

# AROUND THE BAY

## HOBSONS BAY WARD NEWS

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### Cherry Lake Ward

Altona, Altona North, Brooklyn, Seaholme



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### Brooklyn Dog Park construction update

Brooklyn dogs will soon have their day! After extensive consultation with the local community, the construction of the dog park at Brooklyn Reserve has begun.

The works are expected to be completed in mid-2018 with an additional six weeks of the site being fenced off to enable the grass to establish. For more information, visit <http://www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/BrooklynDogPark>

### Second Avenue strip upgrade

People visiting the Second Avenue shops in Altona North will soon be able to enjoy wider footpaths with new pavement and new pram ramps for better accessibility.

The streetscape upgrade project, due for completion at the end of June, also includes kerb extensions, improved on-street parking, car park and road resurfacing, as well as a vehicle speed limit reduction. All shops and businesses have remained open throughout the works.

Please support the precinct and enjoy the new social gathering space and landscaping that will soon be part of the local landscape. For more information, visit [www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/secondave](http://www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/secondave)

### Tree planting in Altona

The 2018 tree planting season has kicked off with over 300 trees having been planted in Altona and Seaholme.

*Lophostemon confertus* trees have been planted along Grieve Parade to provide summer shade while Australian natives, *Banksia integrifolia* trees have been planted along Queen Street to provide colour, shade and a food source for birds.

Native tree species *Tristaniopsis laurina* has also been planted along Ransom Avenue, which will significantly improve the streetscape.

### Hobsons Bay World Environment Day event 3 June

Over 400 people visited the Williamstown Town Hall on Sunday 3 June for the Hobsons Bay World Environment Day Community Festival.

Speakers and experts joined over 20 local environmental community groups to host stalls and to provide information about environmental programs and initiatives, tips and tricks to beat plastic pollution and how to reduce waste.

Community members participated in workshops and demonstrations and younger participants created recyclable 'Trash Puppets'.

Thanks to the Hobsons Bay community for attending.

### Strand Ward

Newport, Spotswood, South Kingsville, Williamstown



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### Willy Lit Fest

The Williamstown Literary Festival, known as the Willy Lit Fest, turns 15 this year and the 2018 festival promises to be one of the biggest and best! The festival takes place this weekend at the Williamstown Library and Town Hall and this year's theme is 'from little things', a belief that extraordinary things can come from humble beginnings.

Willy Lit Fest forms part of Hobsons Bay City Council's winter arts calendar, which includes collaborations between The Substation and Melbourne International Jazz Festival in June, the Newport Folk Festival in July and Source, a multicultural arts presentation involving our Indian community at the Louis Joel Gallery in Altona in August.

Visit [www.willylitfest.org.au](http://www.willylitfest.org.au)

### Neon Dog Park

The Neon Dog Park, a lighting art installation featuring dogs of all breeds and sizes, will illuminate the Williamstown waterfront nightly from 4pm to 10pm on Friday 29 June to Sunday 8 July. Created by Melbourne artist Carla O'Brien, and first seen at Melbourne's White Night, Neon Dog Park comprises eight individual neon artworks with music on Friday and Saturday nights.

Post your photos to social media using the hashtag #waterfrontwilliamstown. Visit [www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/neondogpark](http://www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/neondogpark)

### Williamstown Botanic Gardens Master Plan update

Council has developed a master plan for the future of the Williamstown Botanic Gardens in collaboration with the Williamstown Botanic Gardens Advisory Group, the Friends of Williamstown Botanic Gardens and Heritage Victoria. From March to May this year, Council sought community feedback through Participate Hobsons Bay and received 58 formal submissions. Thank you to the community for contribution and for more information, visit <https://participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/>

### Compost Revolution program

Council has partnered with Compost Revolution, an award-winning program which aims to reduce the amount of garden waste and food scraps going to landfill and to provide residents with a nutrient-rich compost to use on their gardens. Launched on World Environment Day, Hobsons Bay residents can now receive a 50 per cent discount and free delivery on the cost of a compost bin, bokashi bin or worm farm. For more information, visit [www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/Environment-Waste/Waste-Recycling/Waste-and-Recycling-Initiatives/Compost-and-Worm-Farms](http://www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/Environment-Waste/Waste-Recycling/Waste-and-Recycling-Initiatives/Compost-and-Worm-Farms)

Council will also be holding a series of food waste avoidance community workshops and cooking demonstrations during July – so watch this space for confirmed dates.

### Wetlands Ward

Altona Meadows, Laverton, Seabrook



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### Woods Street Arts Precinct Laverton – new artist residencies

Laverton's Woods Street Arts Space and Mesh Mash print design studio have partnered with Deakin University's Institute of Koorie Education to offer two new artist in residency programs for Hobsons Bay. The arts precinct will welcome Wiradjuri artist Brandi Salmon and Gundjitrara artist Paula Reeves for a two-week residency which will include an artists' talk and creative workshop on Saturday 16 June. Bookings are recommended at <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/aboriginal-artists-residency-program-talk-and-workshop-tickets-46552856848>

### New solar lighting for Pipeline Reserve, Seabrook

Council is preparing to install new solar lighting at Pipeline Reserve, Seabrook between Point Cook Road and Shane Avenue over the coming weeks. The Reserve is home to a children's play area and a new footpath connecting Shane Avenue and Point Cook Road, both of which are currently unlit.

### Planting at the GROW site and Laverton Creek

Council is proposing to reinvigorate the landscaping at the 'GROW' site, corner of Merton and Queen Sts, Altona Meadows during winter following ongoing vandalism. Several species of plants are proposed for planting and the community is invited to view and provide feedback on the plan by 25 June 2018. Visit <https://participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au>

The community is also invited to a Refugee Week community planting day at Laverton Creek on Saturday 23 June, 10am to 1pm at Bladin Street, Laverton on the south west side of the bridge. Tools, gloves and a free barbecue lunch will be provided.

Council's tree planting crews have planted 111 street trees in Laverton and Seabrook so far this tree planting season, with more plantings to come for open space.

### Newport Folk Festival

The Newport Folk Festival returns to the Newport Bowls Club, Newport Community Hub, The SUBSTATION, Newport RSL, and Newport Scout Hall from 29 June to 1 July with music, workshops, kids' activities, storytelling, street performances and a range of free performances on Market Street.

To buy tickets, more information and full program of performances visit [newportfolkfestival.org.au](http://newportfolkfestival.org.au) or phone 1300 799 136.