

Strategic Focus Area: Accountable. Transparent. Responsible.

## **Violet Town Bowls Club Flooring**

### **Problem and opportunity:**

The problem is that the floor covering at the Violet Town Bowls Club has been on the club floor for many years, some are saying since 1984, nobody associated with the club now can remember if it has ever been replaced.

### **How does it affect or impact the community?**

Our club has become very popular over the last few years and many people use our club, on bowls days, Jack Attack events and many community events. The state of the flooring does affect and impact on the many users, it is falling apart and held together in many places with duct tape, so that nobody trips on the old lino.

The first thing you see when coming in our front door is a strip of tape on the floor covering where the lino has lifted.

It is not a good look and we believe it could be an Occupational Health and Safety issue if not replaced.

### **What is your idea and what difference would it make?**

Our idea is to have the floor covering replaced with Expona Superplanks. They will lift the look of our club and make it safe and welcoming to the community.

To have new flooring would have a wonderful positive impact on the many visitors to our club and also make our members proud to invite the community to visit us for all our events.

### **Further information:**

The flooring has needed replacing for many years but as a small club we have not been able to fund such a big project.

We have continued to grow as a club over the last few years and many groups use our facilities.

We run two Jack Attack events a year and this has encouraged many community groups to enter teams. From this we have created a safe environment for many people of varying ages, the youngest being 6 years old and the eldest 90.

There are many lonely community members who have come to watch and are now regular participants in social bowls. Some of the residents of the local aged care facility come to watch and sometimes join in.

The local kinder children visit for a fun morning of kids bowls. VAMP hold open mic nights at our club once a month. Local community members have even held their Christmas break ups at our club.

All this is wonderful and is continuing to help improve the well being of our community members but, it would be so much nicer for all if the clubrooms also were more welcoming and safe.