

Shoalhaven Business Chamber - Illawarra Business Chamber Alliance

A new alliance in business heralds positive direction for Shoalhaven economic development

The Shoalhaven Business Chamber (SBC) and Illawarra Business Chamber (IBC) are membership based organisations which have demonstrated a commitment to champion the growth and cause of businesses in the Shoalhaven and greater Illawarra region. To further their aspirations, SBC & IBC have agreed to form an alliance.

The alliance will provide for a stronger body to represent business in the Shoalhaven and Illawarra, providing substantial benefits to those taking up membership. President of Shoalhaven Business Chamber Tony Emery fully supports the alliance, "The benefits and support to local businesses will be greatly enhanced by this alliance."

Businesses taking joint membership receive all IBC benefits including access to the Workplace Advice line for Industrial Relations Support, Legal Advice, HR Advice, OH&S Advice as well as access to IBC and SBC networking, E-News correspondence, Online Information, discounts on other business services in addition to the fantastic benefits already offered by the Shoalhaven Business Chamber. The joint membership of both chambers allows business people in the Shoalhaven access to important business support tools which assists in managing internal processes, staff and compliance requirements.

SBC and IBC as a joint force and speaking with one voice will champion common issues and representing over one thousand businesses, will use their strengthened position to lobby government at all levels.

The success of this is evident says Les Dion, President of the Illawarra Business Chamber "Both Chambers have been working closely together, lobbying federal government on infrastructure priorities. The upgrading of the Princes Highway was short-listed as a Project of Importance which is not just Illawarra focussed, rather, it sees a strong connection and benefits between the Illawarra and Shoalhaven regions."

The alliance launch was held last week at Shoalhaven Business Chamber's Business After Hours event that was sponsored by Telstra Country Wide.

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