

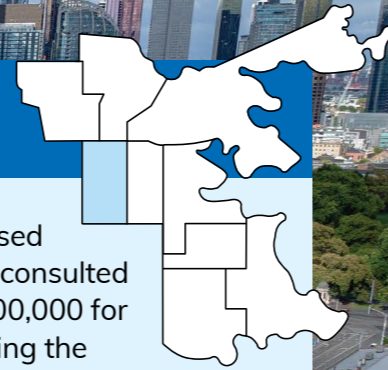
MACKILLOP WARD UPDATE | Fitzroy

I'm pleased to report on the first budget of the new Council – one that's focused on backing our communities and planning for the future. Here in Fitzroy, I've consulted and listened to secure funding for some key priorities – most importantly \$300,000 for a Futsal field at Atherton Gardens, with \$200,000 of this coming after lobbying the State Government. Take a look at the next page to see more of the projects being delivered in Fitzroy in the coming year.

Work is also progressing on a number of projects across Fitzroy, with more details below. Please look out for your invitation shortly to the opening of Smith Reserve in Fitzroy, where we have installed brand-new play equipment, a new picnic area and improved fencing for the dogs off-leash area.

I invite you to read more about our approved budget on Council's website. If you wish to discuss any part of it with me, or if you have any other ward matters, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Cr Stephen Jolly | Mayor and Councillor | MacKillop Ward



Working for You: Local projects in your area

Smith Reserve upgrade opening soon

Works to install a brand-new play area at Smith Reserve in Fitzroy are well underway. A new picnic area, pathway, green space and improved fencing for dogs in the off-leash area are also almost complete. This will help create a more enjoyable and secure environment for families and dog owners.

Streetscape works at the corner of Brunswick and Gertrude Street

Last year we adopted the concept design for streetscape improvements at the corner of Brunswick and Gertrude Streets, in North Fitzroy. A contract to build these improvements has now been awarded and works will start in July. The work should be completed by the end of 2025, subject to approval from the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation. These approvals are required as the site is in an area of cultural heritage significance.

Kindergarten upgrade complete

We recently completed \$50,000 in upgrades to the John Street Community Early Childhood Co-Op Kindergarten in Fitzroy.

The works focused on the exterior and outdoor areas of the kindergarten. They included installation of a new child safe compliant exterior fence, new timber panels, and new shade sails over the playground.

Exceeding our annual tree planting target

In our Urban Forest Strategy we set a target to plant 400 to 800 new trees each year. This planting season we will plant more than 950 trees throughout our streets, parks and bushland areas – exceeding our annual target.



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2025/26 Budget Highlights: MacKillop Ward

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Futsal Pitch at Atherton Gardens (\$100,000)

Designs for a new Futsal hard court pitch near the housing estate. (We also received a \$200,000 grant from the Victorian Government for this project)



Fitzroy Swimming Pool upgrades (\$55,000)

Revitalising gym facilities and replacement of lockers.



Yarra Youth Centre veranda (\$110,000)

A new veranda to provide shade and shelter and optimise space use in the centre's forecourt.



Key projects by category



Roadworks

- Napier Street, Fitzroy: speed hump (\$35,000)
- George Street, Fitzroy: tree and road works (\$10,000)
- James Street, Fitzroy: road pavement works (\$59,281)
- Brunswick Street Feasibility Study (\$30,000)



Footpath works

- Scotchmer Street, North Fitzroy (\$150,000)
- James Street, Fitzroy (\$42,407)
- Napier Street, Fitzroy (\$275,720)
- Yarra Street, Abbotsford (\$100,784)