TRANSFORMING Southbank Boulevard

Construction update

August 2021

The two neighbourhood parks along Southbank Boulevard are progressing well and will be open to the public in coming months. Considerable tree planting has also been completed along Southbank Boulevard during the recent planting season.

Civic Space

The planting of 49 trees in the Civic Space is now finished, including planting of the 'Separation Tree' in the central terrace. The Separation Tree is a Red River Gum that was grown from a sapling of the original 400-year-old Separation Tree located in Royal Botanic Gardens.

Neighbourhood Parks

Landscaping on the eastern part of the neighbourhood park between Moore Street and Kavanagh Street has been completed, including installation of rocks weighing up to 20 tons each and surrounding bluestone paving. The remainder of the works are on track to be finished in September this year.

All landscape works on the corner of Kavanagh and Moore streets are also done, including the planting of one Plane Tree and 13 Frontier Elms in the garden beds.

The neighbourhood park between Fawkner Street and City Road is progressing well, with bluestone walls and paving currently under construction. The installation of the boardwalk will be done next, with the park expected to be open by November this year.



Work continues on the neighbourhood park between Fawkner Street and City Road

Play space

The final component of the Transforming Southbank Boulevard project is the play space located between Kavanagh Street and Fawkner Street that local Southbank families will be able to enjoy. Work on this play space will commence in late 2021 with expected completion in the second quarter of 2022. Two Plane Trees in this area will be removed to make way for new play equipment, however an additional 25 trees of different species will also be planted in this area.



20 ton rocks being installed between Kavanagh Street and Moore Street

You may notice fewer workers on site during the next few weeks in line with COVID-19 restrictions and Victorian Government COVIDSafe Settings.

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