Submission to Yoorrook Justice Commission

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What do you know about the colonisation of Victoria and its impacts on First Peoples?

I know that people came from Launceston and bartered for land. I am not as aware of Victorian colonisation as I am of Tasmanian colonisation.

What has been your experience learning about First Nations history and culture in Victoria's education system? Do you feel it was comprehensive?

I wasn't educated in Victoria but I haven't heard much from my child about First Nations history and culture.

What changes would you like to see in Victoria to promote better understanding and respect for First People?

I went to a Festival called The Dreaming in Queensland about 17 years ago and this was the first time I really got immersed in First Nations culture. Could we have a really inclusive festival like this in Melbourne?

In what ways do you think non-First Nations Victorians can contribute to the process of truth-telling and treaty?

Listen. Listen. Shut up and listen.

In what ways could First Peoples history and culture be promoted in Victoria?

In Wales, all signage is in Welsh and English. It would be nice if our signage was the same.

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