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HOT TOPIC

SOS from social enterprise workers

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OUR council can do a lot better than this.

It's a disgrace there are other areas where money is wasted. We should all try to make sure these guys stay employed

IAN ANDERSON, via Facebook

I HAVE seen these guys around and they seem to be eager and conscientious workers.

Gateway Industries workers have lost their contract with Casey Council.

CENTRAL MOTORS P 17 "THE AGE" MAY 14TH 1973

Grew with the town

SINCE first opening in Scott Street, Dandenong, in 1936, Central Motors has become part of Dandenong's history.

Since those days the development of Central Motors has been coupled with consistent effort, attention to detail, sound trading policies and emphasis on customer service and attention.

Thirty-six years ago a car grease at Central Motors cost 2/6d.; they repaired punctures for 2/-, petrol was 1/5d. a gallon and oil 1/- a pint.

Labor charges in those days was just 5/- an hour and you could have your Chevrolet rebored for £12/10/- which included all parts and labor.

In 1957 Central Motors moved to their new premises at 109 Lonsdale Street, Dandenong.

Here they saw real progress with the acquisition of important franchises such as Toyota cars and commercials, Rambler and Mercedes-Benz.

In 1969 Central Motors were named Mercedes-Benz dealer of the year.

All this progress required large expansion in the workshop's service facilities and addition of up-to-date equipment.

New equipment included an electronic wheel balancer, an optic wheel aligner, dynamometer and an oscilloscope.

Central Motors are not resting on their laurels and plan to be one of the leaders in Dandenong's future development.

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HOUSING AFFORDABILITY

Million-dollar club grows

Home ownership has slipped further out of the reach of many Melbourne families. **Rebecca David** reports

OVER the past decade Melbourne has gone from having 20 to 124 suburbs in the million-dollar club.

The growth in the median house price has been positive for homeowners and property investors but what does it mean for families and singles trying to get into the housing market?

In June 2007, only seven local government areas – *Stonnington, Bayside, Boroondara, Melbourne, Port Phillip, Banyule and Whitehorse – had suburbs* recording a median house price of more than $1 million.

The number has since more than doubled and now includes Glen Eira, Moonee Valley, Kingston, Hobsons Bay, Maribyrnong, Moreland and Knox.

REIV president Joseph Walton said unprecedented population growth, increased buyer demand and record low interest rates had contributed to the strong price growth. He said suburbs poised to crack the million-dollar mark included Macleod ($992,000 median), Knoxfield ($990,000), Wantirna ($956,750) and Oak Park ($950,000).

TIPS FOR HOMEBUYERS

- Keep in mind half of all

the $2 million median.

The Committee for Economic Development of Australia's (CEDA) latest