

HODDLE WARD (COLLINGWOOD) UPDATE

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Shop local this summer

Refreshing
Collingwood's streets

Tonnes of hard
rubbish diverted
from landfill



HODDLE WARD UPDATE | Collingwood

It's been a busy few months across Collingwood, with consultations on building a safer Wellington Street, as well as two potential new parks! We'll hear the results of those consultations soon, so keep your eyes on council channels for updates.

With summer on the way, it's the perfect time to explore our local precincts. From music, arts and foodie finds on Johnston Street to Smith Street's vibrant shops, bars and bakeries, we're spoiled for choice here in Collingwood! Every local purchase supports our community.

Wishing you a safe and happy summer – while Council's first meeting of 2026 is a while away, as always, feel free to reach out via email or socials anytime!

Cr Sophie Wade | Hoddle Ward

My highlights from the past year

Community advocacy

Seeing the community support for the campaign to save our public housing and health facilities.

Safer streets and new parks

Having constructive conversations with Collingwood residents about how to make our streets safer and about our two proposed parks.

Connecting with residents

Apartment residents and owners inviting me into their buildings to discuss their issues.



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.

Collingwood buzzes with creative energy, especially along Smith Street and Johnston Street. Smith Street is the go-to for eclectic shopping, bakeries and LGBTIQ+ venues and bars, while Johnston Street is packed with bars, restaurants and live music venues.



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

Explore 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.

Our local parks in **Collingwood** include Cambridge Street Reserve, McNamara Reserve and Otter Street Park. And of course, we also have the fabulous Edinburgh Gardens nearby!

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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More open space in Collingwood

Council has bought a 290m² parcel of land on Wellington Street in Collingwood, where we will create an open space for the suburb. The currently vacant block on the corner of Wellington and Mater Street was purchased for \$1.5m from The Salvation Army.

Council will soon undertake community engagement on the plans for the site.



Works to the intersection at Wellington and Johnston Street, Collingwood

We have upgraded the intersection at Wellington and Johnston Streets in Collingwood, including:

- Works to the bluestone channel
- Pavement profiling and resurfacing
- Removal of rubber bike lane separators and construction of concrete bike lane separators
- Installation of dashed bike lanes through Johnston Street intersection
- Traffic and bike detector loops installation
- Associated line marking, signs installation and footpath reinstatement works.



Works completed on McCutcheon Way, Collingwood

We've recently completed upgrades to McCutcheon Way, outside Collingwood College, renewing the footpaths, kerbs and drainage along the street. The works were timed during the school holiday period, and now everyone can enjoy a better experience accessing the school and its sports stadium.



Diverting hard rubbish from landfill

Every month, Council workers action more than 1,000 hard rubbish bookings across Yarra. In the past calendar year, our hard rubbish crew removed 2,400 tonnes of hard rubbish through 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 percent of hard rubbish was diverted from landfill.



Street furniture renewal

The timber seats located at the corner of Webb and Smith Streets in Collingwood recently received some much-needed love. The timber was sanded back and oiled to restore its appearance and durability. Additionally, a missing stainless steel backrest was replaced to ensure the seating remains functional and comfortable. We also took the opportunity to install permeable paving around the adjacent trees. This will get more water to the trees, reduce water runoff, and allows more space around the seating area.



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