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## COUNCIL BACKS MAKE RENT FAIR CAMPAIGN

The City of Greater Dandenong has thrown its support behind a campaign to make rent fair for all.

The *Make Rent Fair* campaign launched by the Tenants Union of Victoria aims to protect renters and make sure they are getting a fair deal.

It comes as the Victorian Government is reviewing the Residential Tenancies Act which controls safety, security of tenure and privacy.

Paperbark Ward Councillor Roz Blades said low incomes earners and vulnerable members of our community were most at risk in the City of Greater Dandenong.

She said Greater Dandenong's Housing Strategy 2014-2024 found that affordability was one of the biggest housing issues facing the local community.

"One third of our population are in rental properties so it is very important we make sure that they can continue to rent," she said.

"Rising property and rental prices have reduced housing affordability in Greater Dandenong and there is clearly a need for local intervention."

"Throwing our support behind this advocacy campaign is one way to publically support vulnerable members of our community."

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