

*If you are not satisfied with our service,
you can make a complaint.*

*We understand that it can be difficult to
make a complaint and we will always
try to deal with your concerns
seriously, promptly and confidentially*



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SERVICE USER COMPLAINTS

free legal services



Peninsula
Community
Legal Centre

COMPLAINTS

You have a right to make a complaint about the services provided by Peninsula Community Legal Centre staff or volunteers, how you were treated or other matters.

All complaints will be dealt with:

- seriously
- promptly
- respectfully
- in a way that protects privacy and confidentiality following natural justice principles.

If you need help with making a complaint you can use your own advocate or support person. You can also speak with us about how we may assist.

HOW TO MAKE A COMPLAINT

It may be appropriate to informally raise your concern directly with the worker involved.

Verbal complaints

- Verbal complaints may be made by asking to speak with the relevant Manager.
- If you are not satisfied with action taken or if the complaint is about a Manager, you may ask to speak with the Chief Executive Officer.
- If you are not satisfied by the action taken by the Chief Executive Officer, or if the complaint is about the Chief Executive Officer, you may send a written complaint to the Chairperson of the Management Committee.

Written complaints

Written complaints should be addressed to the:

Chief Executive Officer
Peninsula Community Legal Centre Inc.
441 Nepean Highway, Frankston Vic 3199

We may ask you for further information.

If the complaint is regarding the Chief Executive Officer or the Management Committee, the written complaint should be addressed to the Chairperson and marked "Private and Confidential".

External complaints

Complaints about lawyers may be made to the:

Legal Services Commissioner
GPO Box 492
Melbourne, Victoria, 3001
Ph: (03) 9679 8001
Fax: (03) 9679 8101
Email: admin@lsc.vic.gov.au
Website: www.lsc.vic.gov.au

You may request a full copy of our Managing Service User Complaints policy and procedures.

If you have a concern with PCLC's approach or response to child safety, you can report to the Commission for Children and Young People:
Phone: 1300 78 29 78
Email: contact@ccyp.vic.gov.au

HOW WE DEAL WITH COMPLAINTS

The Chief Executive Officer (or Chairperson) receives and follows up written complaints.

The person making a written complaint (the complainant) will be contacted within 14 days of receipt of the complaint. Information about the process and timeframe for addressing the complaint will be provided.

As far as possible, complaints will be investigated and an outcome determined within 28 days of the complaint being received. If this timeframe cannot be met, and where appropriate, the complainant will be informed of the reasons why and of the anticipated time frame.

We will advise you when the investigation of a complaint has been completed. If it is appropriate, we may advise you of the outcome or decision. We will also advise you of options for further action if required – such as seeking a review of the matter by the Management Committee or making a complaint to external bodies.

The Centre's Management Committee receives reports about written complaints. The Chief Executive Officer keeps records of all client complaints. We use this information to review and improve our services.

We welcome your feedback regarding the service users complaints process.

CHILD SAFE STANDARD

PCLC is committed to being a child safe organisation and has zero tolerance for child abuse. We take all reports of child safety seriously and encourage members of the community, including children and young people, to report any concerns.