Victorian civil & administrative tribunal

Exploring Online Dispute Resolution

Plan for a Pilot – Access to Justice Review

Small Civil Claims

\$800 000

3 months









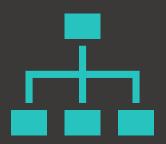
Agile Principles

Collaboration

Transparency



Cross functional









Human Centred Design

Hypothesis

If VCAT introduces ODR, then the Victorian community will experience improved access to justice



Measuring Access to Justice

Accessibility
Appropriateness
Equity
Effectiveness
Efficiency



Pilot Live

Scope?

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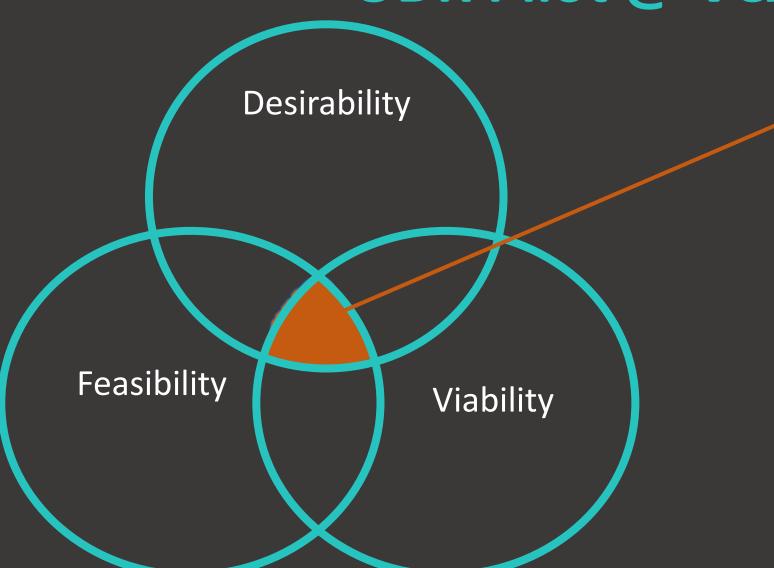








ODR Pilot @ VCAT



Online hearing for small business Target = 30 cases





Preparing for Pilot Live

Recruit



Dry Runs



Impacts



Hyper-care





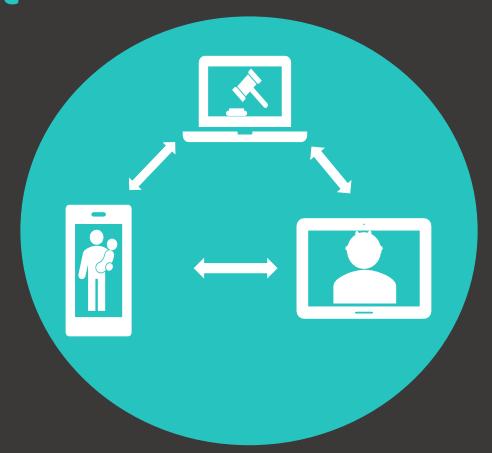
The Pilot

Hearings:

4 weeks

65 cases

71 parties





What did we find?

ODR can improve access to justice

Citizen outcomes:

Greater convenience

Higher respondent participation

Easy to submit digital evidence

Time saved



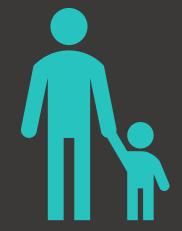
"Wonderfully helpful as it was school holidays and I would have struggled to arrange childcare."

-Pilot Participant

"ODR will allow us to align our VCAT processes to the rest of the business, presenting far greater efficiency internally.

We also anticipate far greater engagement from respondents which is a huge positive for us in resolving disputes to the satisfaction of both parties. We anticipate this will result in greater compliance with orders."

- Frequent user of VCAT









We got mail!

Can you please forward relevant info in relation to the participation in your pilot for the above case number.

I am an independent retailer at Mornington and it is extremely difficult for me to leave my store.

Look forwards to your response

[name withheld]

Greetings..!

Dear Sir/ Madam,

I would like to make an application to the ODRP.

This new system will be very convenient for me as currently I am overseas. We would be thankful if you could help us to make an application soon.

Thank you and best regards

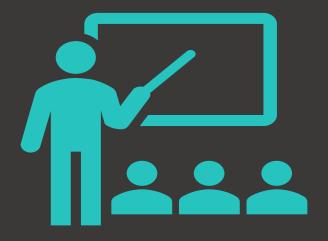
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Project methodology works: Agile and Human Centred Design







What did the Members think?



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Sam Hannah-Rankin Director, Public Sector Innovation Victorian Government



