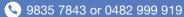
Junction Ward

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Summer in the Park will bring locals together in our beautiful parks and gardens.



A message from your Councillor

It's a busy time, again, as we always seem to find in the last months of the year. Spring merging into summer has seen Boroondara's parks and gardens bloom and flourish magnificently, and I hope you've had a chance to check out our Summer in the Park program set for early-2023. It gets bigger and better every year.

While there are a multitude of good causes raising awareness every month, for me there were 2 stand-outs in October – the Victorian Seniors Festival and National Mental Health Month. Boroondara conducts a wide range of activities in both these areas, and many other sectors, to facilitate connectedness, fitness, friendships, learning and just good fun. One of the joys of being a Councillor is meeting so many people engaged in these activities, experiencing the benefits both as individuals and collectively.

We had a fabulous morning of Kylie Minogue celebration at the Camberwell Sunday Market on 23 October, featuring some of the best Kylie impersonators around, with lots of music, colour and vibrancy. It will be great to see the developments completed within the Fresh Food Market being used and enjoyed by new and existing tenants and customers.

Thank you to the Camberwell Traders Association for asking myself and Boroondara's Director of Urban Living Scott Walker to speak about the Junction Structure and Place Plan. Thanks also to everyone who has responded with feedback confirming the priorities are on track. This project is setting up the precinct for now and into the future, so we want to get it right. The next steps are to begin developing specific projects, which is the really exciting part. I encourage you to stay up to date with the project at: engage.boroondara.vic.gov.au/ camberwell-placemaking

I wish you, your families, friends and neighbours a safe, joyful Christmas and I look forward to seeing you around the Camberwell Junction area.

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A vision and pop-up spaces for Camberwell

We've revealed the vision and key priorities for Camberwell Junction and gathered community feedback – we thank you for your input. Now we're looking at the next stage: drafting the Structure and Place Plan. This will identify areas for improvement and change. You can look forward to reading the draft around April or May next year, as we aim to finalise it in 2023.

As this plan advances, we'll engage the local community with small-scale projects to energise the precinct. We'll identify sites with potential, but which are under-utilised. Then, we'll ask for your input on how we've addressed the challenges and opportunities unique to each location. This is what's happening with 2 new pop-up spaces, near Camberwell Primary School and Camberwell Station.

You can read about the Camberwell Junction placemaking initiatives on Engage Boroondara and follow the pages to receive updates: engage.boroondara.vic.gov.au/camberwell-placemaking

Why have we turned to placemaking? Camberwell Junction is a major activity centre, and it's experiencing change. To safeguard the things you treasure and make plans for the community of the future, we look to embrace placemaking and strategic planning. This approach relies on community feedback coupled with Council's strategic planning to guide the future of this precinct.



Shop locally for fresh ingredients at the Camberwell Fresh Food Market this Christmas.



Changes are afoot at your Camberwell Fresh Food Market

We have enjoyed witnessing the developments over the past few months as the Camberwell Fresh Food Market upgrades have begun to take shape.

The new dining areas, both inside and outside, are bound to quickly become a popular addition for everyone to enjoy once they are finished in early December.

Located close to the market's northern entrance, which faces onto the car park, these new seating areas will give market visitors a place to relax between shopping and exploring. The indoor dining area will also have mobile device charge pods so you can charge your phone while catching up with friends and family.

Camberwell Fresh Food Market will be entering an exciting new chapter in 2023. We are looking forward to welcoming new tenants to the market to complement the existing offering of our popular long-standing traders. Due to the current construction climate, we have experienced delays with final planned works, including toilet upgrades, which will be completed in April 2023.

With dining areas to enjoy and new market stalls to explore, we also expect to be welcoming many new visitors to the market and Camberwell precinct.

The market is bustling at this time of year in the lead-up to Christmas, as shoppers stock up on fresh ingredients to prepare festive feasts and baked treats and support our local traders.

Visit the market upgrades page on Engage Boroondara to keep updated about the project: engage.boroondara. vic.gov.au/cffm

Spinning around at Camberwell Sunday Market

We should be so lucky ... to have celebrated Kylie Appreciation Day at Camberwell Rotary Sunday Market in October.

With Kylie Minogue's recent return to Australia, this event celebrated the homecoming of a Camberwell cultural icon on the 25-year anniversary of her album *Impossible Princess*.

Camberwell Rotary Sunday Market spokesperson Kevin Walsh said the celebration of Kylie was also a celebration of the market. Minogue fans were encouraged to dress up in their favourite Kylie outfit as a tribute to the iconic singer. The event featured a morning of entertainment, with performances by Melbourne's best-known Kylie impersonators, including Millie Minogue.

Camberwell Junction Traders' Association manager Kerry Daly said of the event's inception: "Given Kylie is such a well-loved Australian icon and has a connection to the Camberwell area, we couldn't think of a better event to come together and celebrate," she said.

"We are thrilled to offer something positive, uplifting and inclusive for our local community to enjoy, especially after such a difficult time for our traders over the past 2 years."





Delivering on our Climate Action Plan

It's been a year since Boroondara's Climate Action Plan was adopted by Council and launched to help deliver what's important to our community. Over the past year, we've implemented and achieved several actions with our community, to respond to environmental sustainability and tackle climate change together. These include:

- buying green electricity for Council's small sites, so that all Council electricity is now renewable
- holding a Sustainable Living Festival to engage with the community
- releasing the Boroondara Bicycle
 Strategy to set a framework for cycling
 infrastructure across our municipality
- running the Backyard Biodiversity
 Project, which supported residents in
 learning how to help local birds and
 wildlife journey safely through Hawthorn
 to local creeks and the Yarra River.

Also here in Junction ward, Council's plastic-free pilot program was run with 18 Camberwell-based businesses, supporting them in reducing and removing single-use plastic items. They achieved

some great outcomes and made changes to best suit their business needs, from eliminating plastic straws and cutlery, to trialling more sustainable alternatives, and encouraging customers to bring in their reuseable cups, containers and bottles.

Council also launched the Solar Savers program earlier this year for homes and businesses, and due to its success has extended it into 2023. The local-government program gives community members advice about solar power, and supports them in getting affordable, quality rooftop solar. This can help cut energy bills, reduce environmental impact, and give peace of mind against future power price rises. For anyone living within a Heritage Overlay, Council is able to help you find the balance between the relevant regulations and installation.

Many more actions are coming up over the next year, including the development of a Circular Economy Strategy and an Urban Greening Strategy.

For more information, visit:



www.boroondara.vic.gov.au/CAP

Master your hard waste collection

Residents who have their kerbside bins collected by us are eligible for 2 hard waste collections per year.

Items such as whitegoods (like fridges), e-waste (excluding batteries and light bulbs) and mattresses are recycled. Other items like couches, other furniture and bric-a-brac end up in landfill.

To avoid this, before you book your next hard waste service, consider if some of your items could be donated to charity, sold online, or given away. You could hold a garage sale or host a clothing swap, turning your trash into someone else's treasure.

Follow these steps when using our hard waste service:

- 1. Book your hard waste collection online.
- Sort your waste into separate piles, including general hard waste, mattresses, e-waste and larger items. These piles may be collected on the same day by different trucks.
- 3. Place your hard waste out no more than 2 days before collection date.
- 4. Make sure your waste doesn't exceed more than 2 cubic metres.

For more information, visit: www. boroondara.vic.gov.au/hard-waste

