YOUR HARRISON NEWSLETTER

This newsletter provides you with updates relating to your ward and the key projects Ward Councillors are involved in.

# Your 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.

# Upgraded Point Cook Community Learning Centre

The new creative artwork on the exterior of Point Cook Community Learning Centre is on show and wow it is colourful. The art work is called ‘Migration’ and was created by an artist following consultation with Point Cook residents. It brings the Centre to life and is a show piece for the Town Centre.

Construction is nearing completion at the Point Cook Community Learning Centre, with the library now complete and open with work underway on those final touches inside the community centre.

# Neighbourhood Character Zoning

A new strategy that will guide the future of housing development in Wyndham and provide residents with more certainty has been formally adopted by Council.

The Wyndham Housing and Neighbourhood Character Strategy introduces new zones for housing development and provides a 20-year plan that provides guidance on neighbourhood character.

The Strategy was adopted at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 7 August 2018 and Wyndham City’s Urban Futures portfolio holder, Cr Intaj Khan, said the community had helped with its development.

The Strategy seeks to apply three new residential zones to land as a way of directing housing growth and to ensure that development occurs in appropriate locations and provides guidance on housing diversity. These zones also outline where development can better achieve neighbourhood character objectives.

Council will now seek an amendment to the Wyndham Planning Scheme to implement the Strategy, with further community consultation expected to take place soon.

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# Help shape Wyndham 2019/20

If you’d like to get involved in planning for the 2019/20 Wyndham Integrated Plan and Budget, now’s the time!

Community Conversations with your local Ward Councillors will be taking place over the coming months, giving residents the opportunity to contribute their thoughts and feedback, and to get an insight into the planning process.

Harrison Ward: Monday 10 December, 6pm – 8pm, Saltwater Community Centre, 153 Saltwater Promenade, Point Cook

For more information visit: [wwwtheloop.wyndham.vic.gov.au](https://theloop.wyndham.vic.gov.au)

# We want your feedback…

Did you know that Wyndham City Council conducts an Annual Customer Satisfaction survey every year?

A representative from Metropolis Research who conducts the survey on our behalf will be randomly selecting residents to complete the survey. Don’t be surprised if you hear a knock at the door and you are asked to participate. The information collected is important, and assists Council to improve our services, to meet the needs and expectations of our growing community.

# Capital Works Update

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

Works are underway for:

* Forsyth Road, Williams Landing widening and upgrade
* Williams Landing Reserve Pavilion and car park
* Dunnings Road, Point Cook Sports Reserve sporting facilities upgrade
* Mainview Boulevard Ovals and landscaping
* Featherbrook Sports Pavilion, Point Cook - extensions and alterations

Recently completed:

* Bellbridge Drive Park, Hoppers Crossing
* Saltwater Soccer Sports Lighting, Point Cook
* Birchwood Boulevard, Hoppers Crossing – asphalt resurfacing
* Hilden Close, Hoppers Crossing road resurfacing
* Kiah Drive, Point Cook road resurfacing

Planning is underway for:

* Dunnings Road and Lennon Boulevard, Point Cook traffic signals
* Boardwalk Boulevard and Miles Franklin Boulevard, Point Cook traffic signals
* Point Cook Skate Park expansion
* Upper Point Cook Sports Reserve and landscaping
* Jamieson Way Reserve, Point Cook - master plan
* Dunnings Road Sports Pavilion, Point Cook upgrade
* Truganina Integrated Family Learning Centre
* Lawrie Emmins Reserve Motocross Track redevelopment

Footpaths are also being constructed at the following locations:

* Maple Crescent, Hoppers Crossing
* Fernwood Drive, Hoppers Crossing

**Western Roads Upgrade**

Construction has begun on the Western Roads Upgrade program, a $1.8 billion State Government project that will see eight of Wyndham’s busiest roads upgraded or widened, including:

* **Dunnings Road and Palmers Road, Point Cook** (Point Cook Road to Princes Freeway) – works have commenced
* **Palmers Road, Truganina** (Princes Freeway to Western Freeway) – works commencing late 2018
* **Leakes Road, Truganina** (Fitzgerald Road to Derrimut Road) – works have commenced
* **Dohertys Road, Laverton North** (Fitzgerald Road to Grieve Parade) – works have commenced
* **Dohertys Road, Truganina** (Foundation to Palmers Road) – works have commenced
* **Forsyth Road interchange, Hoppers Crossing** – works commencing early 2019

For further information contact the State Government’s Major Roads Projects Authority

P: 1800 105 105

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W: [www.roadprojects.vic.gov.au](http://www.roadprojects.vic.gov.au)

# Wyndham Parks 2021

The Wyndham Parks 2021 Project aims to make parks more accessible, safer, comfortable and welcoming to everyone. The $3.2 million project will upgrade more than 50 local parks throughout Wyndham each year. Works to date have included planting of over 10,000 plants and 1000 trees, 61 new benches, 15 power boxes decoratively painted and 15 new drinking fountains plus many upgrades to playgrounds and play areas. The following parks in Harrison ward will be upgraded with works starting later this year:

* Friar Park Place Recreation Reserve, Point Cook
* Half Moon Terrace Recreational Reserve, Point Cook
* Lennon Boulevard Recreational Reserve, Point Cook
* Lewiston Drive Recreational Reserve, Point Cook
* Lincolnheath Boulevard Recreational Reserve, Point Cook
* Mickleton Grove Recreational Reserve, Point Cook
* Miles Franklin Recreational Reserve, Point Cook
* Oysterbay Chase Recreational Reserve, Point Cook
* Palmtree Place Recreational Reserve, Point Cook
* Penton Way Recreational Reserve, Point Cook
* Pepperjack Way Recreational Reserve, Point Cook
* Ramson Way Recreational Reserve, Point Cook
* Richardson Parkway Recreational Reserve, Point Cook
* Silverbay Avenue Recreational Reserve, Point Cook
* The Crescent Recreational Reserve, Point Cook
* Yuruga Boulevard Recreational Reserve, Point Cook
* Rowland Drive Point Cook (Neptune Drive Recreational Reserve), Point Cook
* Cuthbert Avenue Reserve, Truganina
* Savanna Parade Recreational Reserve, Truganina
* Parklea way recreational Reserve, Truganina
* Penshurst Avenue Recreational Reserve, Williams Landing

Improvements may include: upgraded signage, pathways and fences, trees and garden beds, new seating, improved picnic amenities, additional bins and drinking fountains.

For more information visit:

[www.wyndham.vic.gov.au](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au)

**Lots to do in Harrison Ward’s Community Centres**

Harrison Ward’s Community Centres have a variety of programs and activities that cater to people of all ages. From art classes to fitness programs, book clubs and computer classes – there is something for everyone.

Visit your local community centre to find out what programs are on offer:

**Arndell Park Community Centre**

29-49 Federation Boulevard, Truganina

**Central Park Community Centre**

80 Lonsdale Circuit, Hoppers Crossing

**Featherbrook Community Centre**

33-35 Windorah Drive, Point Cook

**Jamieson Way Community Centre**

59 Jamieson Way, Point Cook

**Point Cook Community Learning Centre**

1-21 Cheetham Street, Point Cook

**Saltwater Community Centre**

153 Saltwater Promenade, Point Cook

**Schools4Wyndham**

The Schools4Wyndham campaign is gaining momentum. Wyndham’s population is booming, however the State Government isn’t building schools quickly enough.

We need new primary and secondary schools to be funded and constructed as a matter of urgency. Let's give our schoolkids the best chance to thrive.

Wyndham needs five new primary schools and one new secondary school by 2023. That’s why we will continue to advocate to the State Government.

For updates, find out how your suburb compares with the rest of Melbourne and how you can join the campaign:

<https://schools4wyndham.org.au>

**Clay Creative - Saltwater Arts Studio**

Saltwater has a dedicated Kiln that can be used to fire individual pottery pieces and is available for schools and the community to hire. Saltwater Community Centre has become known for its’ Arts programs and Community Kiln.

Get your creativity flowing and do a ‘hand building with clay’ class. This class is ideal to learn to experiment with form, texture, colour and uses the fundamental hand building techniques of pinch pot making, coiling and slab work.

<https://www.saltwaterartstudio.net/>

**New Seniors Exercise Park**

The new “Seniors” exercise park in Lonsdale Circuit, Hoppers Crossing is Wyndham City’s first ever! Featuring state of the art equipment, Council has delivered this exciting project in partnership with the National Ageing Research Institute (NARI) and with funding support from Gandel Philanthrophy.

The Seniors exercise park is co-located with a children’s playground, so grandparents can exercise while ‘playing’ together with their grandchildren. A fun way to enjoy the outdoors, improve physical fitness and social interaction.

# Message from Your Harrison Councillors

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

The Western Roads Upgrades – the State Government’s investment in upgrading and widening some of our most congested roads is underway. The majority of these roads are in Harrison Ward, so when completed the benefits will include shorter travel times.

Over the coming months you’ll hear us lending our voice to Wyndham’s advocacy. We will also be encouraging all major parties to commit to more funding for early education and specialist support services for children, community learning for adults, and formal training in early years education and care. With the recent sod turning of the Truganina East Integrated Family Learning Centre co-located with the Truganina East P-9 School, this is a model we’d like to see continued regardless of who is elected at the State Election.

With Spring, upon us, the warmer weather will encourage residents to utilise their local parks. Take advantage of the all the Park upgrades in Harrison and enjoy!

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