

# **News from our** Neighbourhood

# February 2025

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## **Watsonia Town Square update**

Work on the Town Square is coming along, with play spaces, seating and landscaping on the way this year.

The main construction focus now is the area next to the library, which will be transformed with a play space, seating and an accessible toilet block.

Landscaping on the Morwell Avenue side of Watsonia Road is getting closer to completion. Work is underway on paved walkways, seating, a water garden for drainage, a climbing wall and more.

#### **Parking**

The south car park section next to the existing toilet block (closest to Rex Paine Timber) is temporarily unavailable while we finish this stage of the Town Square.

It will re-open later this year.

When the Town Square is finished there will be 33 parking spaces in the area around the library.

This includes the upgraded south car park and new spaces to be created on Watsonia Road and Ibbotson Street.



Above: Watsonia Road crossing completed.

Below: New seating in progress.



Find out more or sign up for updates at:

shaping.banyule.vic.gov.au/ **WatsoniaTownSquare** 



# Nominate a local treasure

Do you know a Banyule volunteer who's doing great things in our community?

We're calling for nominations for the 2025 Banyule Volunteer Awards. Nominations are open now and close on 23 March.

Nominate a volunteer:

- banyule.vic.gov.au/VolunteerAwards
- phone **9457 9955**
- email volawards@banyule.vic.gov.au

### **Check out Watsonia Library**

Watsonia Library remains open during their usual hours while we build Watsonia Town Square.

The return chute is available 24/7.

Park in Morwell Avenue or Ibbottson Street while construction is underway.

Visit yprl.vic.gov.au or phone Watsonia Library on 9435 2397.

#### **Get in touch**

Please get in touch if you'd like to chat about any concerns in our area, such as planning or community facilities.

# **Next Council meeting**

Banyule Council meetings are open to the public.

Find out more at banvule.vic. gov.au/CouncilMeetings

3 March

7pm

Council Chambers at ILCH, 275 Upper Heidelberg Road, Ivanhoe



# **Watsonia Primary School Open Day and Fair** Saturday 22 March, 10am - 2pm

Congratulations to Watsonia Primary on 65 years of education!

A lot has changed in the neighbourhood since then - Greensborough Plaza was still just a plan, and WaterMarc was not even dreamt of.

Join in a fun day of celebration at the school, with rides, food and more.