## Media Release

The Hon Ros Spence мр Minister for Prevention of Family Violence Minister for Multicultural Affairs Minister for Community Sport Minister for Youth



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## THE ORANGE DOOR NETWORK OPEN IN HASTINGS

The Andrews Labor Government is ensuring people across the Mornington Peninsula have access to family violence and child wellbeing support services, with the expansion of the Bayside Peninsula Orange Door Network.

Minister for Prevention of Family Violence Ros Spence today officially opened the Hastings Orange Door access point, ensuring more people across the region can access the support they need, closer to home.

The Orange Door Network is a free service for adults, children and young people who are experiencing or have experienced family violence, and families needing support with the wellbeing and development of their children.

It brings together workers from specialist family violence, men's, Aboriginal and child and family services to provide coordinated, multi-disciplinary support, including crisis assistance and support, risk assessments, safety planning and wellbeing support.

Since opening in 2018, the Orange Door Bayside Peninsula has supported 58,000 people, including 20,000 children and young people. The Orange Door can be accessed by phone, email or face to face in Frankston, Prahran and Hastings and via an outpost in Rosebud.

Victoria is leading the nation with its work to end family violence, with more than \$3.7 billion invested since the Royal Commission into Family Violence – more than every other state and territory combined.

Since 2018, the Orange Door Network – a key recommendation of the landmark Royal Commission into Family Violence – has assisted more than 238,000 people, including 95,000 children, statewide.

The Orange Door Bayside Peninsula is open from 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday. For more information, call on 1800 271 170 or visit orangedoor.vic.gov.au.

## Quotes attributable to Minister for Prevention of Family Violence Ros Spence

"When experiencing family violence, reaching out for help can be the hardest thing a person will do. We are making sure accessing advice and support is as easy as possible, no matter where you live."

"We are already seeing the power of services working together to support child and family wellbeing, with thousands of residents accessing the Bayside Peninsula Orange Door Network since it opened."