Service Victoria

# The one place to go for Government services

#### **Opportunities to work with Councils**

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Customer satisfaction is consistently high at more than 95%

# The most common word used by customers in their feedback is 'easy'



The Service Victoria app has been downloaded more than 7 million times.

# Customers have completed over 1.15 billion transactions.





# We design modern Government services around people's needs



 Personalised, linked information across all services

# Single view of government

- Accessible, fully-online in one place
- Organised in a way that makes sense to me

# Customer-centric design

- Timely advice about what you need from me and my progress at every step
- Consistent processes and navigation with plain language

### Proactive service

 Attention to my needs – reminders, triggers, notifications and bundled services



# Our vision, mission and values



Who we are

The Victorian Government created Service Victoria to modernise the way customers get things done online.

We're bringing together the most popular Victorian Government transactions in one place and making it easy for customers to do them.

Service Victoria is responsible for implementing the *Service Victoria Act 2018* and provides customer service and identity verification functions.



The one place to go for Government services.



Modern Government services designed around people's needs





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#### **Responsiveness** Integrity

Provide high Strive to earn quality services and sustain public trust



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Impartiality

Implement

programs

equitably

policies and

Leadership

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Actively support these values



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Accountability Respect

Seek to achieve Use people's best use of views to improve resources outcomes on an



ongoing basis

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Human Rights

Make decisions consistent with human rights

# We make it easy for Victorians to get things done with the Government

- Adding more services and more partners



48 118 digital services 15 partner agencies

1m+

created

- Serving more customers



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Date range all time to 31/10/22

\$272m

payments

processed

securely

# How we make it easy

Do service design to fit both customer and regulatory needs



**Digital services** 

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Rules-as-code



Experience design

Develop software using reusable components delivered at scale



Provide tiered digital support for those who need it



# **Regtech ecosystem**

### Working with councils & regulators and supporting business



### 1. Business hub: One place to go for small business to deal with government



#### **Business Hub**

- Brings together business-related services and applications
- Built using Salesforce, React and API integration
- Will grow over time
- <u>Try it out</u>

#### Business permit finder (right) >

- Helps you find the right permits and licences to run a small business
- Customised list of links to applications with integration to ABLIS
- Email yourself the list
- Links to local councils
- <u>Try it out</u>



See all services >>

### 2. Auto approvals (React): less red tape and real-time permission



#### **Auto Approvals**

- First release built in partnership with DTF to reduce regulatory burden on small business
- Rules-as-code to codify and automate approvals for common applications
- · Guest transaction (no account needed)
- No data is stored, transmitted directly to councils via API or email
- Re-uses payment module and components
- Can be rapidly deployed to councils (within days).

Real-time permission for:

- Skip bin permit
- Personal training in public park
- <u>Footpath trading permit</u>
- Roadside trading

Councils using Service Victoria's auto approvals: Melton, Casey, Golden Plains, Wangaratta, Moonee Valley, Boroondara, Maroondah



▲ Winner: The automatic approvals initiative is a finalist for the Better Outcomes Through Regulation Award (IPAA Victoria 2023)

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### 3. MyBusiness account: auto-fill applications and track progress



#### **Business profile (MyBusiness Account)**

A single dashboard to:

- Apply for suggested permits and licences for specific business types
- Nominate delegates to make applications and track progress
- Access multiple businesses they are delegates for
- Update contact information
- Reach out to regulators and councils about their application

Pre-filled with business details from ABR

Reminders for renewals (under development)

Autofill forms with account info

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### 4. Business permits: Rapid deployment of smart forms



#### **Business process optimisation**

- Rules engine to speed up time-to-market
- Microservices quickly configured using clicks, not code
- Forms can be dynamically created based on customer input
- Developers use libraries of reusable decision tree patterns (right)
- Repeat secure integrations through API connections
- Being rolled out by regulators across the globe to speed up back-office processes







**- Libraries:** Reusable patterns for common components shrinks development effort



### 5. Business permit system: An end-to-end solution for councils



#### Business permit system (Permits-in-a-box)

- An end-to-end permit system for councils who don't have a modern backend
- Brings together business-related services and applications
- Form is based on business rules which dynamically tailors the process based on the answers
- Autofill from MyBusiness Account details
- Negotiating with Melton and Ararat to be the first council to use the full suite.



# What next?

We want to work with councils.

The business-permits-in-a-box solution can deliver savings and make it easier for business, so come talk to me after this if you want to know more or get in touch with Sam or Justin.

Automatic approvals can be onboarded in a couple of weeks (Golden Plain Shire has the record of 2 weeks).

Rates payments or payments for pet registration or other services may also be of interest. We also have reusable IDV and accounts to help support your service delivery.

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# Thank you.

**Service Victoria** – The place to go for government services. **Easy.** 



# **Payment Options**

#### Scalable Reusable payment product

- Service Victoria provides a range of in-demand payment options that enable Victorian citizens to reliably send and receive payments to and from the Victorian Government; securely and easily.
- ✓ Can be hosted on Service Victoria's website or an Agency's website, and as a re-usable Payment Demand.
- Our solution maintains Payment Card Industry (PCI) compliance.
- ✓ We provide payment outcomes to the agency including receipt data, PDF receipts/tax invoices, and reconciliation data.
- ✓ We offer a range of payment methods, including Visa, Mastercard, PayPal, BPAY.
- ✓ We support both Inbound and Outbound payments.
- ✓ Our banking partner is Westpac.
- ✓ **Future Capabilities** under consideration:
  - Pay by installments
  - o Direct debit and EFT
  - o GooglePay, ApplePay
  - New Payments Platform (PayID, PayTo)



So far, more than 700,000 payments have been made using the Service Victoria payment gateway



# Self service tool

### Available now



Small Business Owner, Sole Trader



I want to open a café and need to know what permits and/or licences I need to do this



Be able to source all the permits and licences needed from one place instead of having to go to individual sites



Save time by sourcing information from a single point of entry and reference the list of permits and licences sourced when booking an appointment with the council concierge



A one-stop-shop for Victorian business owners

# Footpath trading

### Available now

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#### Business owner, Council



I want to be able to notify the council of my intention to undertake footpath trading so that my application can be auto assessed and granted straight away



Reduce processing time to approve a footpath trading application



Seamless application and lodgment process which is assessed and auto-approved



Example of streamlined application process

### **Outdoor fitness**

### Available now

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Business owner, Council



I want to be able to notify the council of my outdoor fitness and personal training activities so that my application can be auto assessed and granted straight away



Reduce processing time to approve an outdoor fitness application



Seamless application and lodgment process which is assessed and auto-approved.

Allows councils to focus on compliance activities rather than approvals



Example of streamlined application process

# Skip bins

### Available now



Business owner, Council



I want to be able to notify the council of my business trading activities such as the booking of a skip bin so that my application can be auto assessed and granted straight away



Reduce processing time to approve a skip bin booking application



Seamless application and lodgment process which is assessed and auto-approved



Example of streamlined application process

# Business profile account

### Available mid to later this year when a service is offered through Service Victoria

Small Business Owner, Sole Trader



As a business owner once I have used Service Victoria once, I want to be able to create a business profile account so that I can reuse my business details each time I need to lodge an application and track its status



Keep a profile of all my lodged applications in a central location



Have a profile of all my business applications and anything related to these lodged applications



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