriate governance tools, such as meetings, huddles, visual management board (VMBs), to
	monitor operational performance and share information
	 Preparing high quality briefings and reports for executive management and Board on key operational
	issues
Accountability and risk	Support issues and crisis management with clear communication to staff and customers
-	 Identifying and following safe work practices, and being vigilant about their application by self and others



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	Attending workplace health and safety training
	 Being aware of risks that might impact on the completion of an activity and escalating these when identified
	Speaking out against misconduct and inappropriate behaviour
	• Taking all reasonable care to ensure that actions or omissions do not impact on the health and safety of yourself and others in the workplace
Information technology	 Wordpress, Sharepoint, Adobe Creative Cloud and social media platforms and associated tools, basic Microsoft Office programs
	 Seeking advice from appropriate subject-matter experts on using technologies to achieve business strategies and outcomes
	Complying with SGCH policies on the acceptable use of technology

Our expectations	Your values and behaviours
Top accountabilities	 A leadership role in the Communications team, ensuring the delivery of accurate, engaging communications tailored to audiences
	2. Leading a team and developing others
	Collaborating internally to deliver strategic objectives and to provide trusted guidance for communications objectives
	 Ensuring the focus of projects and workload aligns with improving operational service delivery and outcomes
	5. Attention to detail when inputting and managing information and data, within set timeframes
	Know and understand SGCH policies and processes and apply them with a focus on delivering sustainable housing outcomes for customers
	7. Actively managing safety and promoting our safety culture
	Ensure data collection is managed sensitively, ethically and privacy is maintained, in line with the Australian Privacy Principles
Values and behaviours	1. Trust – we take ownership and accountability to build trust
	2. Empowerment – we empower our people, partners and our customers
	3. Inclusion – we respect differences and treat people equally
	4. Creativity – we explore new and better ways of working
	5. Honesty – we are responsible, ethical and professional