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"We are piloting AI tools to restore vital civic reporting to communities where news coverage has declined across all media.

"Every trial article clearly discloses AI assistance, and all content is reviewed, edited, and approved by a human editor before publication.

"This initiative runs alongside increased investment in regional Victorian journalism, and we have consulted with our teams at the trial's earliest stages that there will be no impact on existing roles.

"As always, we remain committed to maintaining the highest standards for everything we publish and any errors brought to our attention will be clarified or corrected."