

CURTAIN WARD UPDATE

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Celebrating Queer Lives

Mass planting
across Yarra

Drainage upgrades
in Budget

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Carlton North, Princes Hill and part of Fitzroy North

Council's 2026/27 Budget was recently passed, and I'm pleased to say there are a number of important projects I sought that will deliver real benefit to both the Curtain Ward community and broader Yarra community. Some Curtain Ward highlights can be found below and over the page.


I was delighted to attend the launch of Council's 'Queer Lives Here' campaign on International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia, Intersexphobia, and Transphobia (IDAHOBIT) with my family, alongside local business owners, community members, and advocates committed to making our neighbourhoods safer and more welcoming to our LGBTIQ+ community. As part of the campaign, businesses around Fitzroy and Collingwood are displaying 'Queer Lives Here' stickers signalling that their premises are places where everyone is welcome and respected. Further info about the campaign can be found on the back page of this wrap.

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Curtain Ward projects funded from the 2026/27 Budget

 **Linear Park Masterplan design work \$825,000**


Design work will begin on the playground and basketball court in the Park Street Reserve as part of the Linear Park Masterplan. This is a project supported by a grant from the Federal Government.

 **Design upgrade for Curtain Street \$75,000**

Design work will be undertaken for Curtain Street, Carlton North, including provision of water sensitive urban design, more greenery and street trees, and a range of other improvements.

 **Traffic calming on Davis Street Carlton North \$60,000**

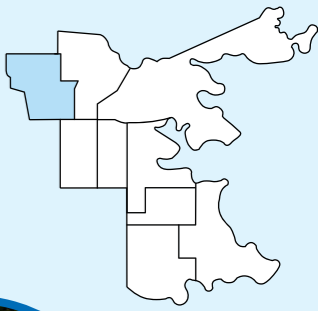
Council will construct two speed humps on Davis Street, Carlton North to improve the safety of the street, deter rat running, and deliver one of the actions of Local Area Place Making plan.

 **Reid Street drainage works \$180,000**

Drainage works will be happening on Reid Street, Fitzroy North, between Brunswick Street North and St Georges Road.

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Major local projects funded from the 2026/27 Budget



Bike repair station at North Carlton Railway Neighborhood House

A bike repair station will be installed at North Carlton Railway Neighborhood House.



Road safety study for Rathdowne Street, Carlton North

A Road safety study will be undertaken for Rathdowne Street, Carlton North, which will help inform safety upgrades and other improvements to Rathdowne Street in future.



Safer outcomes around Princes Hill Primary School \$200,000

As part of Council's New Deal for Schools (Ride to School) program, Council will be working on the design of pop-up and permanent infrastructure around Princes Hill Primary School.



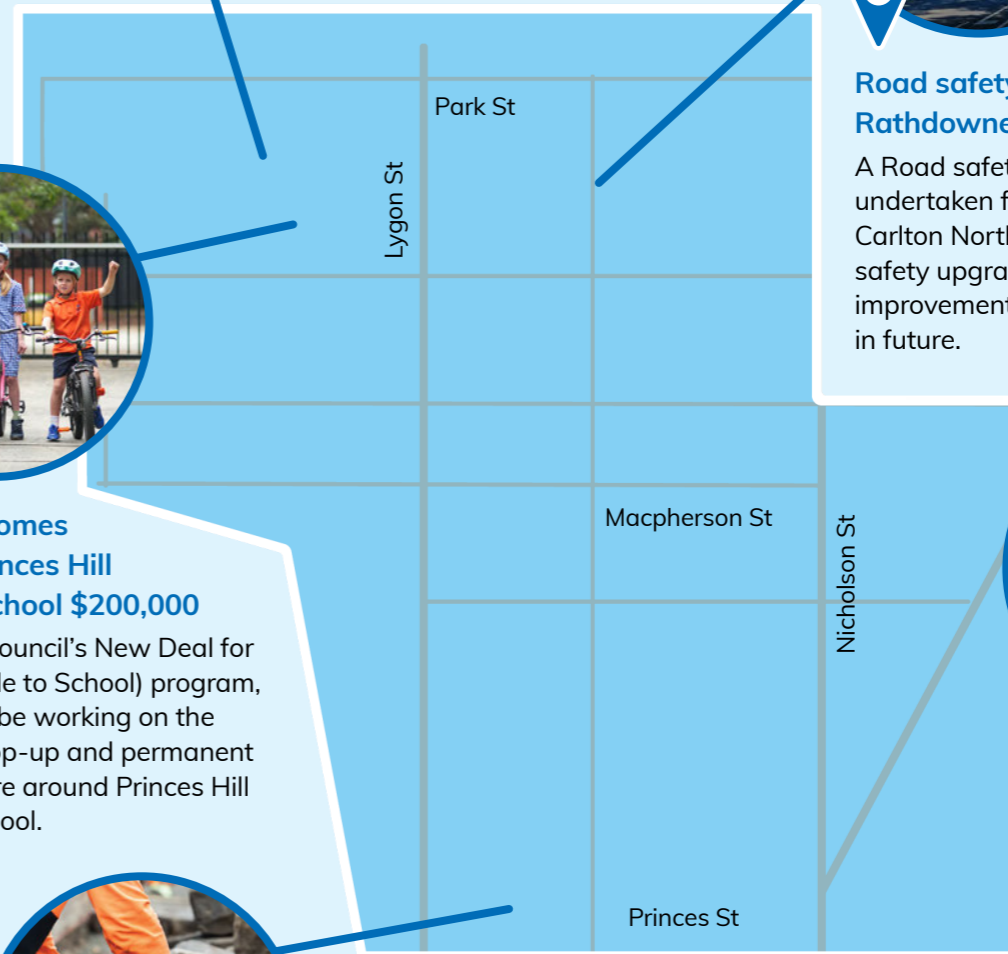
More trees and plants across Yarra \$1.2 million

Council will be planting new street and park trees to increase canopy cover, along with other plantings across the municipality.



Curtain Street drainage works \$220,000

Council is investing in drainage on Curtain Street, Carlton North between Rathdowne and Canning Streets.



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Projects we are delivering now:

Footpath and road upgrades in Carlton North

A green bicycle lane line marking and tactile indicators have been added to the corner of O'Grady Street and Canning Street. The area also had an upgrade to the footpath, road and drainage.

Greening Yarra

In the past few months, Council has planted 2,000 shrubs and plants across Yarra. Planting ranged from small infill areas to full garden beds. Edinburgh Gardens is now home to 550 extra plants.

Trial of pole-mounted EV chargers

As part of our commitment to help our residents access sustainable transport solutions, we are trialling 26 pole-mounted electric vehicle (EV) chargers across Yarra, with three in Curtain Ward.

Curtain Ward locations are:

- 19 Church St, Fitzroy North
- 74 Paterson St, Princess Hill (opposite)
- Canning Street / Curtain Square
- Opposite Lady Gowrie Child Care

For more information go to yarracity.vic.gov.au/pole-charger-trial



Supporting visibility, safety and inclusion

Yarra recently launched 'Queer Lives Here', Rainbow Yarra's new local visibility campaign supporting safety, inclusion and belonging for LGBTIQ+ people across Fitzroy and Collingwood.

Through bold but simple messaging and everyday visibility, the campaign aims to reinforce Fitzroy and Collingwood as proud, welcoming and rainbow-positive places for the whole community.

Local businesses are invited to take part by displaying a window decal featuring a QR code linking people to support services, reporting pathways and community resources.

Businesses interested in joining the campaign can get in touch with Yarra City Council's LGBTIQ+ Community Development Officer at info@yarracity.vic.gov.au or on 9205 5555.



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