



## Strong banks are part of the communities they serve

Those words, from author Alan Mayne at the launch of his book *Building a Village - A History of Bendigo Bank*, resonate across Bendigo and the more than 225 Australian communities which operate a **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> branch of the Bendigo and Adelaide Bank.

Alan is a Professor of Social History and Public Policy in the Hawke Research Institute for Sustainable Societies which is a cross-disciplinary humanities and social

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His research focuses on social life and social policy in Australia, Britain, North America, and South Asia and his research interests and publications include community formation and resilience in regional Australia.

He says of his book launched in Bendigo last night: "This is the history of one such bank, Bendigo

Bank, and the many communities that sustain and are sustained by it."

Professor Mayne said that since its establishment in 1858, the bank had built partnerships with communities throughout Australia: from farming districts and country towns to immigrant neighbourhoods in the capital cities.

### 2006

- Construction underway
- Single sale and leaseback agreement

### 2007

- Stages 1 and 2 of The Bendigo Centre occupied
- Data Centre moved from The Lyric to the new data centre in Epsom
- The Lyric demolished
- Fountain Court renovations commenced

### 2008

- Fountain Court renovations completed and staff re-occupy the building
- Sale and leaseback transaction completed
- Stage 3 of The Bendigo Centre completed and opened



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— Damian Hughes  
Commercial Credit Analyst



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