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Join the 2019 Community Summit

Connect, collaborate and develop projects with like-minded community members at the 2019 Community Summit. Local volunteers, volunteer organisations and people interested in volunteering are all welcome to attend.

On the day you’ll be able to:

- learn about Cardinia Shire’s health and social priorities
- find out how you can help develop new projects
- get information about potential funding sources
- work with like-minded people towards positive outcomes

Community Summit 2019

Saturday 16 March
9.30am–12.30pm
Cardinia Cultural Centre, Lakeside Blvd, Pakenham

More info and bookings
Wishing everyone in Cardinia Shire a happy new year! We trust you’ve all enjoyed a festive holiday season and hope the year ahead will be a prosperous one for you and your family.

I’m honoured to have been appointed Mayor of Cardinia Shire for 2018–19 and look forward to achieving some great outcomes for the community this year. I can’t say how much I appreciate the warm welcome I’ve received as your new Mayor at the events I’ve attended recently. I also thank Cr Collin Ross for his leadership and dedication to the role during the previous mayoral term.

Carol Jeffs is also hard at work as the new CEO of Cardinia Shire Council and I’m confident that together we will achieve great outcomes for the shire. It’s wonderful to have her on board and under Carol’s leadership the organisation looks set to achieve new levels of excellence.

This edition of Connect is full of shire news and updates on the projects we’ve been working on. I’m particularly excited about the ongoing work at Deep Creek Reserve, which I was able to visit recently. This project is nearing completion and will soon provide a regional all-abilities recreation space for both residents and visitors to our shire. You’ll also find the Waste Guide for 2019 in the centre of this magazine with a tear-off waste and recycling calendar for you to keep handy.

I hope you are enjoying summer in our beautiful shire! Please keep cool and stay safe when temperatures are high.

Mayor’s message

Introducing our new CEO

I am a proud Cardinia Shire resident and I’m delighted to have this opportunity to make a difference in a place that I know and love.

I’ve enjoyed some time on the road with our councillors, getting an important first-hand look at our communities and townships, and dropping into some of our local facilities. This has enabled me to get a better understanding of community priorities and projects across the shire.

I look forward to advocating strongly for what Cardinia Shire needs going forward and engaging with residents, community groups, farmers, businesses and landowners, as we take up the challenge of creating a future we can all be proud of.

Carol Jeffs, CEO

Check our website for Council and Town Planning meeting dates and times.

Student leaders have their say

Council’s first Student Leaders Conference – involving 17 local primary schools and more than 100 Grade 6 student leaders – gave young people a great opportunity to share their ideas with Council.

Students were involved at every step of the conference from planning the day and developing the program, to speaking at the event and creating the Cardinia Children’s Charter, which was later presented to Council.

The charter supports the importance of listening to children in the community and was signed by the student leaders on behalf of all children in Cardinia Shire.

Council is recognised as a Child Friendly City and the conference showed students they are important citizens in the community and that Council is keen to listen to their ideas.

Business events and support

Council has developed the Casey Cardinia Region website in partnership with City of Casey to provide a central resource for anyone looking to start or grow a business in the area.

You can access information and services to help manage your business, find out about local events and training, enter your business for one of our business awards, and more.

Upcoming training includes free business mentoring sessions to support businesses in the region. Multiple sessions are available and you can book via the website. Just make sure you register for one of the sessions at Toomah Community Centre. These ones are specifically for businesses in Cardinia Shire.

www.caseycardinia.com.au

Business awards

Your business may be eligible to enter the annual Casey Cardinia Business Awards, which recognise local businesses for their achievements.

Officer based builder SJD Homes took out the top honours in 2018, being named Casey Cardinia Business of the Year. SJD homes has award-winning display homes across the region, offering both new homes and house and land packages. They employ locally, support local trades and suppliers, and are proactive in many community and charitable projects.

The team at SJD Homes celebrate their Casey Cardinia Business of the Year 2018 award.

Local government program for young leaders

Council congratulates the young people who took part in our Youth Council Leadership and Learning Program in 2018.

The participants learnt how to advocate for local solutions and took part in a range of activities including a mock election, a debate, and a trip to Parliament House. They participated in local events and joined various community groups and committees. Council is confident they will continue to serve as young community leaders as they step aside for the 2019 program participants.

We look forward to welcoming our 2019 program participants soon.
According to the CFA, we don’t have to live in country areas to be at risk of fire. Residents of suburban areas near significant bush, forest, long grass, or coastal scrub are also at risk and are advised to plan for the fire season.

Having a written bushfire plan will help you know how to respond when threatened by a fire; it can be hard to remember what to do in the face of an emergency.

**Incorporate these decisions in your plan:**

- Which fire danger rating is your trigger to leave?
- Will you leave early that morning or the night before?
- Where will you go?
- What route will you take – and what is your alternative in the event that a fire is already in the area?
- What will you take with you?
- What do you need to organise for your pets or livestock?
- Who do you need to keep informed of your movements?
- Do you need to help or check on anyone outside your household?
- How will you stay informed about warnings and updates?
- What will you do if there is a fire in the area and you cannot leave?

The CFA’s Fire Ready Kit will help you plan for the fire season, from pre-season activities to what to do if there is a fire in your area.

**Stay informed**

Leaving early is the safest option, and this means well before a fire gets close. Know how to stay informed in the event of a fire.

**Summer heat health**

Heat kills more Australians than any natural disaster.

During extreme heat it is easy to become dehydrated or for your body to overheat. Heatstroke is a medical emergency which can result in permanent damage to your vital organs, or even death, if not treated immediately.

**Stay safe**

- Drink water even if you aren’t thirsty
- Never leave children, adults or pets in hot cars
- Keep cool with fans, cold showers and loose clothing
- Schedule activities for the coolest part of the day
- Check on others who may be at risk

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Members of Lang Lang Senior Citizens stay hydrated and cool in the shade.
Improving our unsealed roads

Council has budgeted a record $20 million to improve our road network in 2018–19 on top of annual maintenance, renewal and other capital works.

The program provides for sealing up to 50 kilometres of unsealed roads to improve our overall road network and decrease the length of unsealed road travelled to reach the sealed road network.

Cardinia Shire has about 863 kilometres of unsealed roads – about the distance from Melbourne to Sydney. This network can be impacted by usage and weather, and Council works to minimise issues of corrugation and dust for our community and road users.

Unsealed roads rely on moisture to bind the materials together. The drier the weather conditions, the quicker the material comes loose. If roads become too dry, grading them can sometimes make them worse. If we get a hot, dry summer, a lot of roads can deteriorate at the same time, meaning Council must prioritise roads in the worst condition and with the highest use for maintenance.

In addition to the $20 million budgeted for sealing works, Council is also updating its road management plan. This will deliver increased levels of service to our unsealed roads using a data-driven proactive program to better predict the appropriate frequency of grading and maintenance works.

Check Council’s weekly road works update to see which roads are scheduled for maintenance.

You can check if a road is Council’s responsibility and report a road issue online.

Top tips for driving on unsealed roads

• Go easy – hard braking, cornering and acceleration breaks apart the surface of the road and causes corrugations
• Lower your speed to reduce dust and damage to the road surface
• Respect residents on unsealed roads by slowing down to limit dust
• Drive in accordance with the conditions of the road – it’s the law!
• Be aware that the condition of unsealed roads can change quickly
Improving our unsealed roads

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What’s better than a dip in the pool on a sunny summer’s day? All outdoor pools in the shire are open for the season and have some great summer events lined up.

Outdoor pools open when the forecast temperature is 26 degrees or above. However, all pools will open for a guaranteed three hours every day in January, regardless of the weather!

- Pakenham, Koo Wee Rup and Garfield pools
  - Weekdays (school days) 3–7pm
  - Weekends and public holidays 1–7pm
  - School holiday period 11am–7pm
- Emerald Lake Park wading pool
  - Every day 12–6:30pm

Check online to confirm pools are open before your visit.

Outdoor pools open for summer!

Zacharia, Ciara, CJ, Janaya and Jai checked out the new space and are looking forward to hanging out there.

A new space for young people

Council is renovating an old church in Pakenham to provide a new space for young people aged 16–24.

Young people were involved in naming the new space, which is now called The Point – place of inclusion ‘n’ trust. The space will enable increased youth activities and support for young people not currently accessing local services. External youth service providers and community groups will be able to book the space, on the corner of Main Street and McGregor Road, through the existing My Place youth facility.

We are also working towards establishing a youth mental health hub on the site so that young people can access mental health support locally. Keep up-to-date with programs and book tickets on our website.

All Youth Services events are fully supervised and smoke, drug and alcohol free.

Youth services in our shire

Council provides a range of services, programs, events and activities to support young people aged 12 to 24 in Cardinia Shire.

My Place is an integrated youth facility for young people, located at 5–7 Main Street, Pakenham. Young people can drop in on weekdays from 1–5.15pm to use computers with internet access, speak to a qualified youth worker, find out about local programs and activities, or access onsite support services.

As an integrated multi-agency facility, My Place offers onsite support from a range of specialist organisations. They provide support in the areas of youth mental health, wellbeing and development, including but not limited to, education, training and work, drug and alcohol misuse, and housing. Young people can also access specialist counselling services at My Place.

In addition to support services, My Place also delivers programs and activities that encourage young people to connect with like-minded people of a similar age in a safe and supportive way. These programs are fun, social and a great way for young people to meet new friends as well as learn valuable life skills.

Youth services in our shire
What’s on?
Here are just some of the amazing events and activities happening in our shire.

Cardinia Cultural Centre

All performances are held at Cardinia Cultural Centre’s Star Theatre. For bookings and event info, visit www.cardiniaculturalcentre.com.au or call 1300 887 624
Note: Performances are subject to change without notice. Check the website for up-to-date performance listings.

School holiday movies

Wednesday 23 January, 10am
Paw Patrol: Mighty Pups

Friday 25 January, 10am
Show Dogs

The perfect way to spend a morning in the school holidays!

The songs of Eva Cassidy – Silvie Paladino

Wednesday 20 March, 10am
Join us for morning tea at 10am and a performance at 11am. Silvie Paladino pays tribute to Eva Cassidy, one of the great voices of the 20th century.

This is the moment – Michael Cormick

Wednesday 13 February, 10am
Join us for morning tea at 10am and a performance at 11am. Michael shares stories of the great composers and directors he has worked with, and performs his favourite songs.

360 ALLSTARS

Monday 25 and Tuesday 26 March
Don’t miss this phenomenal physical performance that connects the street with the elite to deliver a radical urban circus. Check the website for show information.

Emerald Lake Park

Summer Music Series 2019
Summer Music Series concerts are back in 2019!
Concerts are free, family-friendly events held every Sunday afternoon during February at Emerald Lake Park, featuring local and visiting musicians.
View our 2019 line up on our website.
cardinia.vic.gov.au/summermusic

Local markets

Pick up fresh produce or handicrafts from one of these great local markets.

The Community Grocer
Every Thursday, 9am–12pm
6b Henry Street, Pakenham

Cockatoo Country Market
First Saturday of the month, 8.30am–1.30pm
Community Complex Hall, Alma Treloar Reserve, 77 Pakenham Road

Emerald Grow It, Bake It, Make It Market
First Sunday of the month, 10am–3pm
Gemco Community Arts Centre, 19 Kilvington Drive

Emerald Market
Third Sunday of the month, 9am–3pm
Emerald Community House, 356 Belgrave–Gembrook Road

Pakenham Community Market
Third Sunday of the month, 8am–1pm
Pakenham Football Club, Toomuc Reserve, Princes Highway

Gembrook Market
Fourth Sunday of the month, 9am–2pm
Gembrook Community Centre, Pakenham–Gembrook Road

Bunyip Community Market
Last Sunday of the month, 9am–2pm
Corner Bunyip–Longwarry Road and Arrigo Avenue

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Local libraries – Book it in!

All events are free and bookings are essential unless otherwise stated. Visit www.cclc.vic.gov.au/events or phone the host library.

School holiday events
We have a packed program of events happening at the library over the school holidays. Most events are free but bookings are essential. Check the website for details!

Harry Potter book night
Emerald Library
Thursday 7 February, 6–7.30pm
Children aged eight and over are invited to celebrate their love of Harry Potter and Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry with a night of fun, dress ups and prizes!

How to make preserves
Pakenham Library
Saturday 16 February, 1.30–3.30pm
Join Carol Clay and learn how to preserve fruit, make tomato sauce and fill your pantry with homemade foods.

Digital drop in
Emerald Library
Fourth Tuesday of the month, 2.30–3.30pm
Your friendly library staff will answer quick questions about your phone, tablet or computer. If you’re having trouble with your settings, email or apps, we’ll try to help!

Digital discovery
— apps for streaming
Pakenham Library
Tuesday 5 February, 2–3.30pm
Learn how to stream movies and music using free library apps and other streaming options. BYO device. Limited iPads available.

Pete the ‘permie’
Emerald Library
Tuesday 5 February, 6.45–7.45pm
Join Pete from Telopea Mountain Permaculture and Nursery to learn about designing and creating a permaculture garden.

Composting for beginners
Pakenham Library
Saturday 23 February, 10.30–12.30pm
Discover the benefits of composting and worm farms, how to choose the best system for your household, and how to get started.

Author Talk – Heather Morris
Emerald Library
Thursday 28 February, 7–8pm
Local author Heather Morris talks about her friendship with Holocaust survivor Lale Sokolov, and how she came to write his unforgettable love story The Tattooist of Auschwitz.

For more events or to add a listing to the community calendar go to www.cclc.vic.gov.au/events

Teensage School Holiday Program
Council’s Youth Services run a Teenage School Holiday Program every school holidays. Check our website for available activities and more information.


Outdoor pools Australia Day party
Saturday 26 January
Pakenham, Koo Wee Rup and Garfield pools celebrate the day with an Australian theme, music and specials.

All American car display
Sunday 17 February, 8am–2pm
Gembrook Recreation Reserve. Now in its 26th year, this is a great display of American hot rods, custom, classic, vintage and veteran cars. Also includes Man Cave Alley market stalls. $5 entry, children under 12 free.

Upper Beaconsfield Village Festival
Sunday 17 February
Upper Beaconsfield Community Centre, 10 Salisbury Road. A community celebration for the whole family with activities, art show food and market stalls. Will you join the Tough Tower Run this year?

www.ubvillagefest.org.au

Bunyip Rodeo
Saturday 23 February, 11am onwards
Bunyip Recreation Reserve. Fun for the whole family with rodeo action starting at 2pm. Check the Bunyip Rodeo Facebook page for more info. Tickets $10–$25.

Pakenham twilight movie night
Saturday 9 March, 6.30–11.30pm
Toomuc Football Ground. Enjoy an outdoor movie, barbecue, jumping castle and more. Find this event on Facebook for updates. Cost $5.
Cultural centre renovation taking shape

Redevelopment of Cardinia Cultural Centre will give residents access to a wider range of artistic performances, exhibitions and activities, and provide the region’s artists with an improved central hub for creative practice.

The development includes construction of a new arts space, rehearsal studios, amenities, an expanded foyer, a new facade with a second entry to the building, and more car parking.

Construction is well under way with the new section of the centre almost at lock-up stage: the floor slab for the extension has been poured and the steel frame erected. Once the roof is in place, solar panels will be fitted and soon after, we’ll be able to start working on the internal fit out. More than 70 new car parking spaces will be opened early this year.


New footpaths in Central ward

Council’s 2018–19 footpath program extends the footpath network in and around townships. Footpaths under construction or already completed include:

- Webster Way, Pakenham – completes a missing link on one side of the road through to Bald Hill Road
- Station Street, Pakenham – a new zebra crossing with flashing lights to increase pedestrian safety
- Bald Hill Road Pakenham – completes the missing link from the industrial area to Pakenham Central providing footpaths on both sides of the road.

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Community grants in Central Ward

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Examples of projects delivered in Central Ward under previous grants include the following.

Mental health first aid training

Outlook Community Centre delivered Mental Health First Aid training for staff, committee members and volunteers from the cluster of neighbourhood houses in Cardinia Shire. The training covered common mental health issues and how to support people exhibiting symptoms.

Pakenham movie night

Lakeside Residents Group organised an open air twilight movie at Toomuc Reserve for the community. Families enjoyed a screening of the Disney Pixar film Coco and a free jumping castle as well as a barbecue, popcorn, and face painting activities.

Applications for the next round of grants will open in March 2019.


James Bathe community and sport facility underway

Works on the community and sport facility are underway at James Bathe Recreation Reserve and will make a significant addition to local sporting grounds and provide a meeting place for the wider community.

The community and sport facility will feature community spaces, social space, meeting rooms, and a community kitchen and canteen. Universally accessible change rooms, all abilities amenities, an umpires room, gym, communications and storage space, cleaner’s storeroom, and first aid room are all included.

The development also includes:

- two netball courts
- a multi-use ball court for netball and basketball
- multi-use nets for cricket, futsal and baseball
- areas for skateboards and scooters
- open space areas
- a nature-based playground
- barbecues and shelters
- car parking.

Council has funded the project, located at Caversham Drive in Pakenham, with support from the Victorian Government’s Growing Suburbs and Community Sports Infrastructure funds.


Swing replacements in Pakenham parks

New swings will be installed in two Pakenham parks – Robin Court Reserve and Phillip Court Reserve.

The current swings in both parks have served the local community well over the past 30 years but will be replaced with updated equipment. Each park will get a double swing, which will include a toddler swing and a standard swing.

Local park users can expect to have the new swings in place in the first half of 2019.

Community defibrillator reinstalled

Council has reinstalled the life-saving defibrillator at Pakenham Library, hall and U3A. Community groups were dismayed when the new defibrillator was stolen and damaged, but were glad to see it back in place.

The automated external defibrillator can be used to revive someone who has experienced sudden cardiac arrest. It analyses the heart rhythm and diagnoses life-threatening conditions requiring defibrillation and, when necessary, can be used to apply a measured electrical current to the heart.

Defibrillators can save lives in busy community venues like the library, keeping the patient alive until an ambulance arrives. Defibrillators are designed to be used by bystanders with appropriate training. Cr Carol Ryan, library staff and U3A members attended training on how to use the defibrillator and perform CPR when it was first installed.

Cr Ryan, lan from Pakenham U3A and Jo-Anne from Pakenham Library attended defibrillator training along with other facility staff.

Swing replacements in Pakenham parks
Stage 1 of Lang Lang Community and Recreation Precinct is complete; cricket and football fields, netball courts, cricket practice nets, car parking, access roads and the wetlands area have all been completed. Turf for the cricket and football ovals is now being established in preparation for the coming seasons.

The design process has begun for the sports pavilion and Council is seeking input from all stakeholders. The new pavilion will be designed to include change rooms and amenities for netball, cricket, football and tennis and will be universally accessible. The pavilion will also include a community space, gym, kitchen, storage, plus umpires facilities.

With siteworks completed, construction of built elements of Deep Creek Reserve are forging ahead and plantings are coming to life. The reserve, in Cameron Way, Pakenham, is set to be an outstanding multi-use recreational space in Cardinia Shire.

A key feature of the park is the all-abilities play space – exciting structures and equipment will provide a range of activities from physical exercise and play to educational experiences and sensory exploration.

When completed, the play space will include shelters, barbecues, landscaping and a sand and water play area.

Construction of the Cardinia Community and Education Centre, which will also house the golf club and Cardinia Environment Coalition, is progressing well. Ground services are in, slab poured, plus the structural framework and external walls completed. The internal room layouts will begin in the first months of this year, providing a multi-user shared facility, combining ecological values, education and sport.

The new holes at the golf course are complete and the turf will establish over the coming months.

Landscaping and planting commenced in spring with a focus on indigenous plants to support our environment, native birds and animals.

Council looks forward to the transformation of this 48-hectare parcel of land into a premier native reserve, education, recreation and play space for all residents and visitors to enjoy. The entire development is expected to open in mid-2019.

Community grants in Port Ward

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Examples of projects delivered in Port Ward under previous grants include the following.

Koo Wee Rup Ready2Go

Ready2Go is a volunteer-led community resilience program assisting local residents to cope with heatwaves and other extreme weather conditions. The program matches vulnerable community members with volunteers who provide information, support and early relocation away from high-risk areas.

Garfield Christmas Festival

The festival delivered a range of entertainment including live music and dance, face painting, a jumping castle, an animal farm and a visit from Santa. The historic Garfield Picture Theatre was open and local stallholders sold food, produce and products at the festival market.

Applications for the next round of grants will open in March 2019.


Catani tennis and netball courts renewal

The existing Catani tennis and netball courts on Taplins Road are getting a much-needed make over. This renewal project will provide better facilities for the community and competition-standard facilities for the Catani Tennis and Netball Club.

The existing courts do not meet sizing requirements for state and national competitions and are in need of repair. The renewal works include creating two new courts for tennis or netball, and installing lighting, competition surfacing, and fencing. The remaining two courts will be renewed at a later date.

This project is jointly funded by Council and the Victorian Government’s Community Sports Infrastructure Fund.

New footpaths in Port Ward

Council’s 2018–19 footpath program extends the footpath network in and around townships. Footpaths under construction or already completed include:

- Anderson Road, Bunyip – connect the missing link between Mary Street to A’Beckett Road and also along front of the retirement village on A’Beckett Road
- Main Street, Bunyip – a concrete path will replace the gravel path from the Riverside Avenue intersection to the public hall, connecting the town centre and the residential area
- Grange court, Koo Wee Rup – provides a link to the Koo Wee Rup trail.

Cr Brown and Cr Moore lobbed a few balls on the existing courts and agree the much-needed renewal will be fantastic for the community.
New footpaths in Ranges Ward

Council’s 2018–19 footpath program extends the footpath network in and around townships. Footpaths under construction or already completed include:

- Princes Highway, Beaconsfield – provides an important pedestrian link along the highway between Brunt Road and Panorama Avenue
- Tivendale Road, Officer – completes a missing link for schools and residents between existing paths
- Kennilworth Avenue, Beaconsfield – provides a path between the train station and the bus stop
- O’Neil Road, Beaconsfield – completes the path to Timberside Drive
- Gembrook Road and Redwood Road, Gembrook – forms a circuit around these roads and Main Street, also linking to Gembrook Park and connecting properly to the Gembrook Community Centre.

Worrell Reserve upgrade underway

Oval resurfacing, drainage and irrigation works at Worrell Reserve have kicked off, and the consultation and design process for a new pavilion is underway. The new pavilion will provide modern change room facilities, universally accessible amenities, storage areas, gym upgrades, and a social multi-purpose room with kitchen and servery. Spectators will also benefit from a new covered viewing area.

Council thanks the local community and businesses for their patience and understanding with the reduced car parking while we upgrade this community facility.


Bringing Officer Town Centre to life

The Officer Precinct Structure Plan (PSP) will deliver residential and employment opportunities for our growing community. Siding Avenue will become a thriving main street, with retail, commercial and community facilities. Overall, the Officer PSP will accommodate 35,000 people and 5,800 jobs.

Council is working with the Victorian Planning Authority to review community feedback on parts of the PSP (adopted in 2011) that relate to the town centre. The review will simplify planning requirements and balance the need for a quality public realm with the need to develop the area.

Once amended planning controls are in place, Council will look forward to seeing increased investment into Officer Town Centre. A growing residential and commercial footprint will provide much-needed facilities for the growing community.

Follow the link on our website to the VPA website for detailed information.

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Kurth Kiln Heritage Festival

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Cockatoo Sings Community Choir

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Applications for the next round of grants will open in March 2019.


Beaconsfield Community Complex goes solar

A 37kW solar electricity system has been installed at Beaconsfield Community complex.

The system will save approximately $7,000 per year in energy costs and reduce emissions by approximately 52 tonnes of carbon dioxide per year – equal to the emissions of 13 average cars. These savings will benefit the community centre, Beaconsfield Kindergarten and Council.

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‘Stepping up’ for Rix Road

Residents, and in particular the staff and students of Officer school precinct, have a safer and easier walking path now that Council has installed a temporary footpath and footbridge on Rix Road. The temporary fix was made possible with rock from a local quarry and recycled bridge materials.

While development continues on Rix Road a permanent concrete path is not possible, but the temporary path has enabled Council to respond to residents’ concerns and improve safety for pedestrians with a cost-effective solution in the meantime.

A permanent concrete footpath can be constructed after nearby development works are completed.

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Australia Day in Cardinia Shire
Join us for a celebration of Australian community spirit!

Australia Day Awards ceremony and celebration
Cardinia Cultural Centre
Saturday 26 January
11am–3pm
Lakeside Boulevard, Pakenham

Awards will be presented for:
• Citizen of the Year
• Senior Citizen of the Year
• Young Citizen of the Year
• Event of the Year

Council will proudly announce our shire’s award nominees and winners. We will also welcome Cardinia Shire’s newest citizens in our biggest citizenship ceremony of the year.

A free family fun day will follow the awards and ceremony, with lots of activities and food to enjoy.

Australia Day events around the shire

Beaconsfield Australia Day picnic and movie night
4.30–10.30pm
Holm Park Recreation Reserve, Beaconsfield–Emerald Rd

Bunyip Australia Day awards and breakfast
9.30–11.30am
Bunyip Hall, 38 Main Street

Cockatoo Australia Day awards and breakfast
7.30–10.30am
Alma Treloar Reserve, Pakenham Road

Koo Wee Rup Australia Day awards
8.15–10am
Koo Wee Rup Community Centre, Cochrane Park

Lang Lang Australia Day ceremony
9–11.30am
Lang Lang Hall, Corner McDonalds Track and Westerport Road


Your guide to:

> What goes in each bin
> Finding out your bin day
> Hard waste
> Green waste
What can go in each bin?

**Rubbish (landfill) bin**
- Smaller bin with darker green or red lid
- Acceptable: Broken ceramics and glass, Nappies and tissues, Polystyrene, Food scraps
- No: E-waste, Batteries, Garden and lawn clippings

**Green (garden) waste bin**
- Acceptable: Lawn clippings and weeds, Twigs and small branches, Leaves and flowers
- No: Soil, stones or dirt, Green waste in plastic bags, Branches larger than 75mm in diameter

**Recycling bin**
- Acceptable: Glass bottles and jars, Paper and cardboard, Plastic bottles, containers and toys, Cans, foil and foil trays, Flexible plastics (must be clean and bagged)
- No: Polystyrene, Food, Recyclables in plastic bags (except bagged flexible plastics)

**Get a rebate**

**Order a green waste bin online**

**Free green waste drop-off**
Green waste drop-off events enable residents to drop off residential garden waste for free at local transfer stations on selected dates. For more information on the 2019 events visit [www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/greenwastedropoff](http://www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/greenwastedropoff)

Did you know?
Check your waste collection days

How to put your bin out

Put bins out the night before collection, and take back in within 24 hours of collection. Leave 50cm between bins and other obstacles.

Don’t overfill your bin

The lid must close and bins must weigh less than 70kg. Ratepayers can order additional bins for an annual charge online at www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/orderabin.

Did you know?

On average 34% of the rubbish sent to landfill in Cardinia Shire is organic (food and garden) waste. When this waste goes to landfill, it decomposes unhealthily, and creates gases that can harm our environment. Keep organics out of landfill by composting and using our garden waste services.
Choose reusable

Single-use plastic items are often used for only a few minutes, before being thrown away. They can take thousands of years to breakdown and, if littered, pose a threat to wildlife and the environment. Your small changes every day can make a huge difference.

• Say ‘no straw’ when ordering drinks
• Bring a reusable coffee cup or eat in at cafes
• Carry a reusable bag
• Bring a reusable cutlery set

Recycle more

Find out where you can recycle more products at Planet Ark’s Recycling Near You website www.recyclingnearyou.com.au

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Customers who are deaf or have a hearing or speech impairment can contact Council through the National Relay Service (NRS):
TTY users, phone 133 677 then ask for 1300 787 624.
Speak and Listen (speech-to-speech relay) users, phone 1300 555 727 then ask for 1300 787 624.
If you need an interpreter, phone the Translator Interpretation Service on 131 450.

Residential green and hard waste collection

Two hard and green waste kerbside collections are provided each year to help you dispose of bulky waste. To find out more visit www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/hardwaste

E-waste ban coming soon

E-waste is any item that has a plug, battery or cord at the end of its useful life.

From 1 July 2019, e-waste will no longer be accepted in landfill in Victoria. E-waste can be recycled through the hard waste collection or at drop-off locations. For more information on e-waste and where you can take it, visit Sustainability Victoria’s www.ewaste.vic.gov.au

Want more info on recycling?

Go to www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/recycling

The service information in this leaflet applies to Cardinia Shire Council’s waste services, provided to residential ratepayers. If you live outside the shire, or utilise private waste collections, information should be sought from your waste service provider.