

News from our Neighbourhood

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- Help us get trucks banned from local roads
- Sign the truck ban petition (over page)
- Banyule's 2026/27 Budget



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banyule.vic.gov.au/TruckBan

Help get trucks off local roads

We need your support for a 24-hour truck ban on local roads including Rosanna Road, Lower Plenty Road and Greensborough Road.

When the North East Link opens, it is supposed to take 15,000 trucks per day off local streets. Without the right controls, there's no guarantee that will happen.

Heavy vehicles should be required to use North East Link once it opens. There must also be adequate technology and resources to enforce the ban. Trucks delivering or working locally, like garbage trucks, wouldn't be included in the ban.

We're doing all we can as a Council to get the Victorian Government to commit to a permanent truck ban on our local roads.

Banning heavy vehicles would mean safer streets, quieter neighbourhoods and cleaner air for Banyule residents.

Budget 2026/27: Delivering for our community

I'm pleased that Banyule is in a strong financial position with our Budget for 2026/27. Council is focusing on maintaining services and upgrading and providing facilities to meet community need. Nearly 90% of the capital works budget is going to maintain and upgrade our existing assets.

We are continuing to offer rate relief for ratepayers who need support. People experiencing financial hardship may be eligible for assistance:

banyule.vic.gov.au/HardshipPolicy
or phone 9490 4222.

There are a lot of upgrades and improvements coming to our neighbourhood over the next 12 months, including:

- New pedestrian crossing and safety upgrades at Yallambie Road, near Binowee Avenue, \$90,000
- Upgrade for Mercedes Court Reserve Playground, \$220,000
- Footpath replacement, including along Bannockburn Rd, \$40,000
- Ironbark Street road rehabilitation, \$59,000
- Design work to renew the Henty Bridge, \$50,000

Truck ban – what you can do

Sign the petition

A petition will be presented to the Victorian Government in September.

Show your support by signing the petition today.

- QR code and petition details are over the page.

Write to your local MP

Visit banyule.vic.gov.au/TruckBan for who to write to.

How to get in touch with me

You are welcome to email or call me anytime.

My contact details are in the yellow section at the top of the page.

Alternatively, you can connect with me on Facebook – just scan the QR code below.

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Banyule's ready for commitments on projects, partnerships and changes our community needs.



With the state election coming in November 2026, we're making Banyule's priorities known to candidates to secure vital funding and policy changes.



Find out more about these priorities and see what political parties or candidates have made relevant commitments for our community at banyule.vic.gov.au/ready or by scanning the code.



Heidelberg West Community Services Hub

A funding partnership to establish a Community Services Hub in Heidelberg West.



Quality housing with local input

Restore local voices in local town planning decisions, while achieving good design outcomes and protecting and increasing tree canopy.



Outreach program for people sleeping rough

Ongoing funding to allow Council to better support people sleeping rough.



Watsonia Station accessibility

Upgrade and modernise Watsonia Station by raising it to integrate with the shopping precinct and making it more accessible.



Civic Drive roundabout

A safety solution for Melbourne's most dangerous roundabout, the notorious Civic Drive roundabout on the Greensborough Bypass.



24-hour truck ban

A 24/7 ban for trucks on local roads to make sure they use the North East Link when it opens (excluding local delivery trucks and vehicles that can't use tunnels).



Ivanhoe Aquatic Centre

A funding partnership to help upgrade and fully electrify the building with new pools, expanded gym, program rooms and more.

Support the community-led petition for a 24/7 truck ban

A parliamentary petition has been created by the local community that aligns with Council's advocacy position calling for an extension of the existing north-east truck restrictions to a 24/7 ban with the installation of technology to enforce the ban.

You can view the petition and show your support at parliament.vic.gov.au/get-involved/petitions/856

Petition closes on Monday 31 August.

