

BIG PROJECTS ERA FOR MOORABOOL



Bacchus Marsh indoor stadium

Close to \$57 million of capital improvement works highlight Council's 2023/24 Budget, approved at a Special Meeting of Council in May.

Moorabool Mayor Cr Rod Ward said Council's capital program had been developed to meet community infrastructure needs now and into the future, with significant growth at the forefront of its development.

Council is also positioning itself to partner with and attract more government and non-government services in health and wellbeing, youth and early years to set up in Moorabool so our residents have access to these important community services.

The Capital Improvement Program for 2023/24 is \$56.4 million (including \$15 million in works carried forward from 2022/23). Of this, \$41.59 million relates to new work, \$12.28 million relates to renewal of assets and \$2.54 million is for the upgrade of assets.

Some of the key projects proposed as part of the 2023/24 Capital Program include:

- Bacchus Marsh Racecourse & Recreation Reserve Pavilion (\$6 million)
- Ballan Library and Community Hub (\$5.98 million)
- West Maddingley Early Years Facility (\$5.2 million)
- Bacchus Marsh Bowls Club Pavilion & Bowling Green (\$3.4 million)
- Bald Hill Redevelopment- Stage 3 (\$1.68 million)
- Hogan Road & Densley Street, Ballan- Upgrade (\$1.842 million)
- Ballan-Egerton Road, Mount Egerton- Reconstruction (\$856,000)
- Dunnstown Recreation Reserve- Upgrade to Pavilion (\$813,000)
- Riversdale Crescent, Darley- Reconstruction (\$425,000)
- Eaglesons Road, Lal Lal- Gravel Road Resheet (\$377,000)
- Stanley Street, Gordon- Upgrade (\$325,000)

- Ballan Town Centre Plaza (\$250,000)

"We thank the State Government for their funding contributions to our major projects that have enabled our infrastructure blitz," Cr Ward said.

The Budget can be viewed on our website: moorabool.vic.gov.au/budget

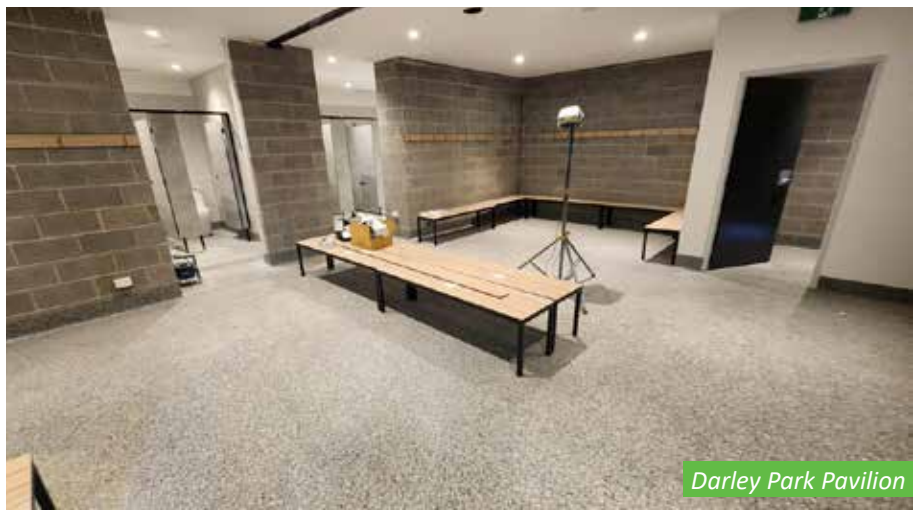


CURRENT PROJECTS IN PROGRESS

Significant work is happening throughout the shire on a lot of major projects: Bacchus Marsh Indoor Stadium is progressing well, and we are nearing completion of both Darley Park pavilion and Ballan Recreation Reserve pavilion. The football and netball clubs at both locations will be using the new changerooms and facilities, which are looking fantastic, in the coming month.

West Maddingley Early Years and Community Hub is starting to take shape. When finished, it will have kindergarten rooms, Maternal and Child Health services and community spaces.

To see the progress of all our major projects, go to moorabool.vic.gov.au/advocacy.



Darley Park Pavilion

Road works blitz continues throughout shire

With Council voting to increase its road maintenance budget by an extra \$600,000 late last year as a response to storm and rain damage, the community would have noticed an increase in works crews on our roads lately. And we’re now seeing some great results with several roads projects nearing completion or just completed.

Gordon

The township of Gordon has several roads projects on the go. Work is nearing completion on Main St, Gordon, with road reconstruction, kerb and channel improvements and new footpaths. Lyndhurst, Gladstone and Stanley streets in Gordon have also received reconstruction, kerb and drainage work.

Fitzroy and Albert streets in Darley have had major improvements with pavement and asphalt works.



Ormond Rd, Springbank

In the west of the shire, we have recently completed a big project on Ormond Rd, Springbank, in which one kilometre of road in two sections was reconstructed, including the intersection of Ronans Road.

Yendon-Egerton Rd, Yendon

In Yendon, we have reconstructed approximately 2.6km of road on Yendon-Egerton Rd, including the two intersections from Lal Lal Creek to east of Spreadeagle Rd.

And in Elaine, about 1.1km of road has been reconstructed on Elaine-Mt Mercer Rd near Bakes Rd.



Steiglitz St, Ballan

Works have recently finished in Steiglitz St, Ballan. This large project included new drainage, kerb and channel work, new paths with pram crossings, line-marking and signage.

The blitz will continue once we hit nicer weather after winter. We thank the community for their understanding with road closures and detours in place while we improve our local road network.

Lerderberg Track

The Lerderberg walking track is taking shape nicely. Topsoil has been placed along the edges of the foot-path along the whole section and work is continuing to finish the project.



What's on in the events, arts and economic development space

It's been a busy few months in the arts and economic development area, and it doesn't look to be slowing anytime soon, which is great for residents as there's plenty to do and see throughout the shire.

In March, Council unveiled two new sculptures at Ballan and Spargo Creek Mineral Springs which the community can now enjoy.

The two sculptures and interpretive signage were commissioned by Council to support Indigenous cultural interpretation of the mineral springs' sites. The sculptures reflect the ecological and cultural values of the mineral springs and the Moorabool River.

Thanks to State Government funding, Council was able to commission cultural consultants MURRI:YUL who created the artworks using locally sourced redgum.

In May, Council held its popular women in Business lunch with keynote speaker Kimberly Furness, founder and editor of OAK Regional Women in Business.

And also in May, we installed new Paste Up Program art throughout the shire.



The five new paste ups build on the five initial artworks installed over summer 2021-22 in the first round of the program.

Following an expression of interest process over February and March 2023, five new artworks have been installed on business walls in Bacchus Marsh, Blackwood, Gordon and Ballan. All five artists selected live in the Central Highlands region, with the program allowing them to share their talent and craft with the local community.

For more information and to view all artworks and their locations go to moorabool.vic.gov.au/PUP

Moorabool Shire Council presents:

Tourism Events Forum

**Monday
5 June 2023**

8:30am-10:30am

Kryal Castle,
121 Forbes Rd,
Leigh Creek VIC 3352

**Be inspired and learn how
and why event attraction will
increase your business's success.
Light breakfast provided.**

The panel includes:

- Joel Chadwick, Sustainable Destination Development Coordinator, Ballarat City Council
- Emma K Harvey, Regional Engagement Grampians, Commonwealth Games
- Bart Hamilton, Chief Executive Officer, Kryal Castle
- Kelly Harrington, Events Operations, KEL&CO

Connect with event industry professionals living and working in the region.

Free Event, All Welcome



Register online by 29 May
Scan QR code to register
For further information contact
PH: 03 5366 7100



Coming up for the team:

Public exhibition for the Draft Economic Development and Visitor Economy Strategies

We are seeking community feedback on two draft strategies: Moorabool Shire 2023-2027 Economic Development and Visitor Economy strategies. We encourage all Shire-based businesses (including tourism), the broader community, and key stakeholders to take part.

The exhibition period will be open until 11 June, on our Have Your Say portal on Council's website.



in Moorabool Shire Council

Regional Arts Victoria is in the neighbourhood! RAV staff will be in residence in Moorabool Shire Council in June. We've partnered with Moorabool Shire Council to bring you three exciting events. Numbers are strictly limited and bookings are essential for all events.

Private Sessions

Reserve a time to chat with us about any creative topic you have on your mind.

Tuesday 20 June: 9.30am – 12.15pm

Wednesday 21 June: 9.15am – 4.15pm

Location: Ballan and District Community House, 143 Inglis Street, Ballan

Creative Funding Forum

Join a funding chat with representatives from FRRR, Creative Victoria and Creative Partnerships Australia.

Tuesday 20 June: 1.30pm – 3.30pm

Location: Ballan and District Community House, 143 Inglis Street, Ballan

Network & Nibbles

Join us to get to know your creative community over drinks and nibbles.

Tuesday 20 June: 3.30pm - 5.30pm

Location: The Ballan Arts Space, 117 B Inglis Street, Ballan

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WEST MADDINGLEY EARLY YEARS & COMMUNITY HUB

(Opening January 2024)
Cnr McCormacks and Gladman Rds,
Maddingley 3340. Under Construction.
Provider TBA.



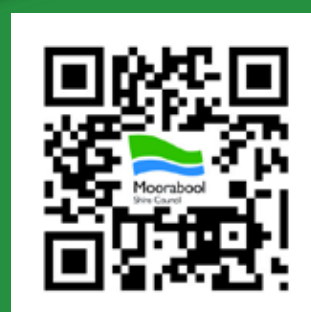
MOORABOOL SHIRE COUNCIL CENTRAL KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION 2024

3YO & 4YO KINDERGARTEN

HOW TO REGISTER FOR KINDERGARTEN ROUND ONE

1. DECIDE WHICH KINDERGARTEN WILL BEST MEET YOUR NEEDS.
2. APPLY THROUGH COUNCIL'S CENTRAL REGISTRATION SYSTEM. ROUND ONE CLOSING FRIDAY 23 JUNE.
3. TELL US YOU WANT TO ACCEPT THE PLACE WHEN RECEIVING YOUR OFFER IN JULY.
4. FORMALLY ENROL WITH YOUR KINDERGARTEN WHEN THEY CONTACT YOU LATER IN THE YEAR.

Many Long Day Care Services in Moorabool also offer funded 3-and 4-year-old kindergarten programs. To enrol or for more information please contact the services directly.



To register or for more information, including *Priority of Access* details visit:
moorabool.vic.gov.au/kindergartens



BE A VOICE FOR GENERATIONS

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2023
27 MAY — 3 JUNE
NRW.RECONCILIATION.ORG.AU

#NRW2023



Singing and Storytelling

Friday 2 June
1pm-2pm
Lerderderg Library

Rebecca Axford is a proud Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung woman who is passionate about sharing her culture and language with children. She will read stories and sing songs in Woi Wurrung, the language of the Wurundjeri people.



Christian White

Saturday 10 June
10am-12noon
Lerderderg Library

Don't miss this opportunity to hear from one of the most exciting voices in Australian crime fiction. Award-winning Australian author of The Nowhere Child, The Wife and the Widow, and Wild Place.

Football in Moorabool: Origins, development & stories

Saturday 1 July
10am-12noon
Lerderderg Library

In this mid-season football special, explore the history of local footy. Trace the ups and downs of local teams and leagues, share some stories, and take a look to the future - where to from here for local football.



For bookings contact:

Ballan Library
143 Inglis Street, Ballan
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Refer to Council’s website for a full list of 2023 Council meeting dates and times:
moorabool.vic.gov.au

Ordinary Meetings of Council to be held at Ballan Council Chambers: (commencing at 6 pm)

DATES	
7 June 2023	1 November 2023
5 July 2023	6 December 2023
2 August 2023	
6 September 2023	
4 October 2023	

Important emergency contact information

Police / CFA / Ambulance	000
SES	132500
Flood and Storm Info Line	1300 842 737
Victorian Bushfire Information Line	1800 240 667
Bacchus Marsh Hospital	5367 2000
Ballan Hospital	5368 1100
Moorabool Shire Council	5366 7100
Emergency after hours animal control	5366 7100 <i>(option 1)</i>
Aged and Disability Services	0409 138 201
For all other emergencies	0419 887 065



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