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■ Groundwork ... Alex Andrews.

Paving way to fill vacancies with migrants

THE skills shortage has opened a path for Tarragindi businesswoman Alex Andrews.

The former public service worker with a legal background uses her skills to help employers secure sponsored migration, by taking on the paperwork and negotiating with relevant authorities.

Ms Andrews said more and more employers wanted to bring in people from overseas on temporary visas of up to four years.

"An increasing number of firms are employing the skills of overseas workers including managers, accountants, engineers, tradepersons, computing and health professionals," she said.

Her migration consultancy firm, Clear Path Migration Services, can help with skilled, employer sponsored, partner and family migration as well as business skills entry and student visas.

Companies must have a foreign employee in mind before they come to Ms Andrews.

"For employers the process can be time consuming, there's a lot of paper work," she said.

"So I get in contact with the employee and manage the process."

Ms Andrews migrated to Australia 17 years ago from England before completing a Bachelor of Law from Queensland University of Technology.

She went on to work for the State Government.

It was as a volunteer with the Refugee and Immigration Legal Service, based at West End, that her interest caught fire and a business idea sparked.

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