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Welcome to Inside Moreland

A message from your Mayor

Hello and welcome to the latest edition of Inside Moreland.

As we continue to face ongoing Covid-related hardships, we are committed to the recovery of our community and local businesses. Please follow the latest health advice and stay up to date with vaccination opportunities at coronavirus.vic.gov.au/vaccine.

It's also important to acknowledge the countless individuals who continue to step up, helping our community stay strong throughout the pandemic. Do you know one of these outstanding individuals? Nominations for individuals and groups for the 2021 Moreland Awards are currently open but closing soon, on Friday 10 September. Learn about some of last year's winners on page 3.

You can also read more on page 4 in this issue about the enormous generosity of a local Brunswick couple who donated the proceeds of their house sale to the local community through a gift in their will.

The Inner North Community Foundation will be investing



the money to help not-for-profits such as The Social Studio and CERES Community Environment Park.

Early last year, the Victorian Government announced that all council waste services will transition to a 4-bin service to reduce waste to landfill. You can now have your say on the proposed service. Flip over to the back page to find out how you can have your say.

Additionally, we share some projects and upgrades underway. There's a lot happening in our municipality as we continue to recover from many of the challenges posed by the pandemic.

Enjoy our latest edition.

Cr Annalivia Carli Hannan

Stay up to date on COVID-19

Go to coronavirus.vic.gov.au/vaccine for the most up-to-date information about COVID-19 vaccinations. You can also find out more about any restrictions and testing locations.

Information in your language is available at coronavirus.vic.gov.au/translations



Stephen Northey, founder of the community group Friends of Edgar's Creek and Moreland Award winner.

Nominate for the 2021 Moreland Awards

Do you know an outstanding local group or person who has made Moreland a better place to live, work or play in?

Recognise their hard work over the last 12 months by nominating them for a Moreland Award. From awards celebrating reconciliation in Moreland to awards for achievement in sports and art, there are 10 award categories to choose from.

Last year Stephen Northey, along with Ann and Bruce McGregor, were named joint winners of the sustainability award. Each has played a big part in making sure our waterways stay healthy and protected.

Stephen Northey founded the community group Friends of Edgar's Creek. The group is dedicated to making sure Edgar's Creek, and its surrounding bushland, stays healthy both now and into the future for generations to enjoy.


Equally passionate about waterways, Ann and Bruce McGregor are founding members of the Friends of Merri Creek Group. The volunteer community group has helped restore the struggling Merri Creek.

After moving to Moreland in 1976, Ann remembers that Merri Creek was "crying out to be restored, not only for people, but also for native birds and animals."

She says winning a Moreland Award has brought attention to the work that goes into caring for our local waterways.

Covid-19 has made the past year particularly tough. Let's recognise those who've stepped up to make sure Moreland continues to be a welcoming, healthy, accessible and safe place for everyone.

Moreland Award nominations close on Friday 10 September 2021.

 **For information on the awards and to make a submission see moreland.vic.gov.au/morelandawardsopen**

A local couple's legacy of kindness

After 35 years calling Rose Street in Brunswick home, a local couple have left their house to their community through a gift in their will to local charity, the Inner North Community Foundation.

Dr Christopher Baker and Kerri Hall were passionate about creating fairer communities, especially in Melbourne's inner north.

Dr Baker, who died last year, was a lecturer at Swinburne University. Ms Hall, who died in 2017, was a librarian at the State Library of Victoria.

Christopher was passionate about the contribution of private wealth for public good, and he hoped his and Kerri's gift would inspire others.

Reflecting on his own life and his view that wealth should be shared, Christopher said,

"The biggest gifts that my mother and father gave me were my values and my education. It's those things that enable me to live my life in a way that I can feel comfortable about. It's not money, it is values."

The couple's 3-bedroom Brunswick property – with timber floors and fruit trees in the yard – was auctioned in May 2021. The local community banded together with real estate agent Jellis Craig Inner North and other local businesses donating their services to raise more funds.



Dr Christopher Baker and Kerri Hall gifted their home in Rose Street, Brunswick, to the local community.

The Inner North Community Foundation is a safe pair of hands for the resulting community money.

The foundation will invest the principal, with interest made on the money providing annual grants of over \$100,000 to local charities.

Ben Rodgers, Executive Officer at the Inner North Community Foundation says sometimes the biggest gift someone makes is the one they never get to see.


"100 years from now, the gift from Christopher and Kerri's generosity will continue to help local charities and change people's lives."

As well as beginning this new and longlasting charity stream, Christopher and Kerri also left gifts for environmental educational group CERES and other charitable causes linked to the Inner North Community Foundation.

Cinnamon Evans, CEO of CERES says, "For 40 years CERES has been helping people fall in love with the earth. And with the help of people like Christopher and Kerri giving to the CERES Fund, we will continue to make sure our community is healthy for the next 40 years."

"People in the north care about their community," Ben Rodgers adds. "Anyone can give in this way."

"Over 40% of people give every year to charity, but only 7% leave a gift in their will. Even a small gift in your will can have lasting impact for the place that you call home."

 **To learn more about the Inner North Community Foundation, or to find out how your local charities are coming together to create future funds for the community see innernorthfoundation.org.au**

“Win, win”: the many benefits of volunteering

Volunteering helps you share skills, stay social and help others. We're shining a light on 2 local volunteers helping out at Glenroy Neighbourhood Learning Centre.

Peter Carmichael

Peter started volunteering after spotting an ad for English tutors in the local news. “I needed a career change and thought it would be interesting,” he says.

“Glenroy Neighbourhood Learning Centre is a really fulfilling place to be,” Peter adds. “You get to work with people who are struggling to adapt to a new culture and language – Australians who haven’t had the same opportunities as you – then watch as they develop new skills and confidence.”

“I enjoy being patient and remembering why you are there. It’s not about you, it’s about someone else.”

Jane Odgers


Working at Glenroy Neighbourhood Learning Centre has been Jane’s favourite volunteer job over the years.

“Volunteering is win, win really,” she says. “It’s beneficial for both the volunteer and for those who experience the results of your volunteering. It is so personally satisfying to be able to help others in need.”

“I love it. It’s so rewarding seeing ex-students who spoke very little English become volunteers, get jobs, be able to give presentations and make speeches. Especially in such a short period of time.”



Volunteers Peter Carmichael and Jane Odgers.

 **To find out about your local Neighbourhood House, along with volunteering opportunities, see moreland.vic.gov.au/volunteernow or call 9240 1111.**


Local business goes from strength to strength

The manufacturing sector is a major contributor to Moreland’s economy. As one of our top 5 industry sectors, manufacturing includes 610 local businesses and generates 4,296 jobs.

The Royal Nut Company is a family-owned business that has been manufacturing in Brunswick since 1987. They recently relocated to a larger site which has allowed the business to grow. Royal Nut Company now employs 70 people with 45 staff at the Brunswick head office.

The local business’s products – from nuts to nut butters, legumes, dried fruit, spices and many more – are sought after by top restaurants, chefs, bakeries, supermarkets and health food stores across Australia and overseas.

Mireille, daughter of Prakash Mirchandani, owner of Royal Nut Company says: “Our father has been in the food industry for decades, so this location was extremely attractive to him and possessed great potential as well as a very special sense of community.”

 **Discover more local businesses, or add your Moreland business to our directory, at lovemoreland.com.au**

LOVE MORELAND, BUY LOCAL



Prakash Mirchandani, owner of Royal Nut Company, one of Moreland’s favourite manufacturers.

Imagine Moreland – what have we done and where are we now?

The Imagine Moreland project set out to create a Community Vision for the future of Moreland. A panel of community members met to talk about the needs of the Moreland community and write the Community Vision document.

Session 1: Meet



Our Community Panel met for the first time and learnt about the process of developing a Community Vision. The Community Vision document will guide the future planning and policy directions of Moreland Council for the next 10 financial years.

Session 2: Learn



The panel learned what the community wants to see based on the engagement we did earlier this year. They also learned about opportunities and challenges for the future of Moreland.

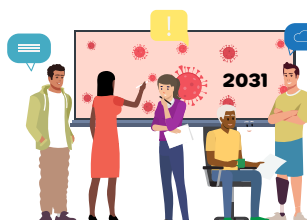


The panel thought about what the future of Moreland could look like in 2031. They started drafting a Community Vision document.

Session 3: Develop

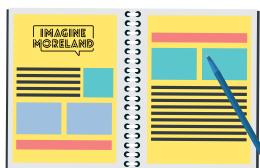


Guest speakers talked with the panel about key local issues such as pandemic recovery, health, climate, open space, planning and transport.



The group continued developing the Community Vision document. The panel discussed priorities for community recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic.

Session 4: Refine



The panel finalised the Community Vision document and made recommendations for the 4-year Council Plan.



The panel provided the Community Vision document to the Mayor and Councillors.

What's next?

The Community Vision has been finalised and will be available for public viewing and feedback from **Monday 30 August** until **Monday 20 September** with other Council documents. These will include the Council Plan (and Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan) and long-term Financial Plan. Learn more at conversations.moreland.vic.gov.au/whatsnextimagine.

Works in your area

North East Ward

Budds Street, Coburg

We are starting road reconstruction works in Budds Street, Coburg. Works will include new road pavement, vehicle crossings, kerb and channel replacement and drainage and pipe works. Current works will be completed in December 2021.



Muchell Grove, Coburg

We are upgrading Muchell Grove, Coburg. Works include road reconstruction, new pavement, vehicle crossings, kerb and channel works along with upgrades to drainage pits and pipes. Works will be completed in March 2022.



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North West Ward



Glenroy Community Hub, Glenroy

We have completed the building structure and enclosed the roof of our state-of-the-art hub. We are now working on the interior fit-outs. Landscape works around the building and at Bridget Shortell Reserve are also taking place. The project, showcasing world-leading sustainable design, is on track to be completed in early 2022.

O'Hea Street, Pascoe Vale

We are doing drainage works starting in Pascoe Vale, between Dale Avenue and Irvine Street. We will install new drainage pits and pipes. These works begin in September and will be completed by December 2021.



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South Ward

Clifton Park, Brunswick

We have improved the change rooms in the park's east pavilion, along with the referee's room and general amenities to make them more welcoming, female friendly and compliant. We have also made the additional pavilion a more welcoming space. Works were completed in June 2021.

260 Sydney Road, Brunswick

We have opened a new temporary urban park in Brunswick. The upgraded site includes a mural with linked artistic signage, new trees and planter boxes are coming soon.



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Find out about more current works-in-progress at moreland.vic.gov.au/currentprojects

We've spent a lot of time at home recently and many of us have large energy bills to show for it

Reduce your energy bills and stay comfortable by installing rooftop solar panels. Solar panels are an excellent way to make your own renewable electricity.

We've partnered with Solar Savers to make the solar panel installation process easier.

If you own your own home or are renting, Solar Savers will help guide you through the whole process by:

- Finding out if solar panels are suitable



Solar Savers can help you work out if solar panels are suitable for your home.

- Helping you with quotes
- Organising installation, and
- Checking if you can apply for any government rebates or assistance.

🔊 Get them before the summer sun. Contact Solar Savers now at solarsavers.org.au/register-moreland or by calling 1300 548 598.

Our bins will be changing

Πείτε τη γνώμη σας για τους κάδους των απορριμμάτων σας

Hãy đóng góp ý kiến về các thùng rác của quý vị

请对有关垃圾桶的制度发表您的意见

قل كلمتك بخصوص براميلك

Atık kutuları hakkında görüşlerinizi bildirin



GARBAGE

Fortnightly



RECYCLING

Fortnightly



**FOOD & GARDEN
ORGANICS**

Weekly



GLASS

Monthly



HARD WASTE

Booked

The Victorian Government announced that all local councils must move to a 4-bin service.

From late 2022, we will be making changes that impact how often we

collect your bins, their size and cost.

We are proposing a service that was chosen based on feedback from the Moreland community.

We heard about the needs of different households.

That's why we have options to tailor the service to meet your needs, like changing the size of your bin.

Our proposed service also helps reduce the amount of waste to landfill.



Will this work for Moreland? Tell us at: conversations.moreland.vic.gov.au/bins