

LANGRIDGE WARD UPDATE

Abbotsford and parts of Richmond

Langridge
Ward

Abbotsford

I'm pleased to update you on key projects I'm working on as your Councillor. A Victoria Street Strategy to see this street return to a safe, clean, green and thriving street is a key priority — I'll continue to update you on this project. Council is also working on an updated business case with the State Government to create affordable housing on Council land next to Collingwood Town Hall.

The draft Budget is now out for community consultation, and I would encourage you to provide feedback. I'm pleased with planned investments in our community, including significant road, footpath, cycling and stormwater improvements.

Cr Evangeline Aston | Langridge Ward



Working for You: Local projects in your area

Stormwater drain works at Hoddle Street, Abbotsford

We recently completed the renewal of the brick stormwater drain at Hoddle Street in Abbotsford. These works help to maintain and extend the life of our drains.

We own and operate an extensive network of drainage and stormwater assets. They're an important part of Yarra's infrastructure by protecting public and private properties from flooding and ensuring the clean and safe collection of water into our waterways.

These works cost approximately \$200,000.

Abbotsford now has a weekly bin collection

Residents have been pleased that Abbotsford is now receiving the same waste collection as the rest of Yarra, with weekly general waste (red bin) collection instead of fortnightly.

This change has been in effect since February and will continue. All other services (recycling and glass) will remain the same.

Advocacy win: Gipps Street ramp and elevated pathway

A major upgrade to the Yarra Trail is well underway between Gipps Street and Clarke Street, thanks to Council's sustained advocacy with the Victorian Government. Parks Victoria is constructing a new **\$15 million** elevated pathway, improving walking and cycling connections across the Yarra.

This project has unfortunately been delayed and frustrated many residents who want to get on and receive the benefit of the upgrade. Council isn't directly delivering the works and continues to work with Parks Victoria to see the project delivered as soon as possible.

Supporting our community: Addressing rough sleeping

Council takes a compassionate approach to homelessness, while maintaining public health and community safety. Our Engagement Officers regularly check rough sleeping sites, make referrals to outreach services and assess safety.

Council is also involved in the Yarra Zero project, in partnership with local services to provide a coordinated response to people who are sleeping rough and experiencing homelessness.

Rough sleeping at community places can pose health and safety risks. Council does not tolerate violence and aggression in public spaces and threats to safety should be reported to Victoria Police.

If someone is in immediate danger, or poses a risk, call **000** for assistance. If you are concerned about the welfare of someone sleeping rough, please alert our engagement officers by calling **9205 5555** or Launch Housing on **8598 1111**.

Safer streets in Clifton Hill and North Abbotsford

We're rolling out a series of road safety and pedestrian improvements in Clifton Hill and North Abbotsford, making it safer and easier for everyone to move around these neighbourhoods.

Works began in mid-February at the Trenerry Crescent and Turner Street roundabout, with more upgrades planned at Trenerry Crescent and Bath and Abbott Streets.

These upgrades are part of the Clifton Hill and North Abbotsford Corridor Road Safety Study, and will include improved pedestrian crossings, traffic calming measures and safer intersections.



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