

Latrobe City's Defence Manufacturing Opportunities

INCREASED ENGAGEMENT

As Latrobe City's economic base is diversified, defence has the potential to drive the region's economic growth. Latrobe City has engineering capacity, experience and skills built over generations and is well placed to contribute to the defence industry supply chain nationally and internationally.

Why Latrobe City?

Our regional city's ongoing transition away from coal-fired power generation will continue to result in an available highly skilled workforce with strong engineering and manufacturing capabilities. Latrobe City Council has collaborated with the Australian Defence Alliance (ADA) (formerly Australia Industry Defence Network Vic) to develop the Latrobe Valley Defence Profile. This initiative profiles 20 local engineering and educational organisations with identified capability, experience and transferrable skills to defence, with a quad chart developed for each organisation. Several Latrobe City based businesses have engaged with defence primes, including Boeing and Naval Group and have entered their global supply chains.

Partner with us to achieve

Latrobe City Council would welcome the Commonwealth Government's assistance to:

- Send a Minister's Delegation to Latrobe City to find out more about the region's defence manufacturing capability.
- Provide individualised support to businesses represented in the Latrobe Valley Defence Alliance through the Office of Defence Industry Support (ODIS) to further develop their defence manufacturing capabilities (\$5000 for 20 businesses; \$100,000 in total).

Outcomes and community benefit

- **Economic transformation**
Defence manufacturing offers unprecedented economic prospects for Latrobe City's industrial, manufacturing and engineering capability.
- **Employment**
Delivering significant employment opportunities for the region will provide immediate and long-term social benefits.

