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Education and training discussion paper released

Pipe Bands Australia has released a discussion paper through branches as part of its education and training review following this year's Summer School.

The discussion paper looks at future options for investment in education initiatives to increase engagement in music skill development programs across Australia.

Comments are being canvassed from branches, bands and previous participants in Summer School on the options that include the continued presentation of a week-long school, shorter courses in several states each year incorporating workshops, recitals and adjudicator PD sessions and providing support to existing programs offered within many branches.

PBA president Chris Earl said investment in education and training was a major activity of the national association.

"We flagged this review last year with a view to ensure that our activities reach and include as many members as possible," he said.

"Our discussion paper acknowledges the importance of education and training, the role that Summer School has played over the past decade and the empowering local initiatives that are presented each year.

"Further options may emerge during the discussion period and we invite branches, bands or players to be active participants in helping chart the future of education and training within Pipe Bands Australia."

Responses to the discussion paper are to be received by 2 May and will be included in a draft strategic document for consideration by national management committee, council and college.





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