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HOBSONS BAY WARD NEWS

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Altona Foreshore Upgrade

The Altona foreshore is set to receive a \$2.1 million upgrade to protect it from the damaging effects of climate change, including sea level rise and the increased intensity of storm events. A new pedestrian access ramp will be built to access the foreshore at Millers Road near Flemings Pool, and a vehicle access ramp will be built opposite Bent Street. The seawalls in both locations will be raised to meet 2070 climate change standards. The designs include a viewing platform, concrete tiered seating and a ramp leading directly onto the foreshore. The Flemings Pool design includes a ramp for kayaks, canoes and stand up paddleboards.

Crofts Reserve feedback

The state government has partnered with Council to deliver a package of improvements to its sporting facilities and recreational spaces in areas near the West Gate Tunnel Project. One of the reserves to be upgraded is W.L.J. Crofts Reserve in Altona North. Plans include a new pavilion with new change rooms and toilets, two new football/cricket ovals, new cricket practice facilities, installation of new flood lighting, a revamped parking area, landscaping works and minor playspace upgrades. Have your say on the draft improvement plan before 22 July at participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/WLJcrofts

PA Burns Reserve

Council has commenced works on the first two phases of the PA Burns Reserve master plan. It is anticipated that these works will take between 12 and 16 weeks to complete. During this period there will be detours on the Hobsons Bay Shared Trail from the Altona Coastal Park to the Altona Boat Ramp. Access to the dog beach will be from the Pines Scout Camp. The PA Burns Reserve master plan aims to improve use of the space for dog owners and shared trail users. For details, visit www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/paburnsreserve

Queen Street Bridge campaign

Join our campaign asking the state government to include a pedestrian and cycling link in its planned upgrade for the Queen Street Bridge. The bridge is a key connection between the west and east of the municipality and has no safe provisions for pedestrians and cyclists who have no safe option but to travel 600 metres around the bridge to cross Laverton Creek. Keep an eye out for campaign postcards at Altona Meadows Library, Central Square Shopping Centre, Hobsons Bay Civic Centre to submit or sign the online petition at www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/queenstreetbridge

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Open House Melbourne

The Australian Islamic Centre, The Substation, Blunts Boatbuilders, the Spotswood Pumping Station, Williamstown Botanic Gardens, Williamstown Town Hall and Williamstown Library are just some of the buildings which will be celebrated in Open House Melbourne from 27-28 July. The city-wide event enables people to experience Hobsons Bay through design and is a great opportunity for residents to explore some of our local architectural marvels. To see the full program or book a tour visit www.openhousemelbourne.org

And... don't miss out on Mission Songs Project, a special Arts At Your Doorstep performance at the Williamstown Town Hall on Wednesday 10 July at 7.30pm. Visit www.hobsonsbaytickets.com.au for tickets.

#StartWest Festival for start-ups

Innovators, creatives and entrepreneurs from across Melbourne's west are invited to meet with like-minded individuals at the #StartWest Festival this month. The line-up for this free event includes keynote speaker and innovation psychologist Dr Amantha Imber and break-out sessions hosted by experts in facebook marketing, fundraising, creativity and innovation. The #StartWest Festival runs from 12pm to 8pm on Wednesday 24 July at The Substation in Newport. To register or find out more contact business@hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au

Craig Street Park upgrade

Craig Street Park is getting a major makeover with new footpaths, additional picnic settings and shelter, new playground equipment, fitness equipment, tree planting and its very own community garden! These works are the result of extensive community consultation last year. Works are expected to take about eight weeks, with the park expected to reopen in August. For details, visit www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/craigstreetpark

National Tree Day – Sunday 28 July

Everyone is invited to slip on their gardening gloves and plant a tree or two for National Tree Day on Sunday 28 July. Council's main event, held in partnership with the Friends of Lower Kororoit Creek, will take place along the banks of the Kororoit Creek from 10am to 2pm at Altona Memorial Park's eastern reserve on Dohertys Road. There will also be roving entertainment and a barbecue lunch. Wear suitable clothes, including enclosed shoes and, if possible, bring your own trowel and hammer. To register, and find out about other National Tree Day events, visit treeday.planetark.org

Wetlands Ward

Altona Meadows, Laverton, Seabrook



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Old Laverton School

Building and landscape works are now complete at the Laverton Old School which was originally built in 1888. In addition to detailed heritage restoration, these works include the addition of three new toilets (including one accessible toilet) a galley kitchen, and a storage room. The current fence will be replaced in the coming weeks. It is anticipated that the site will be open for public use before the end of next month.

Completion of Skeleton Creek Shared Trail

Works are about to start on the final stages of the Skeleton Creek Shared Trail. The existing asphalt path will be upgraded to a three metre wide concrete path between Ravenswood Court through to St Anthony Court. In response to suggestions from the local community, some new features will be installed to make the shared trail even more enjoyable, including bench seating, a bike maintenance station, dog waste bag dispensers, bins and additional tree plantings. The design has been developed to respect and celebrate the local flora and fauna and cultural heritage within the creek corridor and the trail will follow the existing path with minor refinements. The works are scheduled to start later this month.

Cool streets in Altona Meadows

Two streets in Altona Meadows are participating in a trial of the Cool Streets project, in partnership with Gallagher Studios. The project works with local communities to plant effective street trees that provide shade in heat-affected urban areas. For more information, contact the Sustainability Team on 9932 1000.

A fairer Hobsons Bay for all

Council is preparing its first integrated social policy. The draft A Fairer Hobsons Bay for All 2019-23 policy combines five existing policies and brings together priorities and actions under a number of coordinated themes. This is intended to simplify and focus our social policy to achieve the best possible outcomes for people living in Hobsons Bay. The policy is available for public comment until 24 July at participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/a-fairer-hobsons-bay-for-all

