



Photo: Community Garden at the Main Outfall Sewer (MOS) Reserve

## Local community at work

This Autumn, the Williams Landing Residents Association along with other dedicated locals have been busy building garden beds and planting seedlings to trial a Community Garden at the Main Outfall Sewer (MOS) Reserve.

The project initiated by the community group, with support from Council as part of the Greening the Pipeline project, aims

to encourage social interaction, participation and bring in a sense of pride in their community.

Greening the Pipeline project is a joint initiative by Wyndham City, VicRoads, Melbourne Water and City West Water that aims to transform the MOS Reserve into a linear parkland. As part of this project, 19,570 trees will also be planted during Autumn in the MOS Reserve.

If you would like to participate in Community Tree Planting days, get involved in the Williams Landing Community Garden or find out more about Greening the Pipeline, visit their website at [www.greeningthepipeline.com.au](http://www.greeningthepipeline.com.au)

## Connecting the heart of Point Cook

Did you visit the Point Cook Pop Up Park? It was wonderful to see so many residents get involved in the program with free outdoor cinema, cultural celebrations and activities during the Autumn months.

Led by the Point Cook Action Group and passionate locals, with support from Council and Stockland Point Cook, it was a great example of residents, local government and private businesses coming together to create something truly special, where we could come together as a community.



Photo: Point Cook Pop Up Park

## Message from YOUR HARRISON COUNCILLORS

We, your Harrison Ward Councillors, have been busy over the past few months.

One of our most important initiatives of the year is the Draft Budget. This is currently on exhibition, and we invite all residents to have a read and get back to us with feedback by 15 May 2018.

In other news, the Western Roads Upgrades - the State Government's \$1.8 billion investment in upgrading and widening some of our most congested roads - is underway.

The bulk of these roads fall in Harrison Ward, so we're excited for the end result.

We will, however, continue to advocate to the State Government for more investment in transport, schools and infrastructure for our growing community.

We also welcome Victoria Police's allocation of 18 new police officers to our division, plus crime investigation officers to the Westgate Division. This is a positive move for the region.

However, it is important to note that police is just one aspect of the justice system, and we will continue to advocate for the new justice precinct which will provide a wholistic approach incorporating all services.

As always, we welcome feedback from our residents on any issues they may have.

Regards, Harrison Ward Councillors.



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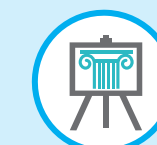
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## Williams Landing Reserve Kicks Off



Whether it's for kicking a ball with mates, flying a kite, or just walking around, residents will soon have a new open space where they can enjoy healthy activities with the opening of the Williams Landing Reserve.

The Reserve will include two flexible ovals, six tennis courts, a children's playground, a basketball half-court and cricket nets.

Council worked in partnership with local residents to form the Williams Landing Soccer Club and they are currently developing junior and masters teams. Interested players are welcome to register.

Council will also be forming a tennis club to play at this ground so if you are interested in getting involved or have any questions about the reserve, contact Council's Inclusion and Participation Officer.  
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## Harrison ward

Harrison Ward includes industrial precincts in Laverton and Laverton North, Point Cook, Truganina, Williams Landing and some parts of Hoppers Crossing.

The estimated population was 90,812 residents as of August 2016.

Harrison is the most culturally diverse ward in Wyndham. The Top 5 countries of birth other than Australia were India, China, New Zealand, the Philippines and England. Mandarin is the most commonly spoken language other than English.

# YOUR LOCAL YOUTH SERVICES



Community spaces for young people to come together provide opportunities for mutual support, shared learning and engagement.

Wyndham City's Youth Services provides young people aged 12-25 years who live, work, study or recreate in Wyndham access to a variety of programs and activities. Given our community's continued growth, a permanent Youth Services site was built in Point Cook in 2015.

Youth Development Officers at this site run the Drop-In Youth Lounge which has an internet café and a large youth space that can hold up to 100 young people. A monthly average of 250 young people use this space and drop in after school or during their free periods in addition to those who attend the other programs.



The site also has counselling rooms and office space where agencies such as WestJustice can come and provide one on one sessions in a safe youth-friendly environment.

The Youth Services team also visit local schools to provide personal development programs and small group sessions such as 'Healthy Minds', a mental health workshop for Year 9 students; and visits places such as local basketball courts or parks, shopping centres and other place where young people usually hangout to engage with them.

Over the past months, the team has organised and supported many events which includes a moonlight cinema and the '3 on 3 Basketball competition' in collaboration with local businesses.

#### Youth Services @ Point Cook:

Level 1, Suite 703 Main St, Point Cook  
[www.wyndham.vic.gov.au](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au)  
[facebook.com/youthinwyndham](https://facebook.com/youthinwyndham)  
[Instagram.com/youthinwyndham](https://instagram.com/youthinwyndham)



# Capital Works Project Update

Harrison Ward residents will continue to benefit from a number of road and infrastructure projects that are underway across the Ward.

#### WORKS UNDERWAY FOR:

- Williams Landing Reserve Pavilion ovals, tennis courts and landscape, Williams Landing
- Point Cook Community Learning Centre Upgrade
- LED Lighting Upgrade – Hogans Road Oval 1
- Mainview Boulevard Ovals and Landscape

#### RECENTLY COMPLETED:

- Bellbridge Drive Park, Hoppers Crossing
- Saltwater Soccer Sports Lighting, Point Cook

#### PLANNING AND DESIGN STAGE FOR:

- Dunnings Road Reserve Pavilion – extensions and alterations
- Featherbrook Reserve Pavilion – extensions and alterations
- Truganina Integrated Family Learning Centre
- Forsyth Road, Williams Landing (Waterways Blvd to Old Geelong Road)
- Reconstruction of Hilden Close, Hoppers Crossing and Kiah Drive, Point Cook
- Lawrie Emmins Reserve Motocross Track
- Lawrie Emmins Reserve Master Plan Revision
- Allbright & Westbrook Estates Active Open Space Master Plan
- Emerald Park & Rothwell Estates Active Open Space Master Plan

#### FOOTPATHS ARE ALSO BEING CONSTRUCTED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

- Toritta Way, Truganina
- Fantail Crescent, Williams Landing
- Bolger Crescent, Hoppers Crossing
- Pram crossing in Pangana Drive, Truganina

#### CONSTRUCTION STARTS FOR STATE GOVERNMENT FUNDED PROJECTS AS PART OF \$1.8 BILLION WESTERN ROADS UPGRADE PROGRAM:

- Dunnings Road and Palmers Road, Point Cook (Point Cook Road to Princes Freeway) – Mid 2018
- Palmers Road, Truganina (Princes Freeway to Western Freeway) – Late 2018
- Leakes Road, Truganina (Fitzgerald Road to Derrimut Road) – Mid 2018
- Dohertys Road, Laverton North (Fitzgerald Road to Grieve Parade) – Mid 2018
- Dohertys Road, Truganina (Foundation to Palmers Road) – Mid 2018
- Forsyth Road interchange, Hoppers Crossing – Early 2019

While these projects are in progress, there are other projects in the pipeline for Harrison Ward which are currently in the planning and design phase.

Council will continue to work with VicRoads and advocate to the State Government for funding of Sneydes Road, Point Cook Road and Sayers Road and other road infrastructure projects that are very important to our growing community.

Council has been working proactively with Powercor and VicRoads on programming and signals commissioning to ensure new lights within Harrison Ward and across Wyndham can be activated as soon as practicable.



## Keeping Wyndham kids safe

Wyndham City has partnered with Kidsafe Victoria to keep local children safe and increase community awareness about unintentional childhood injuries through a range of programs and activities across a 12-month period.

Last year, the 'Do Not Leave Children in Cars' campaign was launched reminding parents not to leave their kids unattended in cars, while the Driveway Safety Campaign in March aimed to remind everyone about making their driveways kid safe to prevent driveway incidents.

This June, the focus is on child restraints. Correctly fitted and used child restraints and booster seats play an important part in protecting children from serious injury and death in the event of a crash. A child restraint checking session will be held at Arndell Park Community Centre on 20 June 2018. There will also be a campaign focused on pool safety later in the year.



[www.kidsafevic.com.au](http://www.kidsafevic.com.au)

## Give Happy, Live Happy

Have you thought of becoming a volunteer? Volunteering is a fun and an easy way to explore your interests and passions.

Apart from making a difference in your community, it also provides personal benefits such as gaining new skills and experience, developing confidence, and making new friendships and professional networks!

We are fortunate to have hundreds of service clubs and organisations that provide volunteering opportunities to our residents and serve our community for many years and you can also become one! [www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/volunteerdirectory](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/volunteerdirectory)



## 1000 BOOKS BEFORE SCHOOL

Did you know that reading together is the best way to encourage a love of books in your child?

Register for 1000 Books Before School at your local library branch to receive your first reading record and start your child on their journey of a lifelong love of reading and learning.

[www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/libraries](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/libraries)  
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## BUSINESS AS USUAL AT POINT COOK LIBRARY

Renovations are still underway for the Point Cook Community Centre which is due to be completed later this year. However, the Library is open and we invite you to visit and check the programs currently on offer.

To keep up to date on any changes at Point Cook Library, join our mailing list [ptcooklibrary@wyndham.vic.gov.au](mailto:ptcooklibrary@wyndham.vic.gov.au) 9395 7966