



The Socially Responsible Design Studio

# NEWSLETTER

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## SEEKING PILOT PARTNERS IN TAKING A CIRCULAR ECONOMY APPROACH

FTD is seeking partners for circular economy pilot projects focused on fitout design. FTD is talking to retail landlords, third-party logistics, hotels, aged care, and even education organisations about implementing circular economy approaches. If you have a suitable site or wish to know more please reach out to us.



## ADVOCACY FOR THE RECOGNITION OF INTERIOR DESIGNERS, INTERIOR ARCHITECTS AND SHOPFITTERS

Our CEO, Vanessa Cullen, has been working with the Design Institute of Australia, the Interior Fitout Association and fellow industry representatives to address the "Further inquiry into the regulation of building standards" pertaining to the new system of design practitioner registration that came into effect, for NSW Class 2 Buildings, in July. Vanessa has been advocating for the regulation and recognition of interior designers, interior architects and shopfitters under the new system. We hope to hear back from the government soon, so stay tuned...

## GREEN FURNITURE HUB

Shout out to a cool business. Green Furniture Hub direct sources quality commercial furniture and then offers this second-hand furniture to charities at no cost and to everyone else at great prices. This saves tonnes of perfectly good furniture from landfill, each year.

[View their website](#)



## WE LIKE THE LOOK OF...

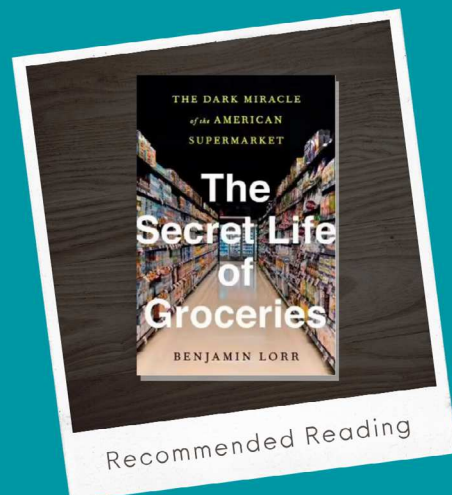
A local fermentation hub for food innovation will be built in Northern Tasmania. It aims to support local fermentation start-ups making a range of different products by providing low-cost access to specialized equipment, research, and education. We also think it'll make for an interesting foodie tourist attraction!

[Read more](#)

## WHAT WE'RE READING

The Secret Life of Groceries by Benjamin Lorr explores the hidden secrets of supermarkets. Although this book is American, the Australian system is not a whole lot different. It is a great read and contains excellent insights for food manufacturers looking to understand the system.

[Buy here](#)



## WHAT WE'RE WORKING ON & WHO WITH

- Two golf club building master plans in regional NSW
- Environmental impact reduction initiative and digital application for the interior fit-out industry Australia-wide
- Organic grocer development planning in Byron Bay, NSW
- Business Strategy with several food & hospitality providers across NSW & ACT.
- Office design for a national social housing charity

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