

CURTAIN WARD UPDATE

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Shop local
this summer

Drainage upgrades
near you

More trees in
Carlton North



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Carlton North, Princes Hill
and part of Fitzroy North

It's great to be back following parental leave — thank you again for the kind wishes for my family.

Over the past few months, works have been progressing along Amess Street; drainage upgrades have wrapped up in Princes Hill and Carlton North; and new green medians have added much-needed trees and native lovely plants along Richardson Street.

As we head into the festive season, I encourage you to shop locally in Rathdowne Village, Nicholson Village, and at businesses along Lygon Street — your support keeps these community hubs thriving.

Lewis, Quinto, Flora and I wish you and your loved ones a safe and happy festive season and fabulous summer.

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My highlights from the past year

Public housing and health

Seeing the community support for the campaign to save public housing and health services in Yarra.

Safer streets

New raised (wombat) pedestrian crossings have been installed to make our streets safer and better places for people to walk.

Greener infrastructure

The introduction of permeable pavement in the central median parking bays on McIlwraith Street in Princes Hill helps to reduce stormwater runoff and pollutants entering our waterways.



Shop and celebrate locally this festive season and support your community

This Christmas and holiday season, spend your money where it counts — right here in Yarra! Shopping locally helps support small businesses, keeps people in jobs and strengthens Yarra's vibrant economy.

With over 18,500 businesses in Yarra, including 1,500 retail stores and 900 hospitality spots, there's something for everyone. Yarra's 12 precincts each have their own unique character.

Curtain Ward is home to charming Rathdowne Village, where tree-lined streets, quaint cafés and a neighbourhood feel create a welcoming local vibe. Nearby Nicholson Village adds to the appeal with its mix of family-run shops and



services that reflect a strong sense of community, and Lygon Street is home to a range of fabulous businesses.

Plus, every local purchase helps keep money within our community and supports the businesses that help Yarra thrive. Learn more by searching 'Retail and Service Precincts' at yarracity.vic.gov.au

Enjoy your local parks

With the warmer weather kicking in, it's the perfect time to head out for a picnic, a walk or a play and spend time in Yarra's fantastic parks. We have more than 60 open spaces across the City for you, your family and (in some spots) your four-legged friends to enjoy.

Some of the great local parks you can visit in **Curtain Ward** include Curtain Square, Hardy Gallagher Reserve and other parts of the Linear Parklands, with Edi Gardens just across the road on Brunswick Street.

Please do your bit by being respectful of our outdoor spaces, nearby residents, and other park visitors:

- Don't litter, avoid glass, and pick up after your pets.
- Amplified music is not allowed unless you have a permit.
- Check whether you are visiting a dog-off-leash area. If not, please keep your furry friend on a lead!
- Don't peg down marquees, use weights instead.

Find your nearest park or playground on the 'Parks, Reserves and Playgrounds' page at yarracity.vic.gov.au

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Amess Street major works in progress

Council is investing \$700,000 in improvements to Amess Street in Carlton North. It is one of the major capital works projects in Curtain Ward as part of our 2025/26 budget.

Works began in early August on a suite of works along the street including:

- kerb and channel improvements
- minor drainage extensions and upgrading of pits
- new footpaths
- renewing the road pavement
- improvements to street tree squares
- line marking and tie-in works

Contractors have been carrying out the works along the length of the street, which runs from Park Street and Pigdon Street. The 12-week project is expected to be completed by the start of November depending on weather conditions.



Drainage upgrades in Princes Hill and Carlton North

In early September we completed drainage works in two suburbs within Curtain Ward. The first project occurred on Gatton Street in Princes Hill, with the works completed at the roundabouts at Pigdon Street and Bowen Crescent. The second project was on the southern side of Curtain Street in Carlton North, between Rathdowne Street and Canning Street. Both projects involved cleaning pipes, relining brick drains and associated civil works.



New green centre median strips in Richardson Street, Carlton North

As part of the street tree planting program, we created a new centre road street garden along Richardson Street in Carlton North. The new garden bed features native spotted gum trees and underplanting, and has added 42 square metres of new green space to the road.



Diverting hard rubbish from landfill

Every month, Council workers action more than 1,000 hard rubbish bookings across the municipality. In the past calendar year, our hard rubbish crew removed 2,400 tonnes of hard rubbish from booked collections.

Hard rubbish collected by our crew is transported to the Clifton Hill Depot, where recyclable items such as metal, mattresses, and white goods are separated for processing by our external recycling partners. Over the past year, about 30% of hard rubbish was diverted from landfill.



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