



Cherry Lake Ward

Altona, Altona North, Altona Meadows, Brooklyn, Seaholme



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Cherry Lake recovery

A report released by Environment Protection Authority Victoria (EPA) and Melbourne Water details that there has been ecosystem recovery for the waters of Cherry Creek and Cherry Lake since the major spill of a detergent on 7 March. Based on water sampling from 11 locations, the lake and creek have naturally recovered, including the natural regeneration of species. The EPA continues to warn the public to avoid drinking the water and eating fish from Cherry Creek and Cherry Lake, south of Kororoit Creek Road as a precaution. For more, visit www.epa.vic.gov.au/for-community/incidents/cherry-creek-and-lake

Better Places Brooklyn and Altona North

The final stage of the Better Places Brooklyn and Altona North Place Guide is open for your feedback until Saturday 15 October. Nine project ideas are proposed in the draft place guide including: safer and more accessible spaces for young people, a new 'heart' for Altona North and an Oxygen Forest. Tell us what you think about the draft place guide at participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/betterplaces-brooklyn-and-altona-north

Pier Street works

Stage 4 of the Pier Street redevelopment in Altona is expected to be completed by mid-November, weather permitting, in time for summer. Once complete, the streetscape improvement works will create safe pedestrian access across Queen Street and the Esplanade, and provide better pedestrian access along Pier Street thanks to the widening of the footpaths. The works will also allow for outdoor dining and will increase the shade and canopy cover in the lower end of Pier Street. For more, visit www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/altonabeachprecinct

Seniors Festival is back for 2022!

Throughout October, join in on our great program of free and low-cost events right across Hobsons Bay. Residents can take a journey through the back lanes and streets of Williamstown, discuss current affairs, play speed Scrabble, learn Spanish, participate in yoga and much more. Check out the full program and book your spots: www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/seniorsfest

Civic Spaces Showcase

There's still time to take part in the Civic Spaces Showcase! Come along for a free tour at 10am or 2pm or join a showcase event:

The HobArchies exhibition – Wed 12 Oct, 6pm to 8pm

Civic Centre business open day – Thur 13 Oct, 9am to 12pm

Active Bystander Training – Fri 14 Oct, 9.30am to 1.30pm

Gardening tips – Sat 15 Oct, 10am to 12pm

To book, visit: www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/showcase



JT Gray Reserve upgrade

Works are progressing at JT Gray Reserve in Williamstown North with the cricket nets complete, and the steel framing and wall panels for the pavilion installed, with the roof to follow. The pavilion and associated car park works are due for completion in early 2023. The reserve is located on the corner of Kororoit Creek Road and Maddox Road in Williamstown North and is one of Council's regional sport and recreation reserves, catering for cricket and soccer throughout the year. For more, visit www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/JTGrayReserve

Mary Street Reserve Master Plan

You're invited to a community workshop to share your ideas for the Mary Street Reserve Master Plan design this Saturday 15 October, 3pm to 5.30pm at the Newport Hub. The draft for the reserve in Spotswood builds on preliminary feedback from the community and is part of Better Places Spotswood and South Kingsville program. The upgrade works are proposed as part of Council's 2023/24 capital works program. For more information, visit participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/mary-street-reserve-master-plan

South Kingsville Community Centre – completed works!

The South Kingsville Community Centre Kindergarten has been renovated with new flooring in the kindergarten room and offices, and new internal painting. To celebrate, South Kingsville Community Centre hosted an open day on Saturday 8 October. The event was supported by Council's Make it Happen Grants. For more information about South Kingsville Community Centre, visit www.skcc.net.au

Children's Week

Children's Week features a huge range of free activities for our youngest residents from Saturday 22 October to Sunday 30 October. View the full program and book your spots: www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/childrensweek

Citizen of the Year Awards

Nominations are now open for the 2023 Hobsons Bay Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year Awards! The awards celebrate the outstanding contributions and achievements individuals make to the Hobsons Bay community. Nominate someone who deserves to be recognised at www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/citizenawards or your local library.

Amendment C134 – have your say

Council is proposing to update the Hobsons Bay Planning Scheme. Amendment C134 corrects zoning and text anomalies in the Planning Scheme. To view the proposed changes and provide feedback by 3 November, visit participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/anomalies-amendment



Vital conservation work at Truganina Park

Thanks to funding from the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP), our conservation team, with the help of volunteers, planted 3000 indigenous plants at Truganina Park in Altona Meadows and have undertaken a large-scale weed control program to help protect threatened vegetation species. To read more, visit www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/conservation

Better Places Seabrook + Altona Meadows

Have your say on the Better Places Seabrook and Altona Meadows draft vision, themes, and project ideas until 15 October. Following extensive consultation from stage one, three themes have been identified: pride of place and local identity, bringing the community closer together, and a place that is easier and safer to move around. Provide feedback at participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/bpsam

Better Places missing links and road safety upgrades for Laverton

Two Better Places Laverton projects are coming to fruition. The Maher Road and Aviation Road works will improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists, and both projects kick off this month. Construction of the shared user path on Maher Road will provide a missing link for pedestrians by connecting Bladin Street to the new Aircraft train station and path. Additional works include two raised crossing points over Maher Road and one raised crossing over Bladin Street. Following the Maher Street works, the existing pedestrian crossing in Aviation Road will be upgraded to a raised crossing. Speed humps will replace the current traffic cushions. During construction, the roads will be closed with traffic management and detours in place. For more, visit www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/LWU

New art installations

A new sensory experience is coming to footpaths in Paine Reserve in Newport and GH Ransom Reserve in Altona. The two public art installations by local artist Carlos Almenar Diaz are inspired by native flora in Hobsons Bay, the wildflowers of the Western Volcanic Plains and the wetlands saltmarshes. The project is funded through Council's Community Support Package - New Art Stream and will be installed until February 2023. Come along to an artist talk at Newport's Paine Reserve on Saturday 29 October at 10.30am.

New play space strategy

Want to help us make our local play spaces better? We've updated our Playspace Strategy to help guide long-term improvements to our parks and playgrounds for all users and abilities, and all kids - big and small. Help us update Council's Draft Play Space Strategy, find out more and provide feedback at participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/draft-play-space-strategy