

BOULEVARD WARD UPDATE

Burnley and parts of Richmond and Abbotsford

The new Council has delivered its first budget and four-year Council Plan, and I'm so pleased to share with you some of the exciting projects that will benefit our local community. Please take the time to read the content on the next page to see some of the projects in Boulevard Ward. I'm also pleased to update you on some of the projects we are currently working on below.

I've also been working with the community consultative committee on the future use of Citizen's Park, held a community meeting to discuss bike lane improvements along Coppin Street and held my first Ward Meeting for the year at Richmond Town Hall.

Our local businesses will benefit from a one-hour free parking trial along Swan, Bridge and Victoria streets in our budget and I'm pleased our seniors card holders will be eligible for concession memberships and entry to our leisure facilities. There has also been significant investment in the sporting facilities at Kevin Bartlett Reserve.

You can read more about our approved 2025/26 budget on Council's website. Please feel free to contact me to discuss any issues that matter to you.

Cr Sharon Harrison | Boulevard Ward



2025/26 Budget Highlights: Boulevard Ward

WORKING FOR YOU



Richmond Library upgrade (\$300,000)

Initial works, including site investigations, community and stakeholder consultations and associated planning.



Updating Annette's Place (\$50,000)

We're visualising upgrades to existing playground paths, seating, BBQ and picnic facilities, landscaping and fencing.



Renewing Golden Square Reserve (\$638,000)

Upgrade and expansion of the playground along with landscaping, tree planting and replacing garden beds.



Improving Kevin Bartlett Reserve (\$535,000)

We're designing the new Gillon Pavilion, planning a synthetic pitch to replace the turf at Bastow 2, upgrading the fence between Fletcher 1 and Fletcher 2, and renewing Fletcher 1's turf.

Working for You: Local projects in your area



New fairway and trees at Burnley Golf Course

The new fairway at Burnley Golf Course is open and its fresh turf has restored the course to top condition. We have planted four river redgum trees and plan to plant another six later in the year. This is in addition to the 10,000 native ground covers, grasses and shrubs to boost biodiversity and give local wildlife more habitat.



Upgrades to Parkville Street, Burnley

A \$25,000 upgrade has renewed the footpath, kerb, channel and roadway on Parkville Street, smoothing uneven surfaces and improving drainage. The new kerb and channel now guide stormwater safely into Council's system.



Recent Richmond Library refurbishments

Richmond Library received a minor refurbishment thanks to funding received from the Victorian Government's Living Libraries Infrastructure Program.

The grant contributed to improvements to library programming spaces and kitchenette, new shelving and casual seating, the creation of a dedicated nursing space within the children's library, and installation of two soundproof study booths. One booth is fully accessible for community members with mobility scooters with an automatic door and adjustable furniture, and the other provides one or two people with a semi-private space for conversation or study.



Kerb improvements on Corsair Street, Richmond

Council's in-house crew has realigned the concrete and bluestone kerb on Corsair Street to stop heavy vehicles mounting the verge. This safeguards nearby infrastructure and garden beds from further damage.



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Key projects by category



Drainage, kerb and channel renewals

- Jackson Street kerb and channel works from Tudor Street to end of the street (\$19,965)
- Coppin Street brick drain renewal (Stage 2) — Little Abinger Street to Wall Street (\$350,000)



Bike lane planning and improvements

- Coppin Street bike lane modifications (\$100,000)
- Investigation into Coppin Street cycling design works (\$50,000)
- Coppin Street intersection — designs for Bridge Road and Swan Street corners (\$200,000)