



## Cherry Lake Ward

Altona, Altona North, Altona Meadows, Brooklyn, Seaholme



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### Altona Beach Precinct

Check out the plans for the urban renewal of Pier Street from Queen Street to the Esplanade, the upgrade of Weaver Reserve, the proposed closure of the Esplanade between Bent Street and Pier Street, a new beach entry to the main swimming beach at the bottom of Pier Street, raising of the seawall to accommodate sea level rise and storm surges associated with climate change, the realignment of the shared trail to behind the seawall and a new pedestrian beach access point near Webb Street. View the final concept plans at [participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/altonabeachprecinct-1](https://participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/altonabeachprecinct-1) by 21 April.

### Brooklyn Community Hall update

The Brooklyn Community Hall upgrade is gathering momentum with the project's reference group conducting a series of workshops in May to work through the design development. The final draft design will then be open for community feedback. To stay up-to-date on the project, keep an eye on [participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au](https://participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au)

### Rainbow Pride in Altona

Midsumma Westside, a celebration of the west's LGBTIQA+ community comes to Hobsons Bay from 19 April to 5 May. The Louis Joel Arts and Community Centre has been involved in the festival for the past 10 years and each year it gets bigger and better. Head to the centre between 11am to 2pm on Saturday 24 April for rainbow activities, food and fun to celebrate. Activities are free but bookings are required. Visit [hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/Midsumma](https://hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/Midsumma)

### Tree planting season launch and tree giveaway

Brooklyn Reserve will be abuzz with activity on Saturday 24 April from 10am to 12pm with roving performers, free hot drinks and a conservation display as part of Council's free tree giveaway to celebrate the launch of the 2021 tree planting season and Urban Forest Strategy. To register, visit [www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/UrbanForestStrategy](https://www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/UrbanForestStrategy)

### Waste and recycling review

Join the conversation about Hobsons Bay's waste and recycling kerbside services by completing the online survey by 25 April. Households have been sent letters with unique log-ins to participate in the survey. All responses, positive and negative, are anonymous and will inform Council's one-year review into the service. For more information, visit [hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/recycling](https://hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/recycling)

### Heritage Hobsons Bay Festival

Running from 18 April to 2 May as part of the National Trust's Australian Heritage Festival, Heritage Hobsons Bay invites you to discover stories from our area's rich cultural history at a range of events. Visit [hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/heritagehobsonsbay](https://hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/heritagehobsonsbay)



### Digman Reserve upgrade

Construction of the new pavilion is well underway and on schedule to be completed by June 2021. Recycled chimney bricks are being used to form the external walls of the pavilion. The eastern playing field has been redeveloped and floodlights have been installed to increase training capacity and support winter sports. Solar powered lights have been installed in the new Douglas Parade carpark. Redevelopment of the west oval and the play area will take place in the new financial year. For more information, visit [hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/digman](https://hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/digman)

### Mason Street road works

The speed cushions and road surface at Mason Street, Newport (west of Market Street) have been completed as part of Council's 20-21 Capital Works Program. For more on Council's Capital Works program, visit [hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/Council/Current-Projects](https://hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/Council/Current-Projects)

### Fearon Reserve lacrosse safety netting

Council will install safety netting at Fearon Reserve to protect spectators, park users and properties during lacrosse training and competition times. The installation includes two permanent steel boxes at each end of the reserve. These works will be completed by the end of April. It's the latest in a series of works at the reserve which has resulted in upgrades to the pavilions and carpark. Visit [hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/fearonreserve](https://hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/fearonreserve)

### Crime Stoppers Hoon Hotline

Following a number of incidents of hoon behaviour across Hobsons Bay, the community is reminded that they can call Crime Stoppers anonymously on 1800 333 000 or visit [crimestoppersvic.com.au](https://crimestoppersvic.com.au) to report hoon activity.

### Have your say

Council has a number of projects and plans out for community consultation. Don't miss the chance to get involved and have your say on:

- the draft Coastal and Marine Management Plan to guide the use and protection of Hobsons Bay's foreshore. Feedback closes Friday 16 April.
- Council Plan 2021-25 to determine Council's priorities in the coming four years and make sure actions align with the community's vision. Keep an eye out for our 'Hitting the Streets' team and chat with them at local shops and train stations. Feedback closes 21 April.
- Digital transformation to guide the development of a new, online customer service platform. Feedback closes on 28 April.



### Block Party returns

Celebrate all things creative in Laverton with the return of Block Party on Saturday 1 May 2021, 11am to 3pm, in the Woods and Lohse Streets precinct in Laverton. The day's entertainment includes Crashendo Children's Choir, Beasties by Kinetic Theatre, Dr Hubble, Cook Island F7 Soul Drummers, live music curated by young people and more. People will be able to drop into the Mesh Mash Studio to print a free tote bag, enjoy multicultural food and coffee and listen to home-grown FreeZA bands and local school performances. Visit [hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/Community/Whats-On/Block-Party-2021](https://hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/Community/Whats-On/Block-Party-2021)

### Follow the trail of the parrot

Visitors to Truganina Park can now explore woodland areas and closely observe saltmarsh environments that lie behind the 100 Steps of Federation mound by following the 'Parrot Track', a new gravel track which now leads past a site previously visited by a flock of the critically endangered Swift Parrot. For more on local conservation reserves, visit [hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/conservation](https://hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/conservation)

### Laverton Community Hub Active Program

Keep fit, stay safe and connected through a range of exercise classes at the Laverton Community Hub. Classes include Zumba, pilates, craft, yoga, men's active, Tai Chi and line dancing – all great excuses for keeping the mind and body healthy while creating social connection. Classes cost \$5 (\$2 concession). Visit [hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/LavertonCommunityHub](https://hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/LavertonCommunityHub) or call 9932 3011.

- Hobsons Bay Business has Heart Outdoors to determine the long-term future of the outdoor trading program. Feedback closes 30 April.

Visit [participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au](https://participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au)

### Free baby sleep consulting advice

A new baby sleep and settling program, delivered by Council's Maternal and Child Health Nurses will soon be available to parents in Hobsons Bay. The free, 90-minute, small group sessions will be held in person and will provide age appropriate information on infant and early childhood positive sleep patterns, as well as tips and strategies for settling your baby or toddler. The first session is on Friday 23 April for babies who are six to 12 months. Visit [hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/sleepsettling](https://hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/sleepsettling)

### Council meeting date change

The Council meeting originally scheduled for 13 April 2021 has been rescheduled to 20 April 2021. The meeting will focus on the Proposed Annual Budget 2021-22 and Proposed Revenue and Rating Plan 2021-22 to 2024-25. Public questions need to be received by 12pm Monday 19 April 2021 using the online form at [hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/publicquestiontimeform](https://hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/publicquestiontimeform)