

News from our Neighbourhood

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Sherbourne capital works update

We are closing out the year with some important improvements in Sherbourne.

Montmorency North Oval

Work has begun on the pavilion at Montmorency North Oval, where we are building female-friendly changerooms for players and umpires, as well as new storage space.

These improvements encourage participation and make community sport accessible, safe and enjoyable for everyone. The works are jointly funded by the Victorian Government and Council.

Montmorency Football and Netball Club, Montmorency Junior Football and Netball Club and Montmorency Cricket Club (juniors and seniors) are based at Montmorency North Oval. Did you know, both clubs were established more than 100 years ago? It's fantastic to see them still going strong and contributing to community life in Monty.

Shared-use path trail

Work is set to begin on a shared walking and bike path along Fitzsimons Lane in Lower Plenty.

The 3m-wide path from Rosehill Road to Old Eltham Road will link to Main Road and Bolton Street north.

Promoting active modes of transport is a key part of Council's transport strategy. Links like this create safe networks for walking and bike riding for fun, fitness and commuting.

Old Eltham Road footpath

I am delighted to see a concrete footpath being built along Old Eltham Road in Lower Plenty, all the way from Edwards Street to Main Road (pictured below).

This is a popular area for walking and will make it safe and accessible year-round, particularly for families walking to and from Lower Plenty Primary School.



Best Biz Awards

Banyule's BestBiz Awards recognise businesses that deliver outstanding products and services for our community. Votes come direct from the community, meaning winners are chosen by their customers, the people who matter most. I'm pictured above with three Sherbourne winners:

- Jordan from **New Neighbour Coffee** in Montmorency (Hospitality trophy)
- Simone from **Tiny Champs** kids sports coaching (Community Impact winner)
- Marlena from **Play Health & Fitness**, Lower Plenty (Home-Based Business award)

See all BestBiz winners at banyulebusiness.com.au

Free family summer fun

Kicking off with Carols by Candlelight on 13 December, Council's season of free, family-friendly events continues throughout summer and autumn.

There's outdoor movies (18 January and 1 February), Sunset Pride Party (6 February), Twilight Sounds music festival (14 February) and Eco Festival (15 March).

Check out the What's On pages on Council's website for many more free and low-cost activities for all interests, ages and abilities.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a very happy and safe festive season.

It's my honour to serve as your Mayor for the next year and I hope to see you out and about in Banyule soon!

