

# Ministerial Diary Disclosure Form

Ministerial Code of Conduct, s 5.3

Victorian Government

This form is to be used by ministers for quarterly ministerial diary summaries made in accordance with s 5.3 of the Ministerial Code of Code (Ministerial Code), which requires that:

‘Ministers must publish summaries from their diaries on a quarterly basis, detailing scheduled meetings with stakeholders, external organisations, third-party lobbyists, Government Affairs Directors, and external individuals.

Summaries should disclose the meeting date, company or organisation with whom the meeting occurred, meeting attendees, including registered lobbyist details (where applicable), purpose of the meeting and any other additional information required by the Premier.’

Ministerial diary summaries must be **attached** to this form and provided to the Secretary, Department of Premier and Cabinet within 7 calendar days of the end of each quarter. All diary summaries will be published on the Victorian Government website in accordance with the Ministerial Code.

## Instructions for completing this form

Complete the details below. Further information on the publication of ministerial diaries, including identifying meetings in scope for disclosure, privacy notices to attendees, and preparation of diary summaries can be found in the Publication of Ministerial Diaries Guidance and Ministerial Office Process Guide.

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## Declaration

Quarterly disclosure period: 1 January 2026 to 31 March 2026 \_\_\_\_\_

Minister name: Lizzie Blandthorn \_\_\_\_\_

Ministerial portfolio(s): Children and Disability \_\_\_\_\_

### Declaration:

**I declare that the information provided in the attached summary of my Ministerial diary is true, accurate and complies with my obligations under the Ministerial Code of Conduct at the date of signature.**

Signature of Minister:  Date: 13.4.26

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**Minister: Hon Lizzie Blandthorn**  
**Portfolio/s: Children | Disability**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>Description</b>
Red Mass	27/01/2026	<p><b>Attendees</b> Most Rev Peter A Comensoli, Archbishop of Melbourne</p> <p><b>Purpose of meeting</b> Portfolio matter relating to children</p>
Senator the Hon Jenny McAllister MP	28/01/2026	<p><b>Attendees</b> Paul Frayne, Chief of Staff, Minister Blandthorn Advisor to Minister Blandthorn Senator the Hon Jenny McAllister MP, Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme Laura Haylen, Deputy Chief of Staff, Minister McAllister</p> <p><b>Purpose of meeting</b> Portfolio matter relating to disability</p>
East West Bush Kindergarten	06/02/2026	<p><b>Attendees</b> Advisor to Minister Blandthorn Joanne Marshall, A/Area Executive Director, Department of Education A/Area Executive Director</p> <p><b>Purpose of meeting</b> Portfolio matter relating to children</p>
Glengala Kindergarten	10/02/2026	<p><b>Attendees</b> Advisor to Minister Blandthorn Premier, Jacinta Allan MP Member for Laverton, Sarah Connolly MP Cathrine Neilsen-Hewett, Chief Children's Officer, Goodstart Early Learning Melanie Peters, Sessional Kindergarten Manager, Goodstart Early Learning Kate Gilvear, National Social Policy Manager, Goodstart Early Learning Stephanie Shalala, Kindergarten and School Partnerships, Goodstart Early Learning Nichelle McCoy, Early Years Manager, Goodstart Early Learning Joseph Labagala, Education Support, Glengala Primary School Tian Leow, Project Manager, PreBuilt Glenn Coupar, Construction Manager, PreBuilt</p> <p><b>Purpose of meeting</b> Portfolio matter relating to children</p>
Minindee Road Kindergarten	11/02/2026	<p><b>Attendees</b> Advisor to Minister Blandthorn</p>

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John Lister MP, Member for Werribee  
Karen Weston, CEO, Gowrie Victoria  
Alison Smith, Executive Manager, Early Learning, Gowrie Victoria  
Kristi Condon, Kindergarten Manager, Gowrie Victoria  
Jessica Russell, A/ Early Learning Operations & KOSS Manager, Gowrie Victoria  
Denise Whelan, Customer Service and Enrolments Manager, Gowrie Victoria  
Simon Daniel, Property, Assets and Systems Manager, Gowrie Victoria  
Hyundai Chiaw, Property, Assets and Systems Coordinator, Gowrie Victoria  
Robert Page, Executive Officer, Gowrie Victoria  
Tori Mulligan , Executive Principal, Manor Lakes P-12 College  
Ryan Morley, Program Manager, Grove Group  
Kylie Freeman, Director, Perkins Architects

**Purpose of meeting**

Portfolio matter relating to children

Wyndham Early Parenting Centre

11/02/2026

**Attendees**

Advisor to Minister Blandthorn  
Dylan Wight MP, Member for Tarneit  
Mathew Hilakari MP, Member for Point Cook  
John Lister MP, Member for Werribee,  
Liz Murdoch, Chief Executive Officer, Tweddle  
Clare Pridham, Director of Nursing, Tweddle

**Purpose of meeting**

Portfolio matter relating to children

Our Village

12/02/2026

**Attendees**

Advisor to Minister Blandthorn  
Dr Ruth Holdaway, CEO, Our Village  
Vera Ristevska, Officer Coordinator, Our Village

**Purpose of meeting**

Portfolio matter relating to children

Ada Mary A'Beckett Children's Centre

12/02/2026

**Attendees**

Advisor to Minister Blandthorn  
Nina Taylor MP, Member for Albert Park  
Lynette Berryman, Compliance Manager, Ada Mary A'Beckett Children's Centre  
Rebecca Virgo, Team Leader Kinder Three, Ada Mary A'Beckett Children's Centre  
Ania Saletnik, Team Leader Kinder Three, Ada Mary A'Beckett Children's Centre  
Jennifer Hosford, Curriculum Leader Kinder Three, Ada Mary A'Beckett Children's Centre  
Tiaarin Brylee, Team Member Kinder Three, Ada Mary A'Beckett Children's Centre  
May Maung, Team Member Kinder Three, Ada Mary A'Beckett Children's Centre

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Chrissie Straw, President, Committee of Management, Ada Mary A'Beckett Children's Centre  
Ellen Heyting, Vice President, Committee of Management, Ada Mary A'Beckett Children's Centre  
Mark Patterson, Manager Family Youth and Children, City of Port Phillip

**Purpose of meeting**

Portfolio matter relating to children

Isaac Herzog

12/02/2026

**Attendees**

Advisor to Minister Blandthorn  
Isaac Herzog, Israeli President  
BRIG Robert Marsh PSM ADC  
Vicki Rapke, Honorary Aide  
Hon Claire O'Neil MP, Minister for Housing, Minister for Homelessness, Minister for Cities, Commonwealth Government  
Excellency Amir Maimon, Ambassador of the State of Israel to Australia  
Tal Maimon, Spouse of Amir Maimon  
Matthew Wiese, Assistant Secretary, Middle East Branch, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

**Purpose of meeting**

International Relations

Caroline Chisholm Society

13/02/2026

**Attendees**

Advisor to Minister Blandthorn  
Anne-Marie Tenni, President, Caroline Chisholm Society  
Christine Campbell, Vice President, Caroline Chisholm Society  
Lolou Kini, Chief Executive Officer, Caroline Chisholm Society  
Marisa Gustowski, Head of Service Delivery and Specialist, Caroline Chisholm Society

**Purpose of meeting**

Portfolio matter relating to children

Early Learning Victoria Garrong Kings Park

19/02/2026

**Attendees**

Advisor to Minister Blandthorn  
Darren Young, CEO, Early Learning Victoria  
Hon Jason Clare MP, Minister for Education, Commonwealth Government  
Senator the Hon Jess Walsh, Minister for Early Education, Commonwealth Government  
Alice Jordan Baird MP, Member for Gorton, Commonwealth Government  
Katriye Redif, Centre Director, Early Learning Victoria  
Jodi Park, Principal, Kings Park Primary School

**Purpose of meeting**

Portfolio matter relating to children

Education Ministers Meeting

20/02/2026

**Attendees**

Paul Frayne, Chief of Staff, Minister Blandthorn

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<https://www.education.gov.au/education-ministers-meeting/education-ministers-meeting-members>

**Purpose of meeting**

Portfolio matter relating to children

Ngalambi Early Learning Victoria

25/02/2026

**Attendees**

Advisor to Minister Blandthorn  
Eden Foster MP, Member for Mulgrave  
Darren Young, CEO, Early Learning Victoria  
Jenni Menon, Centre Director, Early Learning Victoria  
Molly Bland, Senior Engagement Officer, Early Learning Victoria

**Purpose of meeting**

Portfolio matter relating to children

Melbourne Holocaust Museum

25/02/2026

**Attendees**

Advisor to Minister Blandthorn  
Ryan Batchelor MP, Member for Southern Metropolitan Region  
Dr Breann Fallon, CEO, Melbourne Holocaust Museum  
Dr Simon Holloway, Melbourne Holocaust Museum  
Suzanne Hampel, Co-President of the Australian Delegation IHRA

**Purpose of meeting**

Portfolio matter relating to children

Oberon Kindergarten

26/02/2026

**Attendees**

Advisor to Minister Blandthorn  
Chris Couzens MP, Member for Geelong  
Samantha Hardy, Kindergarten Manager, Oberon Kindergarten  
Jess Russell, Acting Early Learning Operations and KOSS Manager, Gowrie Victoria  
Alison Smith, Executive Manager, Gowrie Victoria  
Simon Daniel, Property, Assets & Early Learning Systems Manager, Gowrie Victoria  
Cord Sadler, Executive Director, Early Childhood, Department of Education  
Catriona Salt, Executive Director, Barwon Area, Department of Education

**Purpose of meeting**

Portfolio matter relating to children

Biyala Kindergarten, Community Hub Kinder

26/02/2026

**Attendees**

Advisor to Minister Blandthorn  
Cr Emma Sinclair, Councillor, City of Greater Geelong  
Cr Ron Nelson, Councillor, City of Greater Geelong  
Anthony Basford, Executive Director City Life, City of Greater Geelong

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James Stirton, Executive Director Placemaking, City of Greater Geelong  
Julie Brooks, Acting Manager Family Services, City of Greater Geelong  
Jacquie Randles, Manager Planning and Growth, City of Greater Geelong  
Maddy Bisits, Manager Capital Delivery, City of Greater Geelong  
Kelly Ivens, Manager Advocacy, Government & Strategic Relations, City of Greater Geelong  
Ben Vawdrey, Project Manager, Modularity by Rendine  
Rachelle McMahon, Senior Manager Education Quality, KU Children's Services  
Kath Hillier, Education and Quality Manager, KU Children's Services

**Purpose of meeting**

Portfolio matter relating to children

Biyala Kindergarten 26/02/2026

**Attendees**

Erin Sealey, Nominated Supervisor, Biyala Kindergarten , KU Children's Services  
Glynis Cruz, Nominated Supervisor, Biyala Hub, KU Children's Services  
Kath Hillier, Education and Quality Manager, KU Children's Services  
Rachelle McMahon, Senior Manager Education Quality, KU Children's Services  
Cassandra Mezups, Marketing Lead & Photographer, KU Children's Services  
Shannon Cormack, Principal, Biyala Primary School  
James Murphy, Assistant Principal, Biyala Primary School  
Will Devlin, Construction Manager, Building Engineering  
Ben Coull, Project Manager, Building Engineering  
Daniel Billett, Senior Project Manager, John Staff  
Cat Salt, Area Executive Director, Barwon Area, SWVR, Department of Education

**Purpose of meeting**

Portfolio matter relating to children

Tracy Beaton 26/02/2026

**Attendees**

Benita De Vincentiis, Deputy Chief of Staff, Minister Blandthorn  
Tracy Beaton, Principal Commissioner for Children and Young People

**Purpose of meeting**

Portfolio matter relating to children

Yarraville Gardens Changing Places 27/02/2026

**Attendees**

Advisor to Minister Blandthorn  
Katie Hall MP, Member for Footscray  
Cr Mohamed Semra, Mayor, Maribyrnong City Council  
Celia Haddock, CEO, Maribyrnong City Council

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Potential Statutory Appointee	10/03/1970	<p><b>Attendees</b> Benita De Vincentiis, Deputy Chief of Staff, Minister Blandthorn Potential Statutory Appointee</p> <p><b>Purpose of meeting</b> Potential Statutory Appointee Discussion</p>
Potential Statutory Appointee	10/03/1970	<p><b>Attendees</b> Benita De Vincentiis, Deputy Chief of Staff, Minister Blandthorn Potential Statutory Appointee</p> <p><b>Purpose of meeting</b> Potential Statutory Appointee Discussion</p>
Joan Kirner Hospital	11/03/2026	<p><b>Attendees</b> Advisor to Minister Natalie Suleyman MP, Member for St Albans Jason Plant, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, Western Health Lucy Nash, Divisional Director Women's and Children's Western Health Erica Carmond, Midwife Unit Manager, Joan Kirner Women's and Children's at Sunshine Hospital, Western Health</p> <p><b>Purpose of meeting</b> Portfolio matter relating to children</p>
St Albans Library	11/03/2026	<p><b>Attendees</b> Natalie Suleyman MP, Member for St Albans Advisor to Minister Blandthorn</p> <p><b>Purpose of meeting</b> Portfolio matter relating to children</p>
Deanside Children's and Community Centre	12/03/2026	<p><b>Attendees</b> Advisor to Minister Blandthorn Natalie Hutchins MP, Member for Sydenham Cr Lara Carli, Mayor, Melton City Council Troy Scoble, Melton City Council Cr Dr Phillip Zada, Councillor, Melton City Council Lauren Wall, Manager Communications, Melton City Council Matthew Welsh, Manager Child Families &amp; Youth, Melton City Council Sean McManus, Manager Advocacy &amp; Government Relations, Melton City Council Bron Shipway, Grant Attraction &amp; Partnerships Lead, Melton City Council Amit Desai, Capital Projects Officer, Melton City Council Sarah Bowen, Coordinator Early Childhood, Melton City Council Loren Horster-Haarburger, Event Officer, Melton City Council Kieran Leong, Director, Design Inc</p>

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Philip Weatherlake, Associate, Design Inc  
Murphy Wang, Architect, Design Inc  
Hasan Fat, Builder Representative, Carelli Constructions  
Tony Timperio, Builder Representative, Carelli Constructions  
Alison King, Senior Kindergarten Improvement Advisor, Department of Education

**Purpose of meeting**

Portfolio matter relating to children

Gordon Kindergarten 12/03/2026

**Attendees**

Advisor to Minister Blandthorn  
Michaela Settle MP, Member for Eureka  
Karen Heap, CEO, Ballarat & District Aboriginal Co-operative  
Mick Smith, CFO, Ballarat & District Aboriginal Co-operative  
Kylie Laxton, Board Member, Ballarat & District Aboriginal Co-operative  
Bridget Buttacavoli, Kindergarten Manager, Ballarat & District Aboriginal Co-operative  
Marc Oliver, Early Childhood Administration Coordinator, Ballarat & District Aboriginal Co-operative  
Shakira Winmar, Wayipungitj, Ballarat & District Aboriginal Co-operative  
Maryanne Ross, Public Relations and Corporate Development Consultant, Ballarat & District Aboriginal Co-operative  
Kerryn Stevens, Early Childhood Teacher, Ballarat & District Aboriginal Co-operative  
Samantha Parker, Kindergarten Assistant, Ballarat & District Aboriginal Co-operative  
Renne Cambell, Aboriginal Education Support Officer, Ballarat & District Aboriginal Co-operative  
Simon Trembath, Principal, Gordon Primary School  
Simon Wappler, Senior Architect, Watson Young Architects  
Kaylyne Yeo, Graduate of Architecture, Watson Young Architects  
Maryanne Waiting, Graduate of Architecture, Watson Young Architects

**Purpose of meeting**

Portfolio matter relating to children

St Patrick's Day Mass and 2026 Patrick Oratio and Reception 17/03/2026

**Attendees**

Benita De Vincentiis, Deputy Chief of Staff, Minister Blandthorn  
Most Rev Peter A Comensoli, Archbishop of Melbourne

**Purpose of meeting**

Portfolio matter relating to children

World Down Syndrome Day 19/03/2026

**Attendees**

Advisor to Minister Blandthorn  
Daniel Payne, CEO, Down Syndrome Victoria  
Iwan Walters MP, Parliamentary Secretary for Disability

**Purpose of meeting**

Portfolio matter relating to disability

Mass of St Patrick for Schools 20/03/2026

**Attendees**

Advisor to Minister Blandthorn

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Most Rev Peter A Comensoli, Archbishop of Melbourne  
Gerard Dalbosco, Chair MACS  
Edward Simons, CEO MACS

**Purpose of meeting**  
Portfolio matter relating to education

Ngawak Early Learning Victoria 25/03/2026

**Attendees**  
Advisor to Minister Blandthorn  
Paul Edbrooke MP, Member for Frankston  
Darren Youngs, CEO, Early Learning Victoria  
Uncle Shane Clarke, Bunurong Elder, Bunurong Land Council  
Rachel Chamblerrain, Centre Director, Early Learning Victoria Ngawak  
Ian Burrage, Regional Director, South Eastern Victorian Region

**Purpose of meeting**  
Portfolio matter relating to children

Laak Early Learning Victoria 25/03/2026

**Attendees**  
Advisor to Minister Blandthorn  
Belinda Wilson MP, Member for Narre Warren North  
Darren Youngs, CEO, Early Learning Victoria  
Laura Sammut, Principal, Hallam Primary School  
Dilhara Warnakulasooriya, Centre Director, Early Learning Victoria Laak

**Purpose of meeting**  
Portfolio matter relating to children

Mandalay Early Learning Centre 26/03/2026

**Attendees**  
Advisor to Minister Blandthorn  
Nicole White, Owner/Approved Provider, Mandalay Early Learning Centre  
Kaite Ethem, Centre Director, Mandalay Early Learning Centre  
Sharon Hensgen Smith, Executive Director, Goulburn Area, Department of Education

**Purpose of meeting**  
Portfolio matter relating to children

Beveridge Maternal & Child Health 26/03/2026

**Attendees**  
Advisor to Minister Blandthorn  
Mary Agostino, Chief Executive Officer, Mitchell Shire Council  
Buffy Leadbeater, Manager Early Years and Youth, Mitchell Shire Council  
Debra Reynolds, Coordinator Maternal and Child Health and Immunisation, Mitchell Shire Council  
Cr Timothy Hanson, Deputy Mayor, Mitchell Shire Council

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Whittlesea Early Parenting Centre	26/03/2026	<p><b>Purpose of meeting</b> Portfolio matter relating to children</p> <p><b>Attendees</b> Advisor to Minister Blandthorn Anna Seaborn, Director of Nursing and Onsite Manager, Whittlesea EPC Monika Lancucki, Director of Mission, Communications &amp; Stakeholder Engagement, Mercy Health Clinton Cummins, Chief Executive Officer Health Services, Mercy Health Leanne Mills, Chief Nurse and Midwifery Officer, Mercy Health</p>
Potential Statutory Appointee	10/03/1970	<p><b>Purpose of meeting</b> Portfolio matter relating to children</p> <p><b>Attendees</b> Paul Frayne, Chief of Staff, Minister Blandthorn Potential Statutory Appointee Secretary Bates, Department of Education</p> <p><b>Purpose of meeting</b> Potential Statutory Appointee Discussion</p>