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Cover: Angelo Indovino, part of the team behind Southbank's new communal garden

LORD MAYOR'S MESSAGE



Lord Mayor Sally Capp celebrates the return of the Lord Mayor's Commendations with Andrew White from Caffé E Torta

Winter has arrived in the City of Melbourne and I am looking forward to seeing the community come together at great events like our **Firelight Festival in Docklands, and Melbourne Fashion Week.**

I am also excited to see Council's biggest ever \$619 million draft Budget roll out in 2019-20, to help make our city more liveable and prosperous as it rapidly grows, and to create the brightest future for all Melburnians.

The draft Annual Plan and Budget includes a record \$453 million for programs and services and a fully-funded \$166 million capital works program, which will help us continue to create a city for people.

We will spend \$15 million on major projects, including getting on with the renewal of Queen Victoria Market, and \$28.2 million in capital works projects dedicated to walking, cycling and public transport.

Council will also make significant investments to build on the city's ongoing commitment to families, waste management, arts and culture, greening the city, supporting people who are experiencing homelessness, and taking action on climate change.

You can read more about the draft Budget in the special feature included in the centre of this edition of *Melbourne* magazine.

In other news, I recently travelled to Indonesia and China to promote Melbourne businesses and foster economic, trade and smart-city relationships.

During June, we'll publish a reflection on this trip in the online version of *Melbourne* magazine: magazine.melbourne.vic.gov.au

I'm also delighted to announce the return of the Lord Mayor's Commendations, which celebrate the long-term commitment of independent small business proprietors across our municipality. These will be announced on 27 June.

We have also added new categories to the Melbourne Awards to better reflect the ways that programs and organisations contribute to Melbourne as a thriving, forward-thinking capital city. Registrations close soon, and I look forward to honouring the winners at a ceremony later this year.

Read on through this edition of *Melbourne* magazine to meet some inspiring members of our community and find out more about our work to foster accessibility, wellbeing, creativity and sustainability across our municipality.

People provide the pulse for our city, so please don't hibernate during the winter months.

I encourage you all to wrap up warmly and get out to enjoy our great city this winter. And don't forget to share your adventures with #MelbMoment.

Lord Mayor Sally Capp

The City of Melbourne respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the land, the Boon Wurrung and Woiwurrung (Wurundjeri) peoples of the Kulin Nation and pays respect to their Elders, past and present. For the Kulin Nation, Melbourne has always been an important meeting place for events of social, educational, sporting and cultural significance. Today we are proud to say that Melbourne is a significant gathering place for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



Our new *Accessing Melbourne* web content aims to make it easier for all people to explore and enjoy our city

ACCESSING MELBOURNE

People with accessibility needs can now more easily find practical support and information to help them explore and enjoy the City of Melbourne.

Our new *Accessing Melbourne* web content brings together key information on accessible amenities and cultural venues, accessible transport and parking, mobility maps with street gradients, and other services.

It also includes information on our carers' support groups, the NDIS, how to get involved in council activities, checklists to help people make their businesses more accessible, and more.

Colleen Furlanetto is Disability / Accessibility Commissioner for Commercial Passenger Vehicles Victoria and Victorian Disability Advisory Council Chair. She welcomed our new web content as a valuable resource for residents and visitors.

'The project shows great leadership and the positive impacts will be welcomed by those of us needing access - indeed access to our human right to inclusion,' Colleen said.

'Unless you have experienced barriers yourself, you may not fully appreciate them. No matter how subtle, a barrier is a barrier. We need to have these discussions openly as a community.'

One in five Victorians has a disability, and at least 80 per cent of these disabilities are not visible to the eye, so access and inclusion initiatives involve far more than simply wider doorways and ramps.

As Melbourne grows, we are working hard to design a city that caters to everyone's accessibility needs, embracing technology and creative thinking to enable more people to participate fully in the life of the city.

'My disability doesn't define me, but I acknowledge it's a part of my life. I have a life to live, as do all of us with disability. And we all have differing needs. There's not a 'one size fits all' approach,' Colleen said.

'Planning for now and the future is essential. With the forward thinking at the City of Melbourne, we welcome and look forward to participating in, and building on some of the great work that's already underway.'

'The project shows great leadership and the positive impacts will be welcomed by those of us needing access - indeed access to our human right to inclusion.'

Councillor Beverley Pinder, Chair of the People City portfolio and our Disability Advisory Committee, said the City of Melbourne aims to be the most accessible and inclusive city in the world.

'As a City of Wellbeing, we're always working on initiatives to better support people with a disability to freely and genuinely determine their own direction in our city,' Cr Pinder said.

'An accessible and up-to-date website is a critical component of this work.

'I encourage residents, workers, visitors and tourists with accessibility needs to explore the information available on our new *Accessing Melbourne* webpages.'



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT
[melbourne.vic.gov.au/](http://melbourne.vic.gov.au/accessingmelbourne)
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Commissioner Colleen Furlanetto

YOUR SAY

LETTER OF THE MONTH

We just had our final visit with the maternal and child health nurse and I'd like to express my sincere thank you to the service for its wonderful care over the past four years. The nurses were an amazing and reassuring support during a very stressful time as a first-time parent. I feel particularly lucky to have had the same nurses caring for us through the past four years. It's wonderful to have that continuity. I feel lucky to live in the City of Melbourne. **Vicky**

Share your thoughts with us at melbournemag@melbourne.vic.gov.au



What will the new park on Market Street look like?

See the concept design for the new open space on Market Street, featuring a garden, lawns, terrace, new separated bicycle lanes and central plaza connection. Construction is expected to start later this year, and be completed in 2020. melbourne.vic.gov.au/cityprojects

 An initiative led by @auspost, @CollingwoodFC and @cityofmelbourne will see Melbourne's most vulnerable community members benefit from new personal mailboxes and storage facilities at The Salvation Army Melbourne Project 614. [@AUSPOST_NEWS](https://twitter.com/AUSPOST_NEWS)

 The Sustainable Australia Fund was originally established by the @cityofmelbourne in 2002. Since then, we've financed over \$30m in environmental upgrades for Victorian businesses, resulting in the abatement of over 300,000 tonnes of CO2 emissions. [@SUSTAUSFUND](https://twitter.com/SUSTAUSFUND)

 Great to see @cityofmelbourne considering 30km/h speed limit for the CBD to improve safety for people walking or biking. [@VICTORIAWALKS](https://twitter.com/VICTORIAWALKS)

 Many thanks for your wonderful support Lord Mayor. We're very appreciative of your commitment to creating an accessible city for everyone to enjoy. #guidedogscangoanywhere [@KARENHLHAYES](https://twitter.com/KARENHLHAYES)

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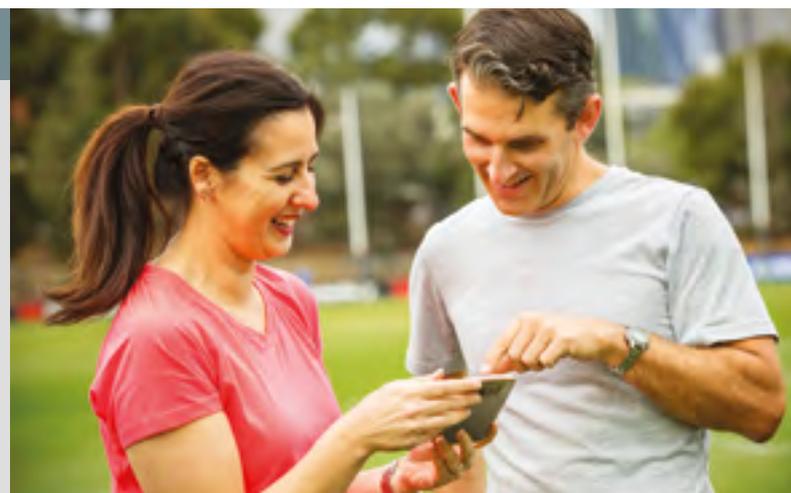
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PLANNING FOR 5G

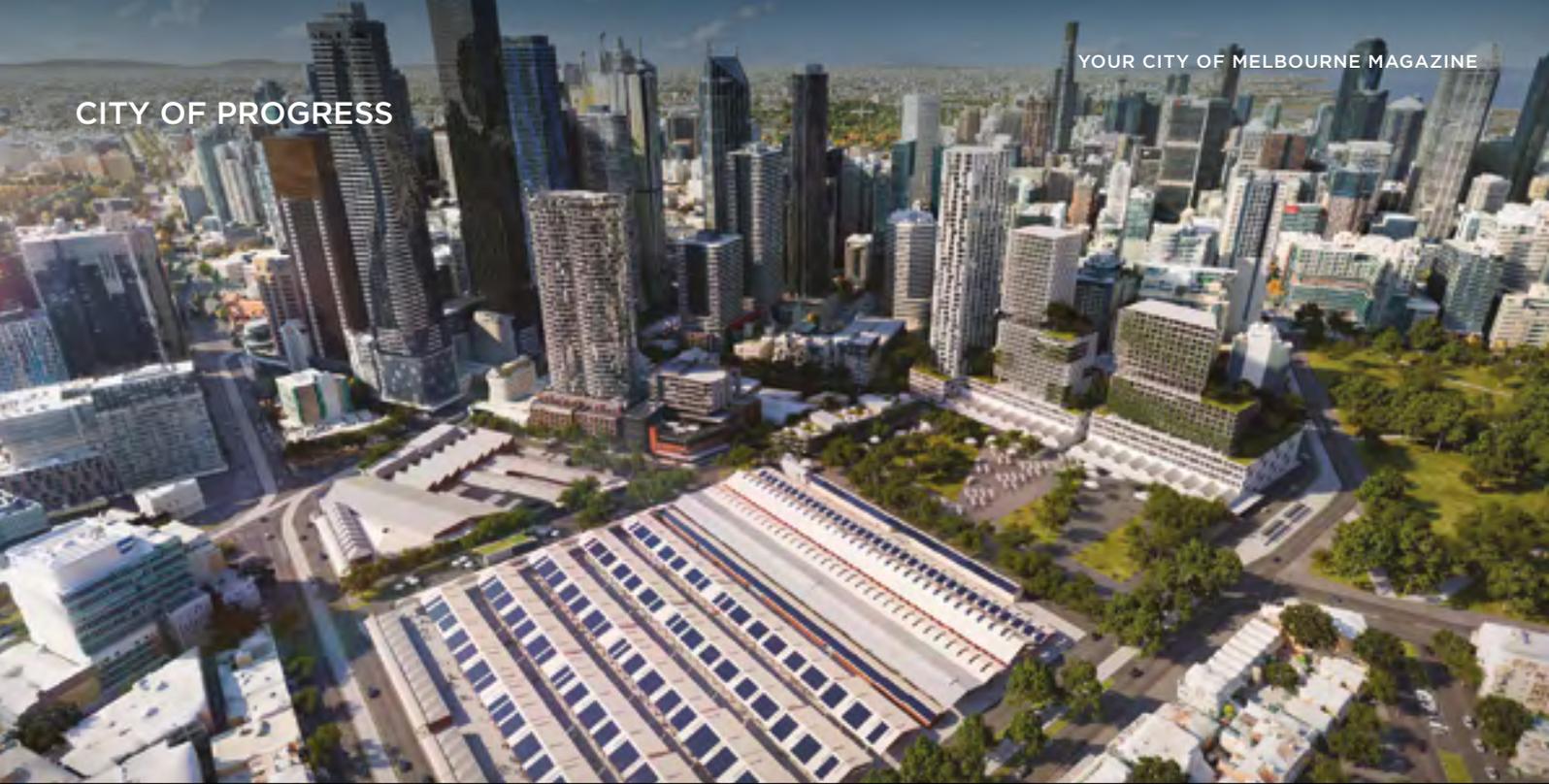
We're creating an optimal environment for urban innovation by coordinating a series of test beds to explore emerging technology including next-generation mobile networks like 5G.

With its increased data speed and security, 5G will help Melburnians harness emerging technologies in artificial intelligence, virtual reality, smart buildings, robotics and more.

melbourne.vic.gov.au/emergingtech



CITY OF PROGRESS



An artist's impression of the future Queen Victoria Market precinct, including the one-and-a-half-hectare Market Square

GETTING ON WITH MARKET RENEWAL

See Queen Victoria Market reinvigorated under a plan that minimises disruption, maximises trader and customer experience, and preserves its heritage, in line with trader and community feedback.

The new plan for market infrastructure is the latest step in the \$250 million market renewal program, which aims to deliver improved safety, more car parking, centralised waste and recycling facilities, and new storage and amenities to help traders thrive.

There will also be new pedestrianised spaces, more trees and seating, onsite restoration of the heritage sheds and a new one-and-a-half hectare public open space called Market Square.

Market Square will be the largest public space in the central city – bigger than Federation Square – and be an additional drawcard for visitors.

It will replace the existing asphalt car park, once new customer parking is delivered at the neighbouring Munro site and future southern development site on Franklin Street.

Lord Mayor Sally Capp said the 40-member People's Panel was instrumental in shaping the direction of the new plan, which is critical to address the market's challenges and deliver the renewal vision.

'We've worked with traders, shoppers, residents, the Victorian Government, Heritage Victoria and the wider community

to build a way forward that will allow us to create a thriving open-air market for generations to come,' the Lord Mayor said.

'Through renewal we are restoring the market you know and love, protecting its heritage and delivering modern facilities to make the market better for traders, customers and the community.'

Next time you visit the market, look out for:

- a new pedestrian-friendly plaza in Queen Street, featuring citrus trees, umbrellas and lots of seating
- a quintessentially Melbourne laneway shopping experience in String Bean Alley with local artists and makers
- the onsite restoration of the market's historic open-air sheds
- construction of the city's largest new community hub – featuring community

facilities and 500 car parks for market customers – opposite the market at the Munro site.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT
melbourne.vic.gov.au/qvmrenewal

ABOUT THE PEOPLE'S PANEL

The People's Panel was established to give traders, customers and the community a greater say on how best to deliver market infrastructure through the renewal program.

Visit us online to see our progress against the recommendations of the People's Panel Report, and regular updates on all our activities.



The new Queen Street Plaza will open in June

WISE WORDS FROM SILICON VALLEY

Melburnians gathered to taste the future of food, glimpse our future city in 3D, and health-check their digital lives at the 10th anniversary of Melbourne Knowledge Week in May.

The festival's keynote speaker Raina Kumra is CEO of Juggernaut, which finds ways to address the unintended consequences of technology.

At Melbourne Knowledge Week, Raina shared tips for how to lead a healthier digital life, and simple questions people should ask before they launch a piece of technology into the world, or bring it into their homes.

Raina's passion for technology and storytelling began at an early age, during her childhood in Silicon Valley.

'There were computer parts lying about the house and Dad would sometimes explain what each component did - when you're a kid with technology like that in the garage, you can't help but be curious,' Raina said.

'I remember getting one of the very first copies of Adobe Premiere, even before it was launched. It would take 30 minutes to do a single edit, but I was in awe. That's what led me to film school.'

Raina jokes that she resisted her parents' desire for her to be a filmmaker and a doctor, yet her career has been no less impressive. She even worked under the Obama Administration to advance innovation and new media.

During her journey, Raina has seen many big tech companies, and their major funders, fail to have foresight, take responsibility for problems they cause, and solve them before they turn into 'freight trains'.

Despite this, Raina is optimistic about the future, and believes creativity can be our superpower.

'The conversations I'm having today are very different from the ones I was having two years ago. Now companies understand the Spiderman motto: "with great power comes great responsibility".'

'Makers of technology must be more empathetic and compassionate when building things, and not just focus on money or fame. Better decisions will flow from that, and technology will become more inclusive.

'I hope I've left Melbourne with the message that the tech industry needs new imagination, and there is no reason that it can't be built better in Melbourne, or anywhere else in the world.'

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Councillor Dr Jackie Watts, Chair of the Knowledge City portfolio, said Melbourne Knowledge Week was a great opportunity for the community to be inspired by big thinkers from Australia and around the world.



Raina Kumra spoke at Melbourne Knowledge Week about how to lead a healthier digital life

'Technology is evolving and accelerating at an astounding pace, and successive generations of start-ups and innovative entrepreneurs are drawn to the thriving knowledge sector in the City of Melbourne,' Dr Watts said.

'Working together we facilitate collaborations and partnerships to create and commercialise the innovative ideas constantly emerging throughout the knowledge sector.

'Innovation and technological advances are set to continue apace. Hopefully the prosperity we all seek will flow from this.

'However, when we factor a reflective co-creative approach into the process then the benefit to our community will multiply and our lives will be enriched in ways we never imagined.'

Head to the Melbourne Knowledge Week website to watch a video of Raina's speech.



Melburnians glimpsed the possibilities of our future lives at the festival

 **FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT mkw.melbourne.vic.gov.au**

CONNECTING GRASSROOTS SERVICES

We're supporting grassroots charities in the homelessness sector to work together, and with us, to support our city's most vulnerable people.

There are a range of groups that want to provide meals, clothing, bedding, haircuts, showers, laundry facilities and other support to people experiencing homelessness in our municipality.

We aim to harness this goodwill by working closely with these groups to collaboratively improve homelessness service coordination, and to create new voluntary, best practice guidelines.

Through better coordination, we hope to achieve more even distribution of services across areas of need, promote city safety, and connect people to long-term support to help them find pathways out of homelessness.

Danusia Kaskia, Soup Van Operations Manager for the St Vincent de Paul Society, welcomed the initiative.

'Working collaboratively with the City of Melbourne to address the needs of people experiencing homelessness and sleeping rough is a step in the right direction towards further addressing the needs of our community,' Danusia said.

The Vinnies Soup Vans have operated nightly since 1975, rain, hail or shine. The vans are run by 1400 volunteers - affectionately known as 'Vannies' - who serve more than 200,000 meals each year across Victoria.

'The Soup Vans provide face-to-face contact with anyone seeking our service, without judgement or referral, in the evening when people often feel most vulnerable,' Danusia said.



The Vinnies Soup Vans operate every night of the year

'Our volunteers engage with people through offering a simple meal, building social connections and relationships with people, so that they can support them on their journey, with dignity and respect.'

Danusia's ultimate vision is to see the end of homelessness in our city.

'Everyone has the basic human right to a safe place to call home,' she said.

'I also hope that the community would embrace that homelessness is a social problem requiring everyone to be part of the solution, and for there to be a change in the attitude towards homelessness to reduce stigma.'

The St Vincent de Paul Society offers a range of rewarding opportunities for volunteers. To find out more, visit the Vinnies website or email soupvans@svdp-vic.org.au

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FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT
melbourne.vic.gov.au/homelessness



WELLBEING FOR SENIORS

Older Melburnians, you are invited to attend free workshops run by Seniors Rights Victoria to help you enjoy life as you age.

'Protecting Your Rights' raises awareness about elder abuse, risks, prevention and the support and assistance available.

'Planning Ahead' is a simple session about how to appoint an Enduring Power of Attorney who - if need be - can make decisions on your behalf.

Light refreshments will be provided at each workshop.

The sessions will be held at Kathleen Syme Library and Community Centre on 11 and 13 June, Library at The Dock on 17 July, and South Yarra Senior Citizens Centre on 9 August.



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT
melbourne.vic.gov.au/seniors

CITY OF PROGRESS

HAVE YOUR SAY ON CITY TRANSPORT



We're working to make it easier and safer for you to move around Melbourne

Help us make it easier, safer and more enjoyable for people to move around Melbourne as our city grows. Share your feedback on our draft transport strategy by 19 June.

By 2030, the number of people travelling to and within our city each day will grow from more than 900,000 today to more than 1.4 million.

As a City of Progress, we want to create a transport system that enhances city life for people and businesses.

Councillor Nicolas Frances Gilley MBE, Chair of the Transport portfolio, said the draft Transport Strategy 2030 will deliver a healthier, calmer and more spacious city for people to enjoy.

'I used to drive my car or ride my scooter into the city. Now I cycle most days. Just by doing that - and I don't go very fast - I can beat the traffic and the trams,' Cr Frances Gilley said.

'I'm fitter too, without spending money on a gym membership. Our plan for the city prioritises walking, cycling and public transport, and all these things are actually good for us.'

'Some people need to drive, but 43 per cent of vehicles entering the central city are simply travelling through, holding up hundreds of pedestrians waiting to cross the road.'

'This is not delivering productivity.'

Melburnians are walking and catching public transport in the city more than ever before, and the proportion of private car use continues to decline. Eighty nine per cent of trips within the central city are made on foot, yet footpaths make up only 26 per cent of street space.

The draft strategy sets clear directions for Melbourne to 2030 so our transport infrastructure and street design keeps pace with changing travel behaviours.

'Moving around more on foot has also made me realise what gets in the way, like people parking their scooters on the pavement. For people with prams and wheelchairs, it's a huge impediment,' Cr Frances Gilley said.

'We want to create more space for people to walk, cycle, and drink coffee with friends on the pavement, under more trees, in one of the most beautiful cities in the world. If we're not careful, we'll lose that quality.'

The draft transport strategy proposes that by 2030 we will:

- repurpose the equivalent of 20 Bourke Street malls worth of public road and on-street parking spaces to create more space for pedestrians, cyclists, greening, trading and other important uses
- reduce congestion for all users by encouraging through traffic to avoid the central city
- convert central city 'little streets' into pedestrian priority shared zones
- create more than 50km of protected on-road bicycle lanes on key routes in the heart of the city
- work with the Victorian Government to deliver world-class, welcoming and safe public spaces around central city stations
- provide 300 additional motorcycle parking spaces to declutter our footpaths
- maintain access for essential car trips, especially for people with a disability, trade, service and emergency vehicles.

Visit us online to provide feedback.



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT participate.melbourne.vic.gov.au/transportstrategy

YOUR STORIES

We spoke to some everyday Melburnians – all of whom use more than one mode of transport – about their transport experiences and ideas.

Holly from Northcote rides her bike to uni and into the city. She has to be hyper-aware when she is riding on unprotected bike lanes to avoid car dooring and merging cars. She supports the City of Melbourne introducing more protected bike lanes to make Melbourne a safer city for bike riding.

Tricia from Ringwood needs to drive into the city as she has a disability and sometimes uses the accessible trams. She supports the City of Melbourne reforming car parking to improve access for those who need it, and the Victorian Government providing more accessible tram stops.

Victoria from North Melbourne walks to her work in Docklands. She avoids the main streets and intersections as she finds them overcrowded, and instead enjoys discovering the laneways. She supports the City of Melbourne transforming 'little' streets for pedestrians to link the laneways.

Matthew from Altona commutes to Parkville by train and bus. He finds public transport quicker than driving, but thinks it is frustrating when the trains are overcrowded. He would like to see a public transport system that is more frequent and more reliable.

Lucy from Kensington rides her motorbike to work in East Melbourne and also catches the tram around the city. She would like to see more dedicated on-street motorbike parking as she finds these safer and less obstructive to pedestrians than parking on the footpath.

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Lucy rides her motorbike from Kensington



Holly from Northcote rides her bike



Matthew commutes via train and bus from Altona



Victoria walks to work from North Melbourne



Tricia from Ringwood drives into the city and sometimes uses accessible trams

GRANDPARENT INSPIRES START-UP SUCCESS

Make your bright idea a reality by applying to our small business grants program this winter.

Adam Jahnke, one of last year's recipients, turned to technology to help his grandpa live more safely after the older man had a fall while he wasn't wearing his personal alert pendant.

'We set out to build something new. Something that didn't rely on my grandpa to change the way he lived, and that could even predict incidents before they occurred,' Adam said.

'My grandpa was the first person to use our technology and we all call him Umps, so that's where the name Umps Health comes from.'

Umps Health uses smart plugs that fit between any appliance and the wall socket. The plugs detect actions including when you use the kettle, open the refrigerator, or turn your TV on and off.

The system learns unique patterns of behaviour and, if something happens that is out of the ordinary, raises the alert with a family member or care provider so they can send support.

We awarded Umps Health a small business grant to help the team open a new Experience Centre in the central city, which showcases how the system predicts declines in health and wellbeing.

'The Experience Centre is a replica bedroom, lounge room and kitchen with Umps Health's technology embedded,' Adam said.

'My grandpa was the first person to use our technology and we all call him Umps, so that's where the name Umps Health comes from.'

'As people walk through the centre and interact with it, the Umps Health Smart Home detects this in real-time and generates insights.

'We've had a lot of interest from the aged care sector and government, as well as older people and their families. It's really allowed us to showcase why Umps Health is different from the traditional solutions.'

Umps Health is available for purchase through the federal Home Care Packages Program and NDIS, and Adam believes Umps Health has the potential to support millions of people, and not just older Australians.

'We see the potential for Umps Health to also support younger people with disabilities, people transitioning out of hospital or people managing chronic health conditions.'



Cr Riley with Adam Jahnke and Patricia Sparrow, CEO of Aged and Community Services Australia, at the opening of the Umps Health Experience Centre

'To achieve our goals we'll need to work closely with all levels of government, private health insurers, service providers and the end users of our technology.'

Councillor Susan Riley, Chair of the Small Business, Retail and Hospitality Portfolio, said that with nearly 14,000 people over 60 living in our city, it is crucial to provide specialised solutions to make life easier and safer.

'Umps Health is a tremendous example of an innovation by a local start-up, that has the potential to greatly improve the quality of life for older people and their families,' Cr Riley said.

'Our small business grants program has been running since 1996. In this time we've awarded more than \$8.3 million in funding to almost 400 small businesses, to help them prosper and go global.'

APPLY NOW

Small business grant applications open on Monday 5 August and close on Monday 9 September.



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT melbourne.vic.gov.au/smallbusinessgrants



Umps Health helps people live more safely at home

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RECORD BUDGET BUILDS ON BRIGHT FUTURE FOR MELBOURNE

An artist's impression of the city's largest new community hub, which is under construction opposite Queen Victoria Market

The City of Melbourne has announced its biggest ever budget of \$619 million for 2019-20, to help make our city more liveable and prosperous as it rapidly grows.

The draft Budget includes a record \$453 million for programs and services, a fully-funded \$166 million capital works program, and an underlying surplus of \$15.03 million.

Among the major projects to be funded, the city will get on with the renewal of Queen Victoria Market, spending \$15 million in 2019-20, including \$6.5 million for the staged, onsite restoration of the historic sheds.

A further \$4.5 million has been assigned to create a master plan for the restoration of Melbourne Town Hall.

The draft Budget also includes significant investments to build on the city's ongoing commitment to families, arts and culture, greening the city and supporting people experiencing homelessness.

Here are 10 highlights of the draft Budget for 2019-20, which will help us continue to create a city for people.

Community facilities

Families will see \$9.3 million invested to complete the redevelopment of Lady Huntingfield Children's Centre and deliver more early education and childcare places to make sure kids get the best start in life.

Council will also spend \$1.8 million to progress the fit-out of the \$70 million Munro development at Queen and Therry streets.

A further \$1 million will go towards planning and design for the \$40 million renewal of Kensington Community Recreation Centre, and upgrade sporting pavilions, courts and equipment.

Open space

Council will invest more than \$29 million to create more places for people to exercise, play and relax in the city, including two and a half hectares of open space on Southbank Boulevard and a new park on Market Street.



Council is creating more early education and childcare places

Knowledge

Council will invest \$2.8 million for key knowledge sector events and services to bolster the growth and reputation of the jobs of the future.

This includes support for Melbourne Knowledge Week, and for the renewal of traditional and digital library collections across the City of Melbourne's six libraries.

Urban forest, water and climate change

Council will invest \$19.1 million in capital works to respond to the impact of climate change, manage parklands and urban forests, and conserve and recycle water.

This will include infrastructure upgrades across 480 hectares of parks and gardens, and funding to plant at least 3400 trees and care for the more than 80,000 trees the city manages.

Safety

The City of Melbourne will upgrade, maintain and install priority city safety and security measures across the central city with an investment of \$29 million.

This includes \$26.6 million in Victorian Government grants to undertake the Victorian Government's \$50 million central city security upgrade project and \$2.6 million for key city safety infrastructure.

Business

The City of Melbourne will continue to bring the community together with an investment of \$3.2 million in community events and festivals.

A further \$1 million will be spent on small business, retail and hospitality, to provide grants, sponsorship, night-time activations and events that boost the economy.

Transport

Melburnians will see \$28.2 million spent on capital works projects dedicated to walking, cycling and public transport as part of our 10-year plan to move commuters and pedestrians safely and more efficiently through the city.

This will include streetscape improvement works on the southern end of Elizabeth Street, where more than 9300 pedestrians use footpaths during the morning peak.

Homelessness

Council will invest \$1.9 million in homelessness services, including the Salvation Army's Night Time Safe Place cafe and the Melbourne City Mission's youth homelessness services on King Street.

The centre provides free all-day breakfast, shower facilities, toiletries, underwear and socks, and helps people access doctors, dentists, legal advice, computers, iPads and Centrelink support.

Waste

Council will continue its annual spend of \$24 million on waste and recycling services, and will spend \$900,000 to deliver the first year of its Waste and Resource Recovery Strategy.

Over the last financial year, the City of Melbourne collected 30,000 tonnes of residential waste and 11,000 tonnes of residential recycling, emptied 2000 bins each day and swept 312km of roads each week.

Major events and arts

Ratepayers can expect \$18.4 million invested in major events including New Year's Eve, Moomba Festival, Christmas, Melbourne Fashion Week and Melbourne Music Week.

A further \$16.3 million will be allocated to the recurrent Arts Melbourne program, which includes arts grants programs and programs for children and young people through ArtPlay and Signal.

Public submissions on the draft Annual Plan and Budget 2019-20 will be considered at a special meeting of the Future Melbourne Committee on Thursday 13 June.

To find out more, and see how we're performing against the Council Plan 2017-21, visit:

melbourne.vic.gov.au/budget



Melbourne Knowledge Week



An artist's impression of the new communal garden at Boyd Park



Part of our urban forest



A cyclist in the central city



Moomba, Australia's largest community festival



Artist's impression of the new park for Market Street

\$29 MILLION INVESTMENT IN PUBLIC OPEN SPACE

Public open space projects will receive a \$28.7 million boost over the coming year as part of the City of Melbourne's 2019-20 draft Budget.

The investment will focus on the creation and renewal of public open space to cater for Melbourne's growing population, including the densely populated suburbs of Southbank and Docklands.

The Council's goal is to add more than 12 MCGs-worth of public open space to the city over the next 15 years.

Southbank Promenade will receive a \$5.1 million investment to revitalise a 300 metre section of the shared walkway from Princes Bridge in the east, to Evan Walker Bridge in the west. This project will improve public open space on the riverside promenade with new paving, improved public lighting and enhanced growing conditions for the trees.

Southbank Boulevard will also receive attention with \$11.9 million to continue upgrade works from St Kilda Road to City Road. The new Southbank Boulevard cycle path will be complete by late 2019 and will provide a new route for commuter cyclists to access the city. The full \$47 million project, which will create 2.5 hectares of new public open space and neighbourhood

parklands on Southbank Boulevard, is due for completion in 2020.

This year, the City of Melbourne will also invest \$3.4 million towards a joint \$7.53 million project with CBUS to create a new 2000 square metre public open space for Market Street alongside the Collins Arch development.

This will be the first park created in the central city since the City Square was developed in the 1970s. The new park will provide open space in an area of Collins Street that is used by 40,000 pedestrians each day.

The draft Budget also revealed that Seafarers Rest Park, on the north bank of the Yarra in Docklands, will receive a \$1 million investment for renewal works, in partnership with the Victorian Government and developer Riverlee.

As backyards in the inner city are shrinking and more people are living in apartment blocks, Council's plan to expand open space will ensure that residents and workers are able to enjoy more open spaces for recreation, public gatherings and relaxation.

Residents continue to have the opportunity to provide feedback on the draft Budget until 7 June at participate.melbourne.vic.gov.au

BUSINESS, RETAIL AND EVENTS PROSPER

The Firelight Festival will once again light up Docklands thanks to a \$700,000 investment by the City of Melbourne.

This key event, which generated \$5 million for the local economy last year, continues to invigorate Docklands in the cold winter months.

As Melburnians know, Melbourne is Australia's events capital, with hundreds of events taking place across the city every year. These events, both big and small, add to the unique character of our city, offer enriching experiences and contribute significantly to our local economy. This is why the City of Melbourne has committed to investing in events around the City as part of Council's draft Annual Plan and Budget 2019-20.

Funding for other events, which have become significant to Melbourne's business community over the years, includes \$2.5 million for the Council's events partnership program and triennial sponsorship program.

These programs have sponsored more than 500 events over 10 years.

The draft Budget also includes expenditure on Melbourne's small business, retail and hospitality sector, including \$500,000 for the annual small business grants program and \$100,000 for the business event sponsorship program. Small business makes up 80 per cent of the municipality's businesses.

Council will also fund \$250,000 in marketing and promotion to support our much-loved independent retailers across the city.

To keep up to date with the latest events, or to find vibrant small businesses in your area, visit whatson.melbourne.vic.gov.au



Firelight Festival



YOUR COUNCIL

◀ Melbourne City Council (from left):

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CITY OF MELBOURNE

KIDS DREAM BIG AT ARTPLAY

Design your own super-suit, sculpt a dragon egg with slime and solve a mystery at ArtPlay this winter thanks to a packed school holiday program dreamed up by kids, for kids.

We worked with 40 children to brainstorm and collaborate on ideas for workshops, art experiences and performances through our Young Idea Makers sessions.

Then we matched ideas to artists who could bring them to life for other children to enjoy.

Thomas, aged nine, is part of the creative team behind *Lost*, an interactive show developed from children's ideas.

It premiered at ArtPlay in January with a sold-out season and will return during the school holidays as a part of the inaugural 'By kids, for kids' program.

'I hope that it will teach kids that it is a good thing to be creative and it is okay to be different.'

'*Lost* involves travelling through a strange world where everyone has lost their names and the viewer has to travel around this world in order to find them,' Thomas said.



Gali, Ahmarnya, Thomas, Alex and Shanni – the creative team behind 'Lost'

'I hope that it will teach kids that it is a good thing to be creative and it is okay to be different.'

As a City of Culture, we bring together children and artists at ArtPlay to co-create experiences that encourage self-expression and playful exchange.

Furthermore, we position children as artists in their own right and look for opportunities for children to exercise their agency in the creative process.

Book now for this winter's epic school holiday fun.

 **FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT melbourne.vic.gov.au/artplay**



Rediscover some of our city's best street art thanks to our new map

STREET ART STROLL

Feast your eyes on Melbourne's most famous street art and discover some lesser-known gems guided by our brand new street art map.

This meandering, self-guided stroll encompasses art, architecture, retail and hospitality, with lots of photo opportunities along the way. The journey takes about two and a half hours.

Head to our website to download the map or scan the QR code at one of our visitor hubs.

While you're there, check out our other maps, including: Arcades and Lanes, Aboriginal Melbourne and the Melbourne Music Walk.

 **FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT whatson.melbourne.vic.gov.au/walks**



BOYD IN BLOOM

Angelo and his partner Amy belong to a number of sustainability advocacy groups and even launched a foundation in Colombia to educate children about the environment

Watch as the new communal garden and orchard next to Boyd Community Hub begin to bloom this winter thanks to the green thumbs of Southbank Sustainability Group.

Local residents told us they wanted a garden when we sought community feedback on plans for the new Boyd Park, and they helped inform the garden's design.

Around 30 community members attended the first planting day in April to fill the newly installed wicking beds with winter veggies, herbs and a few flowers.

In keeping with our goal to increase people's access to locally-grown food and promote food security, all Southbank residents are welcome to harvest the garden's produce.

Angelo Indovino, one of the passionate members of Southbank Sustainability Group, said the garden's success is due to many dedicated people quietly working to make things grow.

'The work in the garden is very much a labour of love. It is about the communal planning and planting of seasonal crops, watering, weeding, composting and so on,' Angelo said.

'The orchard is still a work in progress and will have a variety of fruit trees.'

'The work in the garden is very much a labour of love.'

Beyond gardening, the Southbank Sustainability Group meets regularly to discuss all things sustainability and aims to bring positive change to the neighbourhood through a range of solutions.

The group encourages all residents take both individual and communal action to reduce energy consumption, including reducing the use of plastic, using public transport, planting trees and more.

'We are currently active in the communal garden, reducing waste, composting and energy-saving initiatives in high-rise buildings,' Angelo said.

'As a nation we need to seriously reduce carbon emissions, minimise all types of pollution and stop the logging of our native forests.

'There is so much to do and we will expand our activities as we grow our membership.'

Councillor Cathy Oke, Chair of the Environment portfolio, said the Boyd communal garden is a great example of how people power can create positive outcomes for sustainability at a local level.

'Communal gardens are a great way to build more robust food systems, boost urban biodiversity, cool our city, enrich communities, and create more local sustainability advocates,' Cr Oke said.

'The City of Melbourne is proud to be part of an international movement of cities taking urgent action to reduce emissions and address the impacts of climate change, and we can all play a part in this goal.'

'Communal gardens are a great way to build more robust food systems, boost urban biodiversity, cool our city, enrich communities, and create more local sustainability advocates.'

'We've already made incredible achievements, including becoming the first Australian capital city council to be powered by 100 per cent renewable energy.'

'Going forward, we will continue taking bold action, working in partnership with the state and federal governments to increase uptake in clean energy initiatives.'



Southbank locals enjoy the communal garden inauguration day in April

GET INVOLVED

The Southbank Sustainability Group meets at Boyd at 10am on the first and third Saturday of the month to catch up on sustainability issues over coffee and then tend to the garden.

All Southbank residents are welcome to join the group. It's free, and members can be involved as much or as little as they wish. No prior experience is required.

While the garden and orchard are accessible to everyone, the organisers ask that people who want to help tend to the garden work in an organised fashion by joining the Southbank Sustainability Group.

Search for Southbank Sustainability Group on Facebook to find out more, or email southbanksustainability@gmail.com

ABOUT BOYD PARK

We've been working to transform the area adjacent to the popular Boyd Community Hub and library into a green space perfect for recreation, markets and more.

The new park will create a backyard for Southbank residents, one of Melbourne's most densely populated suburbs.

A new half basketball court is already open beside the orchard, and the remainder of the park will open during winter.

The park will also include 64 new trees, including nine 10-metre palms, so borrow a book from the library and find a tranquil spot to sit and read.

 **FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT melbourne.vic.gov.au/boyd**

SIX TOP TIPS FOR CITY GREENING

You don't need a garden or a balcony to take action on climate change and contribute to sustainability and urban biodiversity in our city.

Here are six tips for growing your own green roof, wall or facade at your home, workplace or community facility.

1 Plan with care

Seek expert advice to ensure your project is designed to bear weight, be waterproof and be environmentally sustainable. Where possible, use recycled and locally-produced materials.

Remember that the quality of your design, construction and maintenance will play a factor in the lifespan of your project. Some green roofs in Europe have been in place for more than 75 years.

2 Pick your plants

Research what types of plants or trees will be most suitable for your project, and our future climate. We're doing the same across the city.

3 Be creative

Think outside the box. Even surfaces with steep slopes, limited access, tiles, deep shade or other challenging features may have the potential for greening. Speak to an expert to plan your project.

4 Be water wise

Explore alternative sources of irrigation, such as harvested and recycled water. Irrigation is required for all green walls and recommended for most green facades and roofs, depending on your plant choice.

5 Save money

Consider ways that your green roof, wall or facade could work for you, such as shielding your property from the elements. You could look at including solar panels to make your design even more cost-effective and sustainable.

6 Get support

Costs will vary from project to project. You may wish to explore opportunities for support through channels like our Urban Forest Fund or the Sustainable Australia Fund.

Thank you to the Growing Green Guide for helping us compile these tips: growinggreenguide.org

Stay tuned for news about exciting new green roofs opening around the city, which aim to inspire more similar projects and enable further research into biodiversity, water, climate and wellbeing.

 **FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT melbourne.vic.gov.au/greencity**



Green roofs, walls and facades are popping up around the city

EVENTS CALENDAR

A FEW OF OUR FAVOURITE THINGS



Find more great events like these at whatson.melbourne.vic.gov.au



JUN

28-30

Firelight Festival

9 JUNE

TASTE OF PORTUGAL

Savour a Portuguese custard tart, purchase colourful ceramics, dance the samba and make your own chorizo at Queen Victoria Market. This event, for all ages, unites Portuguese, Brazilian and East Timorese communities.

UNTIL 9 JUNE

MELBOURNE INTERNATIONAL JAZZ FESTIVAL

See more than 500 Australian, international and emerging jazz musicians at venues across the city.

UNTIL 16 JUNE

CLOUDSTREET

Witness Tim Winton's award-winning Australian saga on stage at Malthouse. See the show in one event, with lunch or dinner provided, or over two nights.

16 TO 22 JUNE

REFUGEE WEEK

Dine with extraordinary Melburnians who came to our country as refugees and are now forging their own micro businesses. Find out more about the humans behind the headlines at the Multicultural Hub.

19 TO 29 JUNE

EMERGING WRITERS' FESTIVAL

Be inspired at this popular literary festival, which nurtures new and diverse writing talent. Take your pick from the packed program, or grab a golden ticket to experience it all.

20 TO 23 JUNE

MELBOURNE KITCHEN PROJECT

Step inside the homes of diverse Melburnians and explore the connections between food, family, community and culture at Signal. This exhibition is by young artist Meg Rennie.

20 TO 30 JUNE

WUNDERAGE

Dive into a mesmerising world of circus featuring breathtaking physical feats, live music and humour at Meat Market. This world premiere collaboration from Circus Oz and Company 2 invites you to dream.

22 TO 23 JUNE

TRUFFLE MELBOURNE FESTIVAL

Sip on a truffle cocktail, meet Melbourne's favourite truffle dogs Spice and Arrow, see top chefs do their thing, and kick back in the Truffle Bar at Queen Victoria Market.

28 TO 30 JUNE

FIRELIGHT FESTIVAL

Celebrate the winter solstice at this fiery Docklands event, featuring live entertainment, flame jets, fire drums, fireworks and plenty of warm winter food. Find the fun on New Quay Promenade, Harbour Esplanade and Victoria Promenade from 5pm each day.

30 JUNE, 28 JULY AND 25 AUGUST

SUNDAY LOUNGE MUSIC PROGRAM

Enjoy live music curated by participants of our emerging producers mentorship program. Performances are held at Library and the Dock and Kathleen Syme Library and Community Centre from 3pm on the last Sunday of the month throughout most of the year.

JUN

20-23

Melbourne Kitchen Project

3 JULY TO 29 SEPTEMBER

COME FROM AWAY

See the Australian premiere of this Tony Award-winning musical about how a tiny town in Newfoundland took care of more than 7000 plane passengers stranded in the wake of 11 September 2001. At the Comedy Theatre.

8 TO 12 JULY

BATS OF LEISURE WORKSHOP

Make a quilted wall hanging in this free workshop for people aged 13 to 25 at Signal. Learn new skills, experiment with different techniques and create something stylish to take home.

11 TO 27 JULY

BRING IT ON: THE MUSICAL

See explosive choreography and aerial stunts in this high-energy hit show. Inspired by the hit film, this musical is sprinkled with sass and back by popular demand at the Athenaeum Theatre.

12 TO 13 JULY

BASTILLE DAY FRENCH FESTIVAL

Kick up your heels to celebrate all things French at The Atrium and Deakin Edge at Federation Square. This authentic French winter market will feature live music and can-can dancers.

27 TO 28 JULY

OPEN HOUSE MELBOURNE

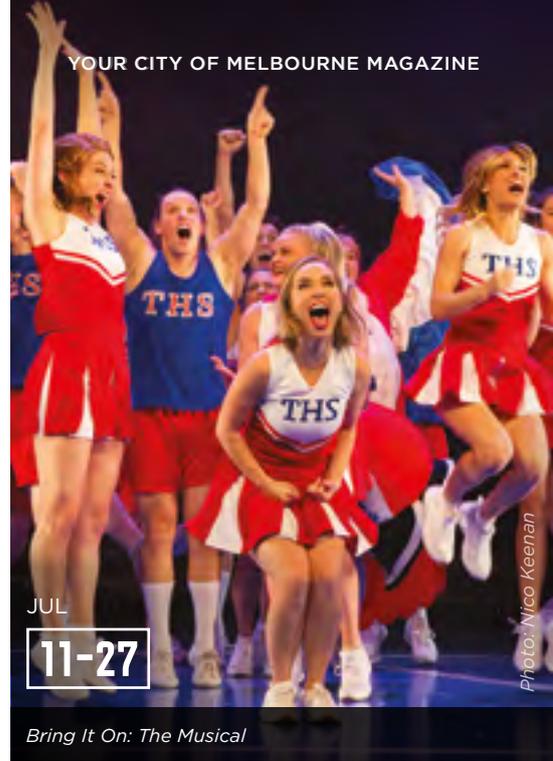
Explore our city as 200 buildings fling open their doors. See Meat Market's historic halls, get creative at Signal, tour our community hubs, let the kids loose with 2000 ping pong balls at ArtPlay, and much more. Tours are free, some require bookings.



UNTIL
JUN

9

Melbourne International Jazz Festival



YOUR CITY OF MELBOURNE MAGAZINE

JUL

11-27

Bring It On: The Musical

Photo: Nico Keenan

4 MAY TO 28 JULY

INSIDEOUT AND KOORROYARR

Head to the Koorie Heritage Trust to see distinctive collage, animation, fashion and live-art works by Ngarigo artist Peter Waples-Crowes, and works of possum skin, weaving, sculpture and wood by Gunditjmara Keerray Woorroong artists and sisters Kelsey and Tarryn Love.

1 TO 18 AUGUST

MELBOURNE INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

Immerse yourself in the stories of the world through a carefully curated program of stunning screen experiences. Running since 1952, this is one of the world's oldest film festivals.

1 TO 31 AUGUST

CRAFT CUBED FESTIVAL

Calling all makers, creatives and lovers of handmade goodies - this month-long celebration at Craft Victoria will be your kind of heaven. This year's theme is Crafting Culture.

9 TO 17 AUGUST

INDIAN FILM FESTIVAL OF MELBOURNE

Spot some of India's biggest stars, take a Bollywood dancing masterclass, and choose from 50 films in 23 languages. From musical extravaganzas to documentaries, the program presents a snapshot of modern India.

16 AND 17 AUGUST

MOULD: A CHEESE FESTIVAL

Come and taste the best cheese from all over Australia in one place. Your ticket includes all cheese tastings, and you can also choose from a series of masterclasses.

22 AUGUST TO 3 NOVEMBER

SIGNAL SCREEN AND SOUND COMMISSIONS

See and hear the works of talented young and emerging screen and sound artists on the Signal screens and played loud along Northbank.

22 TO 24 AUGUST

WHITE NIGHT REIMAGINED

See inner-city parks and gardens transformed and iconic cultural institutions abuzz with special programming, while enticing new food and music showcase Victoria's best local produce and talent.

26 AUGUST TO 7 SEPTEMBER

MID-AUTUMN MOON LANTERN FESTIVAL

Learn how to make a lantern or a mooncake, and take part in a parade. This festival is a feast of culture, food, dance and song in Chinatown, and students get free access to the Chinese Museum.

UNTIL 1 SEPTEMBER

BENEATH

Explore an underwater landscape crafted from recycled plastic, from Wednesday to Sunday at ArtPlay. Surprising creatures and sounds await on the ocean floor. This environmentally-focused exhibition is for families.

28 AUGUST TO 5 SEPTEMBER

MELBOURNE FASHION WEEK

See breathtaking ready-to-wear collections for spring and summer on the runway and indulge your passion for fashion through a packed program of exhibitions and partner events, from film previews to workshops.

SPORT

29 JUNE TO 14 JULY

GO GIRLS SKATE CLINIC

Head to Riverslide Skate Park these school holidays to try skateboarding for the first time or improve your skills in a safe and supportive environment. The sessions are led by experienced YMCA coaches, and there's a special Go Girls Skate Clinic from 2 to 9 July.

27 TO 28 JULY

FRIENDSHIP DASH AND RUN MELBOURNE

Take part in the free, untimed, four kilometre Friendship Dash (or walk) on Saturday, featuring free entertainment and giveaways. Or join the Run Melbourne movement and head past some of Melbourne's most famous landmarks on Sunday. Expect cheer zones and epic vibes.



Subscribe to our weekly What's On newsletter at whatson.melbourne.vic.gov.au/subscribe

PLAN AHEAD TO ARRIVE ON TIME

Take a moment to consider how you will travel into the city, in case construction works delay your journey. whatson.melbourne.vic.gov.au/planahead

LOVE ALL AT ROYAL PARK

Book a court and find a welcoming community amid the historic, leafy surrounds of the Royal Park Tennis Club this winter. Who knows, you might even find true love.

Betty Wohlers and Kevin Walsh had played tennis at neighbouring Parkville clubs for many years but never met until the two clubs amalgamated in 1992.

The groups celebrated the merge with a progressive dinner held across the new Royal Park Tennis Club's three clubhouses. Betty and Kevin's eyes met over the entrée, and the rest is history.

The couple married on a Saturday afternoon in 1995, and so many of the wedding guests were from their 'tennis family' that the club found it difficult to fill teams that day.

Betty and Kevin joke that the secret to their happy marriage is not playing against each other too often.

'We're not the only couple to have met at the club. It was fabulously social. We had lots of functions and Christmas parties. They were great days,' Betty said.

'Today, the facility has never been more beautiful and never more accessible for people with prams and wheelchairs. It's such a welcoming place.'

Betty and Kevin's daughter Natalie grew up around the club and now works there herself.

'The facility has never been more beautiful and never more accessible for people with prams and wheelchairs. It's such a welcoming place.'

They are all keen to welcome new players of all ages, genders and abilities, be they locals, international students or tennis-loving tourists.

'Coming here is a very cheap way to keep fit and meet new people. We have a newly-renovated clubhouse with a great deck and bar, and floodlights for night matches,' Kevin said.

'If you're a beginner, or haven't played tennis for a while, you can even book a couple of lessons with one of our coaches to brush up on your skills.'

Royal Park Tennis Club runs social afternoons on the last Sunday of the month, weekday drop-in sessions, Wednesday-night

social play, competitions for men, women, mixed teams and juniors, Meetup groups and more.

Head to the club's website to find out more: royalparktennis.com.au

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MOVE YOUR OWN WAY

Discover more local clubs for tennis, lawn bowls, rowing and more in our Active Melbourne directory. melbourne.vic.gov.au/activemelbourne



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT melbourne.vic.gov.au/activemelbourne



Betty and Kevin found love and community at Royal Park Tennis Club



Discover new ways to work out this winter

WARM WINTER WORKOUTS

Nurture your wellbeing in the warmth of our recreation centres this winter, where you can enjoy a wide range of facilities and programs.

From heated pools and kids' activities to group fitness classes and gymnasiums, there's something for all ages and fitness levels. Here are our trainers' six top tips to stay active during the cooler months.

1 Buddy up

Exercise with a friend or book some sessions with a personal trainer to stay motivated when it's cold outside.

2 Splash around

Head to your local heated pool to swim, try water aerobics, or even just walk or run laps in the water. Then bliss out in the spa or sauna.

3 Swim safe

Enrol your child in vital swimming lessons during winter to make sure they are safe around water in summer.

4 Spin out

Love to cycle, but want to avoid the cold and rain? Spin classes are a great way to improve your cycling fitness indoors.

5 Mix it up

Winter is a great time to experiment with your workout. So try out a new group fitness class like Adrenaline, Half Hour Power or The Pace.

6 Join a team

Almost every sport can be played indoors, so get a team together and check out your local stadiums at our Carlton and North Melbourne facilities.

DID YOU KNOW

We have recreation centres in Carlton, North Melbourne, Kensington and the central city, and your membership gives you access to facilities at all these locations.



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT
[melbourne.vic.gov.au/
recreationcentres](http://melbourne.vic.gov.au/recreationcentres)

FLORENCE'S FIRST HALF MARATHON

As a City of Wellbeing, we're helping more people enjoy our city's great events and sporting activities by providing opportunities to people who might not otherwise be able to attend.

Through our Event Partnership Program, we support a range of health and wellbeing events including the Disability Sport and Recreation Festival.

Thanks to our partnerships, we also provide opportunities for various community groups to access other events we sponsor.

Last year we provided African Australian community groups with the opportunity

to be involved in Run Melbourne as part of our initiative to encourage fitness in multicultural communities.

This enabled Florence Mauwa to run her first half marathon.

'At the start line, you realise we are all the same. It doesn't matter who you are, where you are from or what you do, thousands of people are united by the love of one thing - running,' Florence said.

'The buzz when you cross the finish line is just the icing on the cake.'

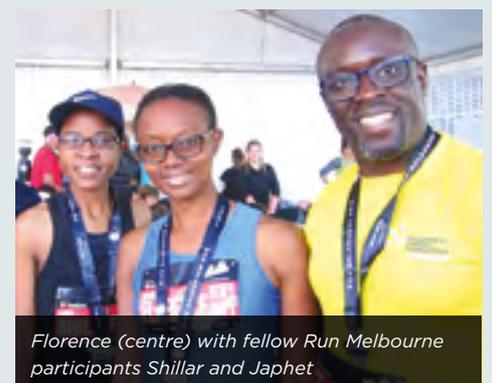
Florence encourages other community members to live healthy, active lives, and says all you have to do to make the change is just start.

'When I started I could hardly run a kilometre. Four months later I had entered my first half marathon. I train alone but I have a community of people who encourage me with my training which helps,' Florence said.

'Being in the City of Melbourne, I love that all I need are my runners and I can train. From the various run tracks to the running friendly pavements and parks, I have no excuse.'



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT
melbourne.vic.gov.au/epp



Florence (centre) with fellow Run Melbourne participants Shillar and Japhet

ROOFTOP HONEY HARVEST



There are more than 30 beehives on central-city rooftops

Feel the buzz around Emporium Melbourne as 160,000 urban bees we sponsor enrich our ecosystem and make honey for us to donate to people experiencing food insecurity.

Melbourne City Rooftop Honey has more than 130 hives across greater Melbourne with more than 30 in the central city. Each hive hosts up to 80,000 bees.

We've supported the company's work since 2011 and currently sponsor two hives on the Emporium rooftop. Each year, we donate the first 20 kg of honey harvested to organisations listed in our Community Food Guide.

These organisations help vulnerable people access nutritious and locally produced food through breakfast programs and other initiatives.

DID YOU KNOW

Bees pollinate at least 65 per cent of the fruit and vegetables we eat, and so play a vital role in our ecosystem. Without bees, and all their hard work, many crops would struggle and some would disappear.

Vanessa Kwiatkowski, co-founder of Melbourne City Rooftop Honey, said the company aims to use otherwise unused space, and educates the community about how important bees are to our food system.

'Cities can be a wonderful place for bees. They do really well and produce honey unique to the local flora,' Vanessa said.

'Each location we keep hives has its own flavour. For example, the Southern Cross end of the city produces a stronger, bolder flavour, whereas the top end of the city has a light, floral taste.'

'Cities can be a wonderful place for bees. They do really well and produce honey unique to the local flora.'

'We need to think of our city as a place not only to work but a liveable space – a place for humans and bees. If we can create a greener, more sustainable city, everyone benefits.'

As a City of Wellbeing, we are committed to building a secure, sustainable and thriving food system and increasing access to nutritious, safe, fair and culturally appropriate food for all Melburnians.

To view our Community Food Guide, visit melbourne.vic.gov.au/communityfoodguide



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT
melbourne.vic.gov.au/foodpolicy

IN BRIEF

ANNUAL ARTS GRANTS

What would you create with a \$20,000 grant? Whether you compose, sculpt, dance, write, perform, film or produce work unlike anything else, apply for funding by 24 June to make your 2020 project happen.

melbourne.vic.gov.au/annualartsgiants

DON'T FORGET YOUR BAGS

Queen Victoria Market is proudly plastic bag and straw free. Bring your own bag, grab a cardboard box from the pick-a-box stations, or buy reusable bags and straws at the Visitor Hub or participating market stalls.

qvm.com.au/sustainability

REPORT IT ONLINE 24/7

From graffiti to abandoned vehicles, you can report issues online around the clock. Get in touch from your mobile device when it suits you. Head to our website to find out more.

melbourne.vic.gov.au/contactus

HUBS FOR HIRE

Need to hire a room? Are you interested in holding a meeting, running a workshop, class or family gathering? Discover what rooms are available to hire in our community hubs in and around the city.

melbourne.vic.gov.au/hubbookablespaces

MELBOURNE AWARDS

Are you part of a project that is helping make Melbourne great? Register for your chance to receive our city's highest accolade by 7 June.

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All **committee meetings** are held in Council Meeting room, Level 2 Melbourne Town Hall, Swanston Street, Melbourne.

All **Council meetings** are held in Council Chamber, (Public Gallery, Level 3) Melbourne Town Hall, Swanston Street, Melbourne.

On occasion, Council meetings are rescheduled or special meetings of the committees and council are called.

For upcoming council and committee meeting dates and times, visit melbourne.vic.gov.au

Changes to the meeting schedule are published at melbourne.vic.gov.au and on the notice board at the front of the Melbourne Town Hall administration building.

JUNE		
Future Melbourne Committee	Tuesday 4 June	5.30pm
Special Future Melbourne Committee	Thursday 13 June	5.30pm
Future Melbourne Committee	Thursday 20 June	5.30pm
Council	Tuesday 25 June	5.30pm
JULY		
Future Melbourne Committee	Tuesday 2 July	5.30pm
Future Melbourne Committee	Tuesday 16 July	5.30pm
Council	Tuesday 30 July	5.30pm
AUGUST		
Future Melbourne Committee	Tuesday 6 August	5.30pm
Future Melbourne Committee	Tuesday 20 August	5.30pm
Council	Tuesday 27 August	5.30pm

PRIDE AND PURPOSE

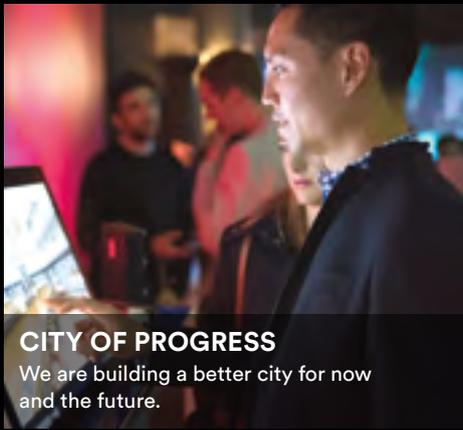
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The six key strengths inspire us to work towards being an even more bold and sustainable city that supports everyone who lives, works, invests, learns and plays here.

We invite you to share your stories about why you are proud of our city through social media, email or phone. Our contact details are below.

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CITY OF PROGRESS

We are building a better city for now and the future.



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We champion action on climate change and waste.



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We support innovation and contribute to a thriving business culture.



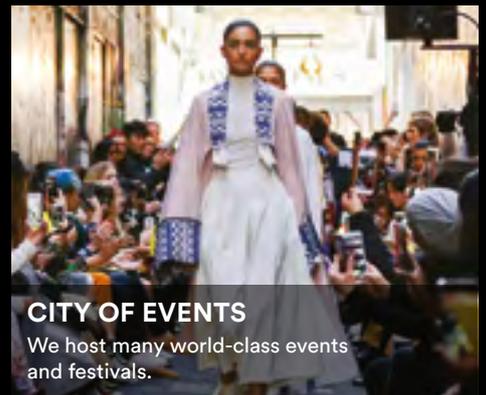
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We are creating a healthy and inclusive community for all.



CITY OF CULTURE

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