

CURTAIN WARD UPDATE

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Carlton North, Princes Hill
and part of Fitzroy North

It's been a vibrant few months across Curtain Ward, with community events, local stories and important projects continuing to shape our neighbourhoods. I'm delighted that the Nicholson Village Trick or Treat Trail will return this year. Last year's trail brought the entire community together, and I'm looking forward to seeing the village come alive again this Halloween with witches, ghosts and lots of spooky fun.

As many of you may be aware, the fabulous Dr Tim Read, our former member for Brunswick, passed away in September after a short health battle. I was honoured to join many others for his final speech in Parliament and would like to acknowledge his extraordinary contribution to our community. I'll be forever grateful for Tim's tireless work, commitment, care, and friendship he has shown so many of us. Your legacy will live on - thank you Tim for everything.



We're making progress on safer streets too. Council recently endorsed the Safer Streets for Schools initiative in Princes Hill. There will be an installation starting this month to improve safety outcomes for people walking, rolling, and riding around Princes Hill Primary School.

We've also rolled out three new pole-mounted EV chargers in Princes Hill, Carlton North and Fitzroy North as part of a two-year trial across Yarra.

Council has been busy planting new street trees around the municipality. These trees will play an important role in increasing Yarra's canopy cover and making our streets nicer, cooler places.

There's plenty happening across Curtain Ward, and I'm proud of the energy, care and community spirit that continue to define our neighbourhoods.

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Safer Streets for Schools



From the start of Term 4, changes will be introduced around Princes Hill Primary School to create safer, more welcoming streets for children, families and the wider community to walk, ride, and roll.

Council resolved to proceed with a pilot project and further community engagement as part of the process.

As part of the changes a small section of Park Street east of Wilson Street will close to car traffic, while people walking and riding will still be able to travel through; Wilson Street will become one-way for cars, northbound between Pigdon Street and Park Street; and Solly Avenue will become one-way for cars, westbound between Wilson Street and Holtom Street West.

This will also change where you can park in the area.



More detailed information about the project is available on the **Your Say Yarra** project page.

Nicholson Village Trick or Treat Trail returns in 2026

Family-friendly Halloween fun is returning to Nicholson Village! Over 3,200 people took part last year, including 35 traders along the strip. This year, we again invite families to explore Nicholson Street, collect treats from participating businesses, and enjoy a festive evening in the village. Keep an eye out for event details closer to Halloween!



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Pole-mounted EV chargers

We've rolled out pole-mounted EV chargers as part of a two-year trial at 26 locations across the municipality, with more to come. This will make it easier for people (without off-street parking) to charge their EVs at home.

In Curtain Ward we now have three:

- Princes Hill - opposite 74 Paterson Street
- Carlton North - Canning Street near Curtain Square
- Fitzroy North - 19 Church Street



Rathdowne Street Safety Study

The Rathdowne Street Safety Study is being undertaken following several accidents and near misses and feedback from community members about perceived road-safety issues within the study area. The study will help Council better understand these concerns, identify underlying road-safety issues, and assess how the road network can better support safe movements for all road users. The assessment is planned to take place through October and November, allowing for a full period of observation and analysis.



Station Street footpath works

Council has recently completed a series of upgrades along Station Street, Carlton North, giving this well-used local street a fresher, safer feel. The project delivered reconstructed asphalt footpaths and vehicle crossings where they were most needed, a new bike-hoop area to support everyday riding, and clearer parking bays and line marking to improve movement. Works commenced in September and were completed over a four-week period, strengthening accessibility between Lee Street and Princes Street and creating a smoother, more reliable walking environment for the community.



Carlton Farmers Market

The Carlton Farmers Market brings fresh produce and local flavour to Carlton North every Saturday. Held at Carlton North Primary School, it's a friendly spot to pick up seasonal fruit and veg, fresh bread, pastries, flowers and small batch goods directly from Victorian growers and makers. With coffee, music and a relaxed weekend atmosphere, it's become a much-loved meeting place for neighbours, families and anyone who enjoys shopping local.

