

# IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FROM NADRASCA AND BRITE



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Two of Melbourne's most respected disability organisations, Nadrasca and Brite, are pleased to announce a plan to join forces, with both boards signing a Heads of Agreement to enter merger discussions.

Both organisations completed their due diligence and saw great potential to increase and diversify supports and services, inclusive employment opportunities, and commercial business partners across Whitehorse and Hume.

Together, our organisations' histories of empowering people with disability date back to the 1960s. We share common ground in supported employment, and we see opportunities to not only expand community access, individualised support, support coordination and supported independent living, but also to access additional training opportunities.

In announcing our intent, Nadrasca Chair Doug Mitchell and Brite Chair John Carter have said that our organisations' values alignment and shared vision for positive outcomes for the people we support have reinforced the many opportunities this merger presents.

**"We believe Nadrasca has an excellent model of support, and we are looking forward to bringing our notion of Live, Learn, Work and Play to the northern suburbs," Mr Mitchell said.**

**“The Brite Board are optimistic and confident that a merger with Nadrasca will secure Brite’s ability to provide employment services with the same vision, mission and values, in the Hume area, long into the future. We are also very excited to explore what additional services can be provided once the combined resources are in place,” said Mr Carter.**

Nadrasca CEO Glenn Hodgkin and Brite CEO Robert Hannaford and their respective senior teams are looking forward to supporting the discussions about what a merged entity could look like and the outcomes it will achieve.

Both organisations will continue to operate as normal under their current names and structures and will come together through a joint oversight committee to progress the merger conversation.

Forums will be arranged to ensure members stay up to date throughout this process. Additionally, these forums will serve as a platform for members to learn more about each organisation’s unique strengths and to explore how these strengths combined can unlock exciting opportunities.

We look forward to sharing updates as we progress.



John Carter  
Brite Chair



Doug Mitchell  
Nadrasca Chair

