



# ShireBiz Bulletin

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## About Shirebiz

ShireBiz is a not for profit organisation dedicated to the Economic Development of Southern Sydney to enable sustainable business development which provides employment opportunities for the local community.

Our strategic pillars are:

- Advocacy for business investment, traction and job diversity eg projects such as supporting *the development of the ANSTO Innovation precinct*
- Advocacy for infrastructure investment, policy change and streamlining regulatory environments in the Sutherland Shire
- Engaging the community through regular *newsletter*, and *events*

Shirebiz would like to thank our supporters for your support over the last year

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## Premier Chris Minns to address the Shire 24 Nov 12-3pm Doltone House

The Sutherland Shire Business Chamber in conjunction with Shirebiz is delighted to bring the NSW Premier, The Hon. Chris Minns, MP to the Shire. Hear the [Premier's plans](#) for NSW firsthand and how they will support and impact the Shire. Plus, we have an incredible panel of local business sector leaders lined up who will share their thoughts on what is needed for the Shire to thrive - spanning innovation, health, housing, the 24hour economy, and so much more. This exclusive lunch event will shine a spotlight on what businesses need to grow and thrive in the Shire, what infrastructure investment is needed, how to attract talent, and where we can locate our growing offices. If you love, live and work in the Shire, you can't afford to miss this event. To attend [REGISTER](#)

## CEDA: Policy focus on skills

[Lifting employment, productivity and wages](#), and delivering the skills and experience needed by business to enable investment and growth will require a coordinated and coherent approach across education, training and migration.

## Australia alone in G20 not making cars

Think about that, even Ukraine, Serbia, Slovenia, Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan outside the G20 make their own cars. [Australia's shame](#) is a big fall from the heyday of the 1970s when Australia was the 10th largest carmaker in the world, or even the early 2000s when Australia produced around 400,000 cars a year

## \$6 million from Bin Trim to reduce waste

Pre-schools and food courts will be among the 4,000 small to medium NSW businesses helping to divert approximately 35,000 tonnes of waste from landfill each year due to \$6 million in [Bin Trim Networks grants](#) awarded by the NSW Government. Bin Trim is Australia's largest business waste program aimed at avoiding, reusing and reducing waste, as well as saving money and cutting carbon emissions.

## SHARROW engineering and VEEM sign exclusive worldwide agreement for inboard propellers

US-based SHARROW Marine, a leading manufacturer of propellers for boats and ships, announced today an exclusive [worldwide licensing agreement](#) with Australia based VEEM Ltd, a designer and manufacturer of disruptive, high-technology marine propulsion and stabilisation systems. Under the partnership, VEEM has secured the

exclusive global rights to manufacture and commercialise the innovative SHARROW Propeller for inboard propellers up to five meters in diameter.

## **New iLAUNCH Trailblazer project targets composites strong enough for space**

The iLAUNCH Trailblazer has announced that its next project involves The Australian National University and industry partner New Frontier Technologies and aims to reduce weight in satellites through “additive manufacturing of lightweight and thermally stable composite structures”.

## **CVMR fined \$149K for double counting containers**

Grafton business Clarence Valley Metal Recyclers (CVMR) has been ordered to pay more than \$149,000 in fines and legal costs for exploiting the Return and Earn recycling scheme by double counting almost three million containers. These were the NSW Environment Protection Authority’s (EPA) first prosecutions regarding the Return and Earn Scheme under the NSW Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Act 2001

## **BioCina aims for vaccines against biowarfare threats**

Pharmaceutical and vaccine manufacturer BioCina is industry partner in an ambitious research project that aims to develop vaccine candidates to protect against biowarfare threats including Q Fever, tularaemia, and melioidosis. BioCina, the health Security Systems Australia (HSSA) division of defence innovation group DMTC, and academics led by Griffith University, including the Australian Rickettsial Reference Laboratory in Geelong in a two year

## **Industry Report: Intelligent Solutions you need to build Supply Chain Agility and Visibility**

In today’s fast-paced logistics industry, efficiency is paramount. Supply chain processes must be accurate, swift, and cost-effective to ensure customer satisfaction and drive sustainable business growth.

## **Why plastic piping is great for recycling**

Plastic piping has transformed the way we live, delivering essential services and utilities to our homes and communities. With the increased focus on reducing our environmental footprint and transitioning from a linear to a circular economy, plastic pipes have many advantages over alternative materials and are becoming preferred material of choice to replace and upgrade pipes throughout the world

## **Australia must fast-track and expand PFAS ban**

Australia must urgently fast-track and expand the proposed ban on using Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) and other forever chemicals. This is according to the Waste Management and Resource Recovery Association of Australia (WMRR). There are considerable health concerns about PFAS in the human body

## **Cyber Security: Securing the Web Browser in an Identity-focused Threat Landscape**

For more than 30 years, we’ve been living in a world where one of the most widely-

used applications is the web browser. Despite being designed primarily for consumer use, browsers have become essential to how enterprises operate – serving as the connective tissue between identities, applications and data

### **Construction begins on \$40m robotics and advanced manufacturing centre**

The new Big Build \$40 million Robotics and Advanced Manufacturing Centre at Eagle Farm TAFE will train and upskill Queensland's manufacturing workforce to embrace automation and Industry 4.0, Queensland Government's initiatives for the Fourth Industrial Revolution. Forecast for practical completion in late 2024, the Centre will improve specialised training in robotics, advanced manufacturing, process instrumentation, renewable technologies (hydrogen and solar) and telecommunications.



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