



Good afternoon dear Members - A short email with some key updates

- Gunnedah Police provide some timely advice to us
- Our snapshot survey had some interesting results - see the Q&A below
- Council's Business Partner Program is open - great opportunity

ALSO - Networking - Last month we held a Zoom meeting after work on the Third Thursday - would you be interested in Networking this month?? Would you **please hit reply and just let us know** Yes, Interested in Zoom or No, can't do evenings or whatever?? Some feedback as to your availability and interest would be great.

Gunnedah Police have asked us to remain vigilant and take care of business houses while so many of us are not in the office or at the shop.

Owners should ensure alarms are turned on and working where fitted along with any installed CCTV System.

**Report any offences at your business to police immediately.**

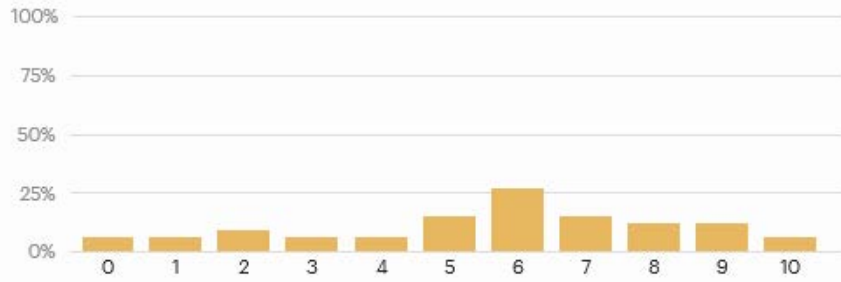
DO NOT touch anything that has been moved / touched so a fingerprint assessment can be done by attending police. Whilst waiting for police, compile a list of any items stolen and if able to do so, download any imagery from installed CCTV.

Consider community spirit and keep an eye on your neighbouring businesses and report any suspicious activity.

Local police will continue to make patrols of business and residential areas of Gunnedah and surrounding areas.

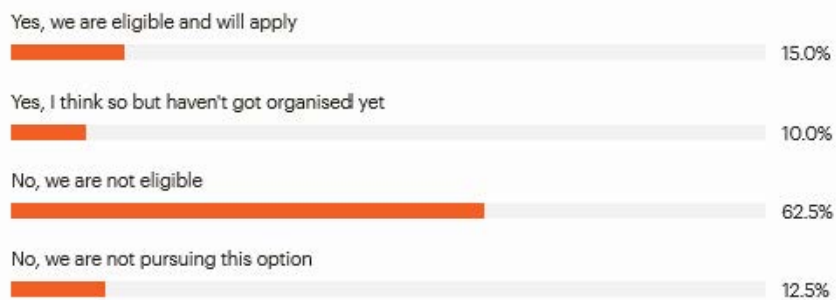
**Results from our Snapshot Survey below - Thanks for your input!**

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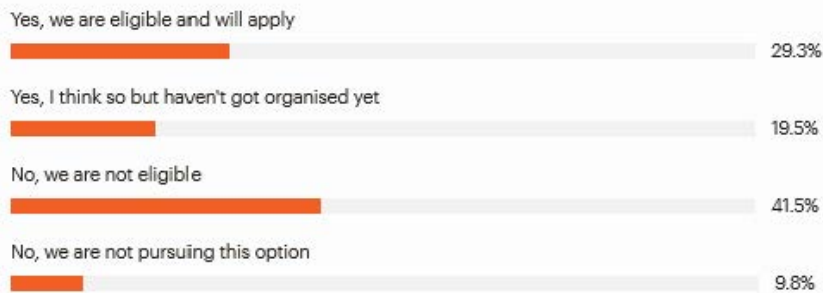
Question 2 has 40 answers (Radio Buttons)

Are you applying for the NSW Government \$10,000 Small Business Grant?



Question 3 has 41 answers (Radio Buttons)

Is your business or employer applying for JobKeeper?



Question 4 has 38 answers (Radio Buttons)

Do you want to see the Covid-19 restrictions lifted so businesses in our region can re-open in mid-May?



Gunnedah Shire Council has opened a new round of the Business Partner Program - great opportunity for direct support for your business

Businesses looking to grow their online presence or expand into new areas to build their resilience can apply for funding under the designation COVID-19 Business Partner Program. This round includes funding of up to \$2,000 for businesses who meet the funding criteria to boost their online presence with e-commerce capability to offset the challenges of COVID-19. This round will have a focus on supporting business that are diversifying their goods and services to meet changed circumstances during the Coronavirus.

Applications close 29 May 2020, apply here.

<<https://gunnedah.smartygrants.com.au/BPPCOVID2021-R1>>

## 2. Standard Business Partner Program – Round One of 2020/21

This is the standard round as per existing Business Partner Program guidelines, aimed at assisting businesses complete projects that boost employment and economic activity in our Shire.

Applications close 30 June 2020, apply here.

<<https://gunnedah.smartygrants.com.au/BPP2021-R1>>

- As always, applications are assessed by a panel and funding is recommended based on estimated economic or employment benefit to the Gunnedah Shire community and will be awarded funding based on the funding available.
- Businesses may submit an application in both rounds if they meet eligibility requirements as per the Guidelines.



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