

# News from our Neighbourhood

## November 2024

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## Thank you for re-electing me as your Griffin Ward councillor

It's an honour to represent the people of Griffin once again and I am excited by the opportunities ahead of us.

I'm ready to get straight back into working and advocating for these key interests in the community:

- The environment and the greening of our streets, parks and gardens.
- Planning decisions that create good outcomes for our long-term future.
- Community connection and participation through groups and clubs.
- Supporting our villages and activity centres with upgrades, events and beautification projects.

Over the election period I had many great conversations with residents and businesses that will help inform priorities and new ideas that need to be explored.

I'm looking forward to getting out and about over the longer days of summer and experiencing all the facilities and events our area offers.

There are festive season celebrations, Boulevard Lights (18 to 24 December) and welcoming in the new year.

I hope to meet with many of you over the next four years to hear about your hopes and ideas for our area.



## Role of a councillor

I was elected by Griffin Ward voters, but I make decisions for the whole of the municipality, like all Banyule councillors.

It's our job to help make policy decisions, set the strategic direction for Council and make sure that Council services meet the community's needs.

## Get in touch

I'm here to help you. Get in touch if you'd like to chat about any concerns in our area, such as planning, roads or community facilities.

## Next Council meeting

Banyule Council meetings are open to the public. Find out more at [banyule.vic.gov.au/CouncilMeetings](https://banyule.vic.gov.au/CouncilMeetings)

 **9 December**

 **7pm**

 **Council Chambers at ILCH,  
275 Upper Heidelberg  
Road, Ivanhoe**



## Your new Council

**L-R: Olympia Ward** Cr Mary O'Kane  
**Beale Ward** Cr Elizabeth Nealy\*, Mayor  
**Bakewell Ward** Cr Mark Di Pasquale\*  
**Grimshaw Ward** Cr Rick Garotti\*  
**Sherbourne Ward** Cr Alison Champion\*  
**Griffin Ward** Cr Peter Castaldo\*, Deputy Mayor  
**Ibbott Ward** Cr Alicia Curry  
**Chelsworth Ward** Cr Alida McKern\*  
**Hawdon Ward** Cr Matt Wood

\* re-elected



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