**The Truth, Healing and Reconciliation Taskforce will be in**

**Beenleigh on Wednesday 23rd August 2023**

**and**

**Brisbane on Wednesday 30th August 2023**

**to host discussions and provide information about the National Redress Scheme and institutional child abuse.**

Sessions will include:

Information about the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse

*Mr Robert Atkinson AO, APM*

The National Redress Scheme: Eligibility, options, and support services available for Redress applicants including Knowmore; Link-Up; Lotus Place

Panel Discussion with Taskforce members: *Stories, impacts and recommendations moving forward; options available after application including Direct Personal Response Facilitators, Counselling and Psychological Care and Redress Support Services*

**Who will be there?**

**Truth, Healing and Reconciliation Taskforce representatives**

The Taskforce is chaired by Bob Atkinson and is made up of 10 members, some who have lived experience of institutional child sexual abuse. It was established to provide opportunities for people with lived experience of institutional child abuse and their support networks to provide advice to Queensland Government about implementing the reforms from the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse.

**knowmore Legal Service**

knowmore is an independent service that provides free, independent legal advice and support to survivors of child abuse, including information about redress or compensation options

**Redress Support Services**

Redress Support Services, including Micah Projects (Lotus Place) and Link-Up QLD, will be available on the day to provide information and support to people seeking information about making an application to the National Redress Scheme.

Due to the sensitive nature of the topic support will be available on the day.

**23rd August 2023**

**Southside Community Forum**

**Beenleigh Events Centre**

**Function Room 3**

**Kent Street, Beenleigh Qld 4207**

**9:30am – 2:30pm**

**30th August 2023**

**Brisbane Community Forum**

**Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre**

**A2 Room**

**Glenelg St South Brisbane QLD 4101**

**9:30am – 2:30pm**

Please RSVP by **COB Friday 4 August 2023 for catering purposes at** [taskforce.secretariat@cyjma.qld.gov.au](mailto:taskforce.secretariat@cyjma.qld.gov.au)

**Please identify which forum (Brisbane or Beenleigh) you will be attending.**

If you would like any further information please contact Wendy Mollah – 0448 185 797 or Romola Roles – 0467 739 280, Taskforce Secretariat at the Department of Children, Youth Justice and Multicultural Affairs or via [taskforce.secretariat@cyjma.qld.gov.au](mailto:taskforce.secretariat@cyjma.qld.gov.au)

More information on the Truth, Healing and Reconciliation Taskforce can be found by visiting [**www.cyjma.qld.gov.au/thr-taskforce**](http://www.cyjma.qld.gov.au/thr-taskforce)