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## from the Mayor

Council's budget was out for consultation throughout May and is scheduled to be adopted at a Special Council Meeting in June.

The Budget for 2016-2017 stayed within the 2.5 per cent rate cap increase following extensive consultation with a panel of interested residents, an online survey and the annual community survey.

To stay within the rate cap we've made savings across the organisation in the region of \$600,000. This year's draft Budget includes \$18 million of capital works projects including:

- Eltham Leisure Centre aquatics redevelopment \$11,950,000
- Diamond Creek Trail extension \$2,000,000
- Diamond Creek Trail path connection to new footbridge \$250,000
- Plenty Landfill site rehabilitation \$1,745,800
- Eltham North Reserve pavilion works \$800,000
- Edendale Farm site improvements \$500,000
- Community Bank Stadium, Diamond Creek solar panels \$200,000.

The draft budget also includes \$7.5 million on renewal of existing assets including:

- roads \$1,967,000
- bridges \$1,000,000
- footpaths \$815,000.

Our 10 year projections show we can remain financially sustainable in the short-term and stay within the rate cap however in the long-term we will need to ensure continuous improvements to deliver ongoing efficiency and productivity gains. Our sustainability also relies on no more cuts to grants or other cost shifting by State and Commonwealth Governments over the next 10 years.

This year is a revaluation year. Every two years Council is required by law to revalue properties across the Shire. While the average rate increase for the Shire will be 2.5 per cent this is dependent on the value of your property: so for those residents whose homes have increased in value more than the Shire-wide average there will be a rate increase higher than 2.5 per cent. One third of properties will have a decrease in their rates.

This year's Annual Community Survey results are in and the local library, services for children aged 0-5 years, education and learning, weekly green waste collection and environmental programs and facilities are the Council services which you are most satisfied. The full survey results are available on Council's website.

Mayor, Cr Bronnie Hattam



## Green light for trail extension

The project to extend the Diamond Creek Trail to Hurstbridge was given the green light at the April Council meeting.

This means that you will be able to use the trail from Hurstbridge right through to Melbourne's CBD.

Council resolved to extend the Diamond Creek Trail along the creek through to Hurstbridge which will result in approximately 14 hectares of private land being acquired by Council. This acquisition will be done through a planning scheme amendment process which is expected to take between 12 and 18 months and will include community feedback.

In recent months, Council considered a variety of options for the trail extension examining the costs and benefits of each. In late 2015 about 1,200 people responded to a survey confirming a preference (89 per cent) for a trail along the creek rather than along the roadside.

In February 2016, the preferred creek alignment was provided to the community for feedback and nearly 200 submissions were received with 91 per cent supporting the preferred creek alignment for the trail extension.

Based on the concept plans, it is estimated that the total cost of the project including the acquisition of land and construction is around \$11 million (in today's prices) and so this project can only be delivered with the support of external funding.

The Diamond Creek Trail extension project is a high priority for Council as noted in the Nillumbik Trails Strategy 2011. It is also a metropolitan priority and has been included in the Northern Regional Trails Strategy and Park Victoria's Linking People and Places. Based on the current use of the Diamond Creek Trail it has been estimated that there is the potential for a total of 350,000\* users each year once the trail is completed.

The Diamond Creek Trail extension will offer a range of benefits to our local community including health and wellbeing, connecting townships, safe transport to schools and shops and provide opportunities to connect with nature. Local shops, cafes and businesses can expect increased visitors to the area as the trail will offer broader tourism opportunities.

\* Estimated on Bicycle Network Victoria's survey figures

### COVER STORY

# THE ARTISAN HILLS

## A new identity for tourism in Nillumbik

Council has worked collaboratively with the Shire's trader associations and the Nillumbik Tourism Association over the past two years to develop a new strategic framework for the tourism industry in the region.

*The Artisan Hills – Naturally Creative* has been launched after extensive consultation with industry, Council and the general public. The concept brings trader associations and the Nillumbik Tourism Association together to establish a brand to promote the region as a whole.

The benefit of these associations working together as The Artisan Hills is that a unified brand can gain traction, have increased buying power and access to resources. It simply made sense to work together to market the region to locals and visitors.

The concept is supported by a cohesive tourism strategy and marketing plan which has been developed in conjunction with The Artisan Hills Marketing Committee and external tourism marketing specialists.

Part of The Artisan Hills concept has been to identify the uniqueness of the Shire. Identified target markets include

the mature touring sector, families, visiting friends and relatives and people with an interest in environment and nature. These markets are key factors in promoting the new brand.

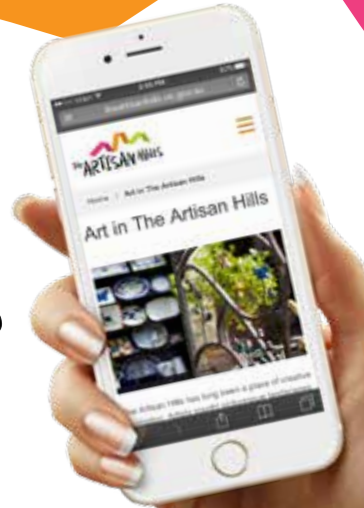
The Artisan Hills brand also includes a new website, Facebook page and related promotional material.

Nillumbik Shire Mayor Councillor Bronnie Hattam said, "The creation of a tourism brand will increase the number of visitors to the region, boost our local economies and generally let people know what a wonderful area we have here in Nillumbik.

"It identifies opportunities for us to work with existing attractions and areas that we can advocate for to increase the profile of our region.

"We now have an action plan for growing the visitor economy in Nillumbik and a brand and marketing actions that will help us get there.

"We know that we have much to offer visitors here in Nillumbik with our beautiful Green Wedge, trails for cycling, walking and horse-riding, local businesses, wineries, restaurants, art studios and galleries and wonderful parks and nature reserves."



Check out the range of things to see and do in The Artisan Hills at [www.theartisanhills.vic.gov.au](http://www.theartisanhills.vic.gov.au)

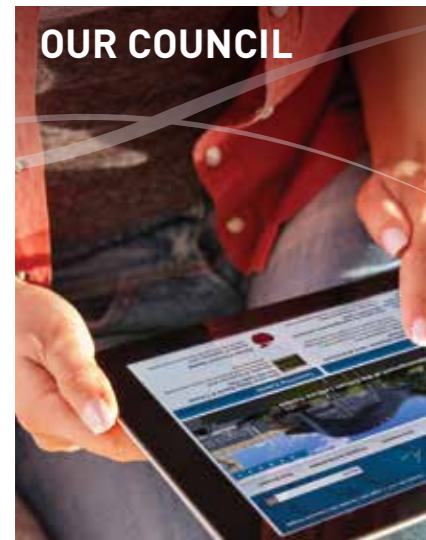
- **family activities**—head out for a day of fun with a host of family-friendly activities on offer
- **restaurants and cafes**—dine on scrumptious food or sip your favourite beverage at one of our restaurants, cafes or bars
- **shopping**—browse our local shops for unique gifts and mementos of your visit
- **boutique wineries**—taste superb wines and meet the winemakers
- **heritage**—unearth stories of pioneers and see historic sites that make up our rich heritage
- **arts**—discover the distinctive arts and culture of The Artisan Hills
- **parks, reserves and trails**—picnic in the park, wander through scenic reserves and walk or ride along our trails network
- **accommodation**—relax at one of our bed and breakfasts, self-contained cottages or motels
- **what's on**—enjoy fantastic events for all ages

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# 2012-2016 - *Our* achievements

The Council Plan is this Council's statement of its priorities for the Nillumbik community during its four year term. Here's just some of what has been achieved in that time.



### OUR COMMUNITY

- Two dedicated off-leash dog parks were constructed at Diamond Creek and Hurstbridge
- Council adopted the four-year Health and Wellbeing Plan 2013-2017
- The Municipal Emergency Management Plan was updated and audited by the SES and we have spent \$600,000 annually on fire prevention works
- Council adopted the Positive Ageing Strategy
- Planning began for the redevelopment of the Diamond Creek Community Centre
- Each year more than 3500 people enrolled in Living & Learning courses, more than 8,000 took part in environmental activities at Edendale and 15,000 people are active users of our libraries
- Council secured an important housing development opportunity at Lot 1, 44 Graysharps Road in Hurstbridge that will result in more diverse, sustainable and accessible housing options being available to Nillumbik residents

### OUR ECONOMY

- Completed the \$3.1 million Eltham Town Square project injecting new life into the town centre and providing more people-friendly green space, better access and public toilets
- Adopted the Economic Development Strategy 2011-2016 to encourage the development of a vibrant and sustainable local economy
- Completed Stage 1 of the Eltham Activity Centre Precincts 3 and 4
- Redevelopment Project which aims to stimulate and guide redevelopment of all land in the Eltham Town centre located west of Main Road between Panther Place and Diamond Street
- Council worked with Trader Associations and Nillumbik Tourism Association on a tourism marketing strategy for the Shire. The brand *The Artisan Hills – Naturally Creative* was formed and a website launched

### OUR COUNCIL

- A comprehensive advocacy campaign in the lead up to the 2014 State Election resulted in a \$6 million grant from the new \$50 million Interface Growth Fund
- The Service Excellence Charter and Complaints Handling Policy outlines how our customers can expect to be treated when they do business with us
- Council paid off the \$4.6 million defined benefit superannuation liability over two years instead of borrowing – saving \$1.4 million in interest payments
- The Community Engagement Policy was developed and adopted – Council's commitment to meaningful engagement with its residents
- The Annual Community Satisfaction Survey showed a trend of increasing overall satisfaction with Council's performance since 2011
- A new accessible website went live and Council started using social media to communicate and engage with residents
- Council consulted with the community about the 2.5 per cent cap on rate increases via a community panel, face-to-face survey and online survey
- Nillumbik maintained the Victorian Auditor-General's low risk 'green light' status measure for overall financial sustainability



### OUR NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

- The State of the Environment report was adopted providing a snapshot of the condition of the environment, pressures impacting upon it and Council's response to address these pressures
- We are now diverting 70 per cent of kerbside waste away from landfill
- The annual Practically Green Festival and Sustainability Awards were held to promote and celebrate excellence in sustainability
- Implementation of the Green Wedge Management Plan continued
- The Integrated Water Management Strategy was adopted providing opportunities to reduce consumption of potable water, improve water quality and engage with the community on water issues
- Council adopted the Climate Change Action Plan 2016-2020 as its commitment to preserving the Green Wedge, contributing to global efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and conserving natural resources
- The Panton Hill Bushland Reserves System User Group enables volunteers to manage the important conservation, social and recreation values of these seven reserves
- The \$1 million Hurstbridge Stormwater Project involved harvesting stormwater from a Council drain and redirecting to a 10 megalitre storage lake and wetland
- Community consultation began on Amendment C81 which proposes new Significant Landscape Overlays and seeks to maintain the character of the Green Wedge across our rural landscapes
- A review of the Environmental Significance Overlays (Amendment C101) began. The overlays, which have been in place for 16 years, needed reviewing and updating

### OUR BUILT ENVIRONMENT

- Edendale was transformed into an accessible community site that enhances environmental education, events and performances, as well as casual community use
- The \$3.2 million Wadambuk St Andrews Community Centre was opened, jointly funded by Council, the State Government, Bendigo Bank and Bushfire Appeal Fund
- The \$4.6 million Hurstbridge Hub was built providing a focal point for community activities including long and occasional childcare, maternal and child health services.
- Council built the \$290,000 Hurstbridge Skate Park in partnership with the State Government
- A \$2.05 million upgrade to Eltham Lower Park included a fully accessible playspace
- Planning is well underway on the \$15 million aquatics redevelopment of Eltham Leisure Centre to replace the 25 metre pool and add a warm water pool, a leisure pool with water features, spa, sauna, steam room, outdoor water play area and more
- Council considered its first 'State of the Assets' report. The continued investment in funding the renewal of its assets puts Council in a strong position to meet its goal of reducing its renewal gap to zero over the next 10 years
- Extensive planning and community consultation has taken place on the sought after Diamond Creek to Hurstbridge Trail
- Interpretative signage, plaques, restoration works and activities took place at War Memorial sites across the Shire to commemorate the centenary of Anzac Day
- Work is underway to construct 26 residential allotments on the vacant land in the Civic Drive Precinct, Greensborough
- \$3.4 million project to refurbish and enhance Eltham Community Reception Centre started

## Responsible financial management and advocacy

Council has made strong progress on financial sustainability over the past four years. This has included addressing the long-standing challenge of adequately funding our infrastructure renewal; successfully advocating for grant funding for major projects; meeting the Victorian Auditor-General's sustainability targets; and developing a responsible long-term approach to rate capping.

In 2013, Council adopted its Financial Sustainability Plan setting annual targets for a budget surplus, adequate liquidity, and a low-risk level of debt, which have been achieved and met the Auditor-General's standards.

It also set a medium-term target to increase recurrent funding for infrastructure, so that this exceeds the annual level of depreciation. Good progress has been made on this, with recurrent funding for capital works increased by more than 50 per cent over recent years (from \$5.7 million in 2013-2014 to \$9.4 million in 2016-2017). Council is on schedule to achieve this milestone by 2019, for the first time in Nillumbik's history.

In response to rate capping, Council proposes no new borrowings over the next 10 years, and a 50 per cent reduction of debt (from \$13 million to \$6 million). Forecasts show Council can maintain a balanced budget over this period, provided there is no net increase in existing service levels.

Efficiency savings of \$600,000 were identified in the 2016-2017 budget, and Council will seek further efficiencies in coming years to meet future demands on the budget as they emerge. These financial forecasts also rely on no further cuts to grants or other cost-shifting by the State and Federal Governments, which already costs Nillumbik more than \$2 million each year.



## Looking after our environment

Council continues to make progress towards protecting and enhancing the environment. Council now has 36 solar systems on its buildings with a total generating capacity of 346 megawatt hours.

This is enough electricity to power 63 homes each year or the equivalent reduction of greenhouse gases to planting 6,257 trees. Council's next projects include a 124 kilowatt system on the Civic Centre, a 30 kilowatt system on the Eltham Community and Reception Centre and a large system with battery storage on Community Bank Stadium in Diamond Creek.

Work also continues to remove gas connections from our facilities where it is feasible to run electric heating, cooking and hot water from rooftop solar systems.

Managing water efficiency is also happening within both our buildings and larger scale stormwater management systems. Council facilities now boast rainwater tanks with a total capacity of 12.3 megalitres. This is enough to supply water to 160 homes each year.

Integrated water management continues Council's focus on large-scale water projects. Wetlands and raingardens are being used throughout the Shire to capture stormwater and treat it to remove pollutants before it is either used to irrigate sports grounds or released into waterways. Sites within the central Eltham corridor are currently being assessed for further stormwater management projects.

Redevelopment of the Eltham Leisure Centre aquatic facilities is expected to achieve significant savings of electricity, gas and water through sustainable building design and high efficiency pool equipment. At the completion of the project a large-scale solar electricity system will be installed on the roof to supply around 20 per cent of the Centre's requirements.



## Have you seen the pink platypus?

The now complete mural at the Bridge Street underpass in Eltham shares an important message with the community – stop littering and save the platypus.

Congratulations to VCAL students from Diamond Valley College and Eltham High School and local artist Textura Arts whose incredible artwork highlights the issue of litter in local waterways.

This is part of Council's 'Ramp Up Litter Prevention' project and involves local students working with Council to help change littering behaviour and improve Eltham Skate Park where litter is often found. Initial surveys show that 95 per cent of regular visitors to the skate park actually care about litter and 85 per cent believe improvements such as more bins, colourful bins or designing a new bin that can be skated on will help solve the problem.

Eltham Primary School is also helping by spreading the word about the platypuses living in the Diamond Creek. Keep an eye out for exciting new improvements at the skate park and vibrant artwork to come.

*This project is funded through the Victorian Government's Litter Hotspots Program and Melbourne Water.*



## Work gets underway at the Reception Centre

Building works have commenced on the Eltham Community and Reception Centre which will see substantial refurbishment to one of the Shire's most iconic mudbrick buildings.

The tender to redevelop the Centre has been awarded to local company JR and BL Kendall Pty Ltd from Hurstbridge. The company has a thorough knowledge of the Shire and have worked on many government projects including Flowerdale Community Centre and Kinglake Memorial Reserve.

The upgrade to the building includes:

- replacement of corrugated asbestos roof as a safeguard for users and to prevent flooding
- improved accessibility from the car park to the Centre's entrance
- improved accessibility to stage area via lift to stage level
- water harvesting to capture rainwater for garden and grounds

- installation of solar power to provide energy and financial savings
- renewal of electrical infrastructure throughout the Centre
- upgrades to lighting to meet contemporary minimum standards
- individual room lighting and sound controls, replacement of amplifiers and renewal of stage curtains to meet fire standards
- new toilets and upgrade to disabled toilet area
- new foyer
- new kitchen to meet commercial standards.

The Centre will be closed for the duration of the renovations which are expected to be completed early 2017. In the meantime, enquiries or bookings can be directed to [halls@nillumbik.vic.gov.au](mailto:halls@nillumbik.vic.gov.au) or 9433 3733.

## Rehabilitation of former landfills

The final stage of rehabilitation of the former landfill (tip) at Plenty began earlier this year, with Kangaroo Ground to follow in 2019.

Rehabilitation of the landfill sites is an expensive and complex project, which Council has been working on and saving money for over many years. This final stage, known as 'capping', involves putting a layer of soil, synthetic materials and gas collection pipes over the whole landfill area to seal it off from the environment, so we can put the land to good use.

Council hasn't made any decisions about what the Plenty and Kangaroo Ground sites will be used for, and will seek input and ideas from the community when the rehabilitation is complete.

The green waste drop off days for Nillumbik residents, which for a number of years have been held at the Plenty site, will be moved to Kangaroo Ground in 2016-2017.

Since the landfills were covered and closed, Council has been rehabilitating both sites in accordance with Environment Protection Authority Victoria (EPA) requirements, including regular monitoring and development of detailed rehabilitation plans.

Council works with the EPA to meet strict environmental standards, which ensure that landfills don't pollute ground water, streams and rivers and don't release harmful gas into the environment.

There are no longer any operational landfills in Nillumbik, with the Plenty site closing almost 10 years ago.



## Civic Drive precinct development

Civil work is underway to construct 26 residential allotments on the vacant land between the Civic Centre and Bullanoo Court and the vacant land between the Diamond Valley Library and the Greensborough Bypass.

Drainage and sewer works are complete and the construction of access roads, including underground drainage, installation of utility services and other associated works are now in progress.

The Civic Drive Precinct Development Masterplan has refined the initial ideas

and concepts from the 2011 Civic Centre Community Reference Group which through extensive research, consultation and site analysis has provided a detailed vision for the site.

This work will transform the Civic Drive precinct into a space that offers new,

attractive settings and opportunities for a range of activities including walking, picnics, social activities, informal sports and community events.

Details of the development and Masterplan can be found at [www.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/civcdrive](http://www.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/civcdrive)

## Making a splash

The pools at Eltham Leisure Centre will be closed from 1 July as work begins on the aquatic redevelopment.

Council's largest ever infrastructure project will deliver a 25 metre pool, a warm water pool, leisure pool with water features, spa, sauna and steam room, outdoor play area with picnic and barbeque facilities, accessible and improved change facilities, a multipurpose room and a dedicated group change area.

The project has received \$6.8 million from the State Government through the Community Sporting Infrastructure Fund and Interface Growth Fund – combined, this contribution is the single biggest investment by State Government in a municipal aquatic facility.

The redevelopment will ensure the ELC meets the needs of the community and people of all ages and abilities now and into the future. All other facilities at ELC will remain open during the construction period which is expected to be completed by early 2018.

For regular updates on the project please visit [www.nillumbik.vic.gov.au](http://www.nillumbik.vic.gov.au)

## Final swim

Join us on 30 June for a final swim before the pools close for redevelopment. Fun, free activities are planned including a pool inflatable, face painting and more!

We are looking for the owners of the mural artwork that is currently displayed on the wall of the leisure pool. If you are keen to keep your artistic masterpiece, come along on the day to collect it or contact us on 9433 3111 to make arrangements.



## Planning for play

NILLUMBIK  
planning for  
**play**

We are committed to developing our play spaces in Nillumbik so that people of all ages (teenagers, older adults, pre-schoolers, primary school children and adults) have play spaces that are appropriate to their age and stage.

To achieve this we have begun work on developing a new *Planning for Play* framework to guide our development of play spaces. We want to hear your thoughts. Drop-in sessions were held in May and our online discussion forum is open until 30 June. Join the conversation.

[oursay.org/nillumbik/play](http://oursay.org/nillumbik/play)

# ndis

## National Disability Insurance Scheme

The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) was launched in July 2013.

The NDIS is a new way of providing individualised support for eligible people with permanent and significant disability, their families and carers. It will replace the existing supports that people currently receive.

The Scheme has been designed to give people more choice and control in how they receive the support they might need or the services that work best for them.

People currently receiving support through the Victorian Government will move to the NDIS at different times depending on where they live and the type of support they receive. Nillumbik Shire will be one of the first Victorian councils to move to the Scheme from 1 July 2016.

[www.ndis.gov.au](http://www.ndis.gov.au)

For details on local information sessions visit [www.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/ndis](http://www.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/ndis) or contact Council's MetroAccess Officer, 9433 3371 or email [inclusion@nillumbik.vic.gov.au](mailto:inclusion@nillumbik.vic.gov.au)

## Practical help for parents

Our Parenting in Perspective and general parent education information sessions are receiving great feedback from participants.

There are a range of sessions available depending on the age of your child. Sessions for parents of older children include:

- **Body image and eating disorders**  
**Monday 20 June, 6.30pm-8.30pm**  
**Civic Centre, Civic Drive, Greensborough**  
Information session from experts relating to supporting parents of children aged 8-15 years on what an eating disorder is, why body image is important to young people and what parents can do to support their children.
- **Self-harm**  
**Monday 8 August, 6.30pm-8.30pm**  
**Civic Centre, Civic Drive, Greensborough**  
A session featuring expert guest speakers which provides advice and the latest findings to support parents of children aged 8-15 years through this difficult issue. Hear about the impacts of social media and what you can do as parents to support your children.

### Parenting in Perspective testimonials

#### Why dads matter session

*Opened my mind to things to do to improve being a father to my son*

#### Expecting your first baby

*Very relevant, great info, good topics, well presented.*

#### Supporting mothers

*Really made me aware of how important our physical, mental and emotional health is, especially for our bub.*

*Good to meet other mothers and share our experiences.*

For the full range of Parenting in Perspective sessions visit [www.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/pip](http://www.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/pip)

## We need volunteer drivers

Volunteer drivers provide a great service assisting residents who can't or don't drive, have limited access to transport or have limited physical mobility.

We need volunteer drivers to help with:

- community bus
- medical transport
- Saturday Community Bus.

"It's about more than transport. It's about being able to get out of the house and having someone ask how you are. The volunteers are all so caring and charming and I am so grateful to them," said Laurel.

If you can help contact 9433 3723 or email [community.transport@nillumbik.vic.gov.au](mailto:community.transport@nillumbik.vic.gov.au)



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## NILLUMBIK PRIZE 2016

The 2016 Nillumbik Prize will be announced by this year's judge, Kelly Gellatly, Director of The Ian Potter Museum of Art, University of Melbourne, at the launch of the exhibition of the short-listed works on Thursday 2 June, 6.30pm-8.30pm at Montsalvat's Barn Gallery.

The Prize, funded by Nillumbik Shire Council in association with Montsalvat, awards a \$5,000 first prize and two \$500 highly commended prizes for contemporary works of excellence with a Nillumbik connection. The exhibition continues until 28 July 2016.

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[www.montsalvat.com.au](http://www.montsalvat.com.au)

## LITERARY NILLUMBIK

### Anthology launch

The inaugural *Literary Nillumbik Anthology* will be launched by Mayor, Cr Bronnie Hattam on Wednesday 20 July, 6.30pm at Eltham Library Community Gallery.

The anthology celebrates the winning short stories and poems from the 2016 Alan Marshall Short Story and Nillumbik Ekphrasis Poetry Awards judged respectively by acclaimed author, Myfanwy Jones; and poets, Helen Lucas, Steve Smart and Karen Throssell.

## L2P LEARNER DRIVER MENTOR PROGRAM

### Practice is the key to safe driving

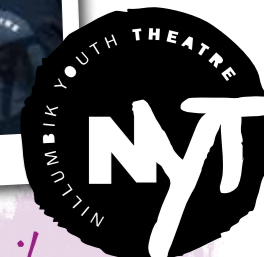
The more practice a learner driver has on L plates, the less chance there is of an accident when they are on P plates or later in their driving years.

Statistically, learner drivers rarely have crashes, however probationary drivers are three times more likely than experienced drivers to be involved in a crash in their first year of driving.

It is a legal requirement for a learner driver to have 120 hours of practice and it is important you ensure that your learner driver gets this practice in a range of conditions and situations. Nillumbik's L2P Program learner driver Duncan feels that he is a 'much better driver and feels more confident driving' as a result of being mentored for his 120 drive hours.

The Nillumbik L2P - Learner Driver Mentor Program supports learners under 21 years of age, who do not have access to a supervising driver or vehicle, to gain the driving experience required to apply for a probationary licence. L2P has helped over 90 Nillumbik learners facing barriers to achieving their 120 hours, to get their licence in the past five years.

Contact [l2p@nillumbik.vic.gov.au](mailto:l2p@nillumbik.vic.gov.au) or 9433 3329 for information about joining Nillumbik L2P as either a volunteer mentor driver or a learner driver that needs 120 hours of supervised driving.



## Nillumbik Youth Theatre

### Visual Theatre Workshops

Wednesdays 20 July - 17 Aug, 4pm-5.30pm  
Hurstbridge Hall, 974 Heidelberg-Kinglake Road, Hurstbridge

For more information or to register

[www.nillumbikyouth.vic.gov.au](http://www.nillumbikyouth.vic.gov.au)  
9433 3168  
[Holly.Teagle@nillumbik.vic.gov.au](mailto:Holly.Teagle@nillumbik.vic.gov.au)

### Junior production - Auditions (10-14 years) *Alice in Wonderland*

Thursday 7 July, 3pm-6.30pm  
Wednesday 13 July, 4pm-6.30pm  
Hurstbridge Hall, 974 Heidelberg-Kinglake Road, Hurstbridge

To book your audition

[www.nillumbikyouth.vic.gov.au](http://www.nillumbikyouth.vic.gov.au)  
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## Disney's HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

### Senior production

Thurs 1 Sept 7pm, Fri 2 Sept 7pm  
Sat 3 Sept 2pm and 7pm  
Eltham College Performing Arts Centre

Tickets on sale in August

[www.trybooking.com/LFMJ](http://www.trybooking.com/LFMJ)

Have opinions and ideas about how to improve Nillumbik for young people?

Have your say! If you're 10-25 years and interested in making a difference email [mazz.sackson@nillumbik.vic.gov.au](mailto:mazz.sackson@nillumbik.vic.gov.au)



# YOUR COUNCILLORS



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## Swipers Gully Ward

There have been a number of improvements to footpaths in Swipers Gully recently. A new footpath has now been completed along Parsons Road and we are trialling a high friction pavement surface in Kalbar Road and a median island has been modified to allow for trucks to turn easier at the corner with Tyrone Drive in Eltham.

Sometimes it's the small things such as resurfacing our roads which are most important to our residents. I'm pleased to report that asphalt resurfacing has now been completed in Moola Place and Woodridge Court in Eltham, and road patching has been taking place in Allendale Road along with joint repairs and high friction surfacing at the bridge.

As we now enter winter, ensuring the drains are working correctly is important.

Drainage works have now been completed at Milbourne Crescent and there have been pit upgrades in Park Road and Andrew Street.




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## Wingrove Ward

Congratulations to VCAL students from Diamond Valley College and Eltham High School and local artist Textura Arts whose incredible platypus artwork in the Bridge Street underpass near Alistair Knox Park highlights the issue of litter in local waterways.

This is part of Council's 'Ramp up litter prevention' project and involves local students working with council to help change littering behaviour and improve Eltham skate park where litter is often found and can make its way to the creek.

I was thrilled to attend the open day at Woodridge Preschool recently and saw their renovation works, which includes a double room extension meaning they can provide the community with even more child care and educational opportunities into the future.



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## Blue Lake Ward

I am currently supporting and advocating for sporting clubs in my ward to secure upcoming grants for these growing clubs. And work is continuing for the upgrade of sporting grounds.

I congratulate the Diamond Valley Sport and Fitness Centre on its 40th anniversary.

The Yarrambat Township Plan has been endorsed by Council and now goes to the Minister of Planning for approval.

I am on the Fire Management and Emergency Management Committee and continue to focus on fire prevention.

The Civic Drive Masterplan to improve community facilities in the park will come before Council for approval in the near future.

Please remember that I am always available should you have any queries or need assistance with any Council matters.




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## Bunjil Ward

Now is indeed an exciting time for Bunjil Ward. With VicRoads' cooperation, Council is funding and building on-road bicycle lanes along both sides of Heidelberg-Kinglake Road between Kamarooka Drive, Wattle Glen and Parker Road, Hurstbridge. Construction has recently started. They are the first on-road bicycle lanes ever to be built by Nillumbik Council; and it all came about with resident, David Nicholls, approaching me, his ward councillor. Thanks David.

Meanwhile, Council's April Policy and Services Committee meeting heard submissions from residents interested in the next step towards our creekside-aligned Diamond Creek Trail extension to Hurstbridge, with 91 per cent of the 195 submissions in favour of the proposed route.

With funding allocation in the Major Projects Plan, including \$2 million in 2016-2017, we are ready for when we get the go ahead to construct.




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## Edendale Ward

The implementation of Edendale's masterplan is continuing and the construction of new animal shelters, milking shed, tool and hay sheds are well underway.

Edendale is a popular location for our residents and visitors from further afield with more than 70,000 people coming through the gates last year.

Many of them enjoy meeting the animals at the farm and ensuring that we provide those animals with suitable shelters and keep our tools and equipment dry and protected is important.

The milking shed will mean that in the future milking our Jersey cows and goats will be made easier. If you haven't done so already, make your way down to the meet Taffy the calf, Edendale's latest addition to the farm.




Councillor Peter Perkins  
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## Ellis Ward

I'm pleased to see that work has begun on the pedestrian bridge at Campbell Street Reserve. The completion of this bridge will mean that residents will be able go from Campbell Street Reserve to the popular Diamond Creek Dog Park.

Ultimately the loop will be completed so residents can use the footpath all the way through to the pedestrian bridge at the netball courts.

The Living & Learning Centres across Nillumbik are very popular with our residents and staffed by volunteers so it's great to see that the kitchen facilities for those hard working people has been upgraded to make their time there that little bit easier.

Back in April I attended the Anzac Day Service at the Diamond Creek War Memorial. As always, it was a very moving affair and I was honoured to be there representing Council.




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## Sugarloaf Ward

In my last report I highlighted the sealing of Buttermans Track and Hildebrand Road being approved and construction had started.

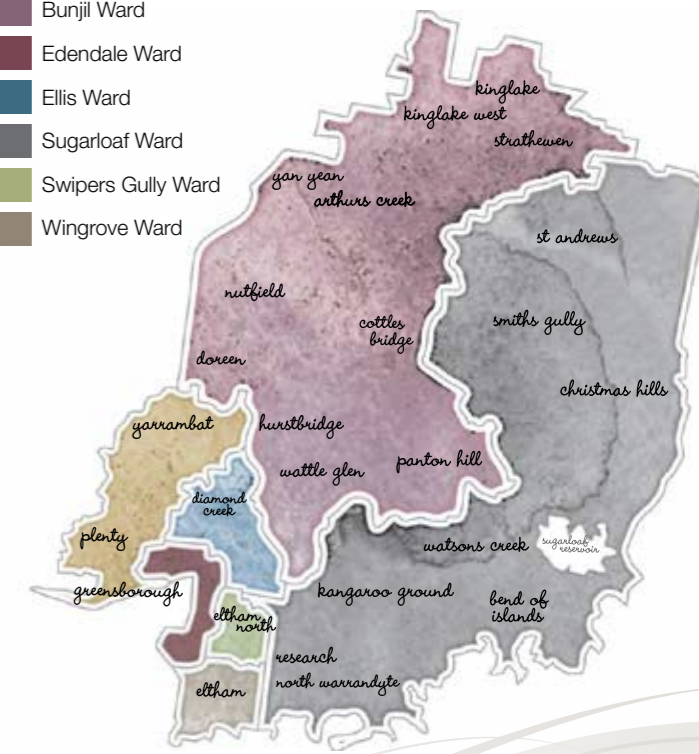
Well that work is now completed and on an additional 1500m was also included linking Buttermans Track to Rangeview Road and the sealing continued for 450m into Tarra Place. This means that the whole of Buttermans Track is now sealed which I'm sure the residents in the area are pleased with.

While we are mainly a rural ward in Sugarloaf, there are still some areas that footpaths are needed and I'm pleased that a new asphalt path has been completed between the roundabout and the township section of Eltham-Yarra Glen Road in Kangaroo Ground.



## KEY

- Blue Lake Ward
- Bunjil Ward
- Edendale Ward
- Ellis Ward
- Sugarloaf Ward
- Swipers Gully Ward
- Wingrove Ward



# June Reminder

Council will begin the 2017 four-year-old preschool offer process in mid-July. If you haven't submitted your application you have until 30 June.

[nillumbik.vic.gov.au/preschools](http://nillumbik.vic.gov.au/preschools)



# July

Interested in exhibiting?

Applications open in July for artists interested in exhibiting at the Eltham Library Community Gallery in 2017.

[nillumbik.vic.gov.au/exhibit](http://nillumbik.vic.gov.au/exhibit)

[artsinfo@nillumbik.vic.gov.au](mailto:artsinfo@nillumbik.vic.gov.au) 9433 3175



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<b>Parenting in Perspective</b> <b>BOOTCAMP</b> Thursday 2 June 6.30pm-8.30pm Baby Boot Camp Bookings required <a href="http://nillumbik.vic.gov.au">nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>			2 Until Monday 6 June 10am-8.30pm <b>What happened at the pier #2</b> Nillumbik, curated by Lella Cariddi Eltham Library Community Gallery <a href="http://nillumbik.vic.gov.au">nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	4 1pm-4.30pm <b>How to make compost and set up a worm farm</b> Edendale <a href="http://edendale.vic.gov.au">edendale.vic.gov.au</a>	5 <b>HURSTBRIDGE FARMERS MARKET</b> 8.30am-1pm Hurstbridge Farmers' Market <a href="http://hurstbridgefarmersmarket.com.au">hurstbridgefarmersmarket.com.au</a>	
	7 9.30am-1.30pm <b>Needle Natter MakerSpace</b> Panton Hill Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	8 10.30am-11.30am <b>Preschool Storytime - World Environment Day</b> Diamond Valley Library <a href="http://yprl.vic.gov.au">yprl.vic.gov.au</a>	<b>Hurstbridge Heritage Trail launch</b> Stroll through history Thursday 9 June, 2pm-4pm Wattle Place, Heidelberg-Kinglake Road, Hurstbridge <a href="http://hurstbridgevillage.com.au">hurstbridgevillage.com.au</a>	11 9am-1pm <b>Wadambuk Makers Market</b> <a href="http://standrewscommunitycentre.org">standrewscommunitycentre.org</a>		
13 <b>Queen's Birthday public holiday</b>	14 7pm-9pm <b>Creative MakerSpace</b> Living & Learning Nillumbik Hurstbridge Hub <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	15 7pm-8pm <b>Travelling with your ancestors</b> Eltham Library <a href="http://yprl.vic.gov.au">yprl.vic.gov.au</a>	16 <b>COURTHOUSE POETRY READINGS</b> 7.30pm Courthouse <b>Poetry Readings</b> Eltham Courthouse, 728 Main Road, Eltham 0438 339 732	17 9.30am-2pm <b>Mosaics MakerSpace</b> <b>Panton Hill Living &amp; Learning Centre</b> <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	18 1pm-5pm <b>Fruit tree pruning workshop</b> Edendale, cost: \$50 <a href="http://edendale.vic.gov.au">edendale.vic.gov.au</a>	19
20 9.30am-11.30am <b>Art MakerSpace</b> Panton Hill Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	21 11.30am-12.30pm <b>Good bugs - bad bugs</b> Diamond Valley Library <a href="http://yprl.vic.gov.au">yprl.vic.gov.au</a>		23 10.30am-12noon <b>Interactive play session - pirate play</b> Diamond Valley Library <a href="http://yprl.vic.gov.au">yprl.vic.gov.au</a>	25 10am-12noon <b>Backyard chooks for beginners</b> Edendale, cost: \$35 <a href="http://edendale.vic.gov.au">edendale.vic.gov.au</a>		
27 <b>Monday 27 June</b> <a href="http://yprl.vic.gov.au">yprl.vic.gov.au</a> Diamond Valley Library  <b>Mini Maestros</b> 10.30am-11am (6 months-2yrs) 11.15am-12noon (preschool-5yrs)  In your lunchbreak - writing through fences 12noon-1pm	29 2pm-3pm <b>An Introduction to Trove</b> Diamond Valley Library <a href="http://yprl.vic.gov.au">yprl.vic.gov.au</a>		30 <b>Thursday 9 June - Monday 4 July</b> 10am-8.30pm <b>Horns, feathers and furs</b> Liz Cameron and Kay Steventon Eltham Library Community Gallery <a href="http://nillumbik.vic.gov.au">nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>  Liz CAMERON Goat in the Garden 2015 porcelain, oil on canvas, 40cm x 60cm			

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	<b>Nillumbik Community Fund Grants</b> Our Quick Response Grants support local groups and organisations by funding small projects that meet an identified community need. Grants from the Robert Bridgford Indigenous Trust supports local groups and organisations to implement projects that result in the betterment and advancement of indigenous people within Nillumbik. Applications open 1 July 2016 and close on the last Friday in May 2017 or when funds are expended. <a href="http://nillumbik.vic.gov.au/grants">nillumbik.vic.gov.au/grants</a>			1 9.30am-2pm <b>Mosaics MakerSpace</b> Panton Hill Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	3 <b>HURSTBRIDGE FARMERS MARKET</b> 8.30am-1pm Hurstbridge Farmers' Market <a href="http://hurstbridgefarmersmarket.com.au">hurstbridgefarmersmarket.com.au</a>	
4 12noon-5pm <b>Sewing and Wool Crafts MakerSpace</b> Eltham Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>		6 1pm-6pm <b>Leadlighting and Glass Arts MakerSpace</b> (For experienced leadlighters) Eltham Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	7 9.30am-3pm <b>Just Xmas MakerSpace</b> Panton Hill Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>		Thursday 7 July - Monday 1 August 10am-8.30pm <b>Gateway, Laughing Waters Artist in Residence 2015, Sarah Wilmot</b> Eltham Library Community Gallery <a href="http://nillumbik.vic.gov.au">nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	
11 10am-5pm <b>Studio Arts MakerSpace</b> Eltham Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	12 10am-5pm <b>Studio Arts MakerSpace</b> Eltham Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	13 9.30am-3pm <b>Crafty Cats MakerSpace</b> Panton Hill Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	14 6pm-8pm <b>Art for teenagers</b> Eltham Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	16 10am-12noon <b>Art making with Max</b> Eltham Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>		
18 4pm-5.30pm <b>Art for kids</b> Eltham Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	20 4pm-5.30pm <b>Art for kids</b> Eltham Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	21 9.30am-4.30pm <b>Clay MakerSpace</b> Eltham Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	24 10am-12noon <b>Art making with Max</b> Eltham Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	2pm-4.30pm <b>Soil matters</b> Edendale <a href="http://edendale.vic.gov.au">edendale.vic.gov.au</a>		
25 9.30am-11.30am <b>Art MakerSpace</b> Panton Hill Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	26 9.30am-1.30pm <b>Needle Natter MakerSpace</b> Panton Hill Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	27 12noon-5pm <b>Scrapbooking and Paper Crafts MakerSpace</b> Eltham Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	28 7pm-9pm <b>Sew Social MakerSpace (fortnightly)</b> Diamond Creek Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>			
	<b>Parenting in Perspective</b> Thursday 14 July, 6.30pm-8.30pm <b>WHY DADS MATTER</b>  <b>SUPPORTING MOTHERS</b>  Wednesday 20 July 6.30pm-8.30pm <b>RESPONSIVE PARENTING</b> Bookings required <a href="http://nillumbik.vic.gov.au">nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>					

# August

## Hurstbridge Wattle Festival

Join us in the rural village of Hurstbridge when it comes alive with the sights and sounds of the unique Hurstbridge Wattle Festival. Steam train rides, night market, entertainment, vintage cars, art and much more.

Sunday 28 August, 10am-8pm [www.wattlefestival.org.au](http://www.wattlefestival.org.au)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1 12noon-5pm Sewing and Wool Crafts MakerSpace Eltham Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	4 	6 Thursday 4 August – Monday 29 August 10am-8.30pm <i>Writing the war: Personal stories from WW1</i> , State Library of Victoria touring exhibition Eltham Library Community Gallery <a href="http://nillumbik.vic.gov.au">nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	7 10am-12noon Backyard chooks for beginners Cost: \$35 Edendale <a href="http://edendale.vic.gov.au">edendale.vic.gov.au</a>	8 1pm-3.30pm Beekeeping a taster Cost: \$15 Edendale <a href="http://edendale.vic.gov.au">edendale.vic.gov.au</a>	9 6.30pm-8.30pm Self-harm how to support young people Bookings required <a href="http://nillumbik.vic.gov.au">nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	10 9.30am-1.30pm Needle Natter MakerSpace Panton Hill Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>
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23 7pm-9pm Creative MakerSpace Living & Learning Nillumbik Hurstbridge Hub <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	25 9.30am-4.30pm Clay MakerSpace Eltham Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	26 9.30am-11.30am Hobby Hub MakerSpace Diamond Creek Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	27 10am-8pm Hurstbridge Wattle Festival <a href="http://www.wattlefestival.org.au">www.wattlefestival.org.au</a>	28 10am-5pm Studio Arts MakerSpace Eltham Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	29 1pm-6pm Leadlighting and Glass Arts MakerSpace (For experienced leadlighters) Eltham Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>	30 7pm-9pm Sew Social MakerSpace (fortnightly) Diamond Creek Living & Learning Centre <a href="http://livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au">livinglearning.nillumbik.vic.gov.au</a>
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## WASTE SERVICES



### Delay to plastic bag recycling

In our last edition, we announced that you can now recycle plastic bags in your recycling (yellow) bin. Unfortunately, there's been a delay to this new program.

Plastic bags and other flexible/soft plastic packaging can't go in the recycling bin yet due to a delay in receiving the special sorting equipment from overseas. Because of this, we are yet to distribute the information pack and instructional starter bags to residents.

We are keen to provide this convenience as soon as possible and will send the information and instructional starter bags in the mail as soon as the program is ready to start. Keep an eye on our website for updates.

In the meantime, most supermarkets accept plastic bags/flexible plastics for recycling. You can do a search on the REDcycle website to find your nearest collection bin: [www.REDCycle.net.au/redcycle/locator](http://www.REDCycle.net.au/redcycle/locator)

Or, drop off your plastic bags/flexible plastics at Edendale Farm, Gastons Road, Eltham, for recycling. Alternatively, continue to use your garbage (red) bin.

## OTHER DISPOSAL OPTIONS

**Nillumbik Recycling & Recovery Centre**  
290 Yan Yean Road, Plenty



**Open** 8am-4pm Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday (four days only)

**Closed** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and public holidays

### Recycle free of charge:

- batteries – household, car and mobile phone
  - cardboard (excluding waxed cardboard)
  - clothing in good condition
  - e-waste e.g. computers, printers, keyboards, screens, hard drives, mice
  - household recycling
  - light globes/bulbs and fluoro tubes
  - mobile phones
  - motor oil and containers
  - scrap metal e.g. bike, stove, washing machine, dryer, metal poles, roofing
- Note: charges apply for fridges, freezers and air conditioners because of the de-gassing process
- televisions
  - x-rays



### Charges apply for:

- air conditioners
- fridges and freezers
- garden materials
- hard waste
- mattresses
- plaster
- polystyrene/foam/bean bag beans
- tyres – car/4WD and rims
- wood – processed e.g. treated pine, fence paling, untreated timber
- other non-recyclable items



Pre-sort free of charge items and different types of waste in your load – it helps with a quick drop off and may even save you money

For a full list of accepted items, prices and items we don't accept, visit: [www.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/rrc](http://www.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/rrc)

### Reuse Shop

**Open** 9am-3.30pm Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday

**Closed** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and public holidays

Where possible, items brought to our Recycling & Recovery Centre that are in good condition and able to be re-used are donated to the on-site Reuse Shop rather than recycled or sent to landfill. The shop is open to the public and run by the Green Wedge Christian Community.



## Hard waste collection

Make use of your hard waste collection (two cubic metres) each financial year. To book or find out more, visit our website or give us a call.

## Composting and worm farms

Take part in Council's popular composting and worm farm workshops and learn how to turn your kitchen and garden waste into rich organic soil known as humus.

Workshop dates and compost bin/worm farm purchase information: [www.edendale.vic.gov.au](http://www.edendale.vic.gov.au)

## THINGS WE DON'T ACCEPT, AND WHERE TO TAKE THEM

### Hanson Landfill

Bridge Inn Road, Wollert  
9408 1299  
[www.hansonlandfill.com.au](http://www.hansonlandfill.com.au)



- asbestos (small quantities) – strict precautions apply; contact Council for information (charges apply)
- bricks (charges apply)
- building/renovation rubble such as concrete, stone and tiles (charges apply)
- commercial quantities of waste – vehicles with more than 4.5 tonne capacity (charges apply)
- dirt/soil (charges apply)

### Banyule Waste Recovery Centre

Cnr Waterdale Rd and Banksia St, Bellfield  
9490 4222  
[www.banyule.vic.gov.au](http://www.banyule.vic.gov.au)



- empty gas bottles (no charge)
- paint (no charge)

### Darebin Resource Recovery Centre

Kurnai Avenue (off Henty Street), Reservoir  
9462 3455  
[www.darebin.vic.gov.au/resourcerecovery](http://www.darebin.vic.gov.au/resourcerecovery)

- empty gas bottles (charges apply)
- paint (no charge)

### Hume Resource Recovery Centre

Bolinda Road, Campbellfield  
9359 3813  
[www.hume.vic.gov.au](http://www.hume.vic.gov.au)

- chemicals – household and garden (no charge)
- empty gas bottles (no charge)
- paint (no charge)



### Sustainability Victoria collection program

1300 363 744  
[www.sustainability.vic.gov.au/detoxyourhome](http://www.sustainability.vic.gov.au/detoxyourhome)

- chemicals – household and garden
- fire extinguishers
- fuels



Tear off and put on your fridge



# BIN COLLECTION 2016-2017 CALENDAR



## Practically GREEN Sustainability Awards

Nillumbik Shire Council invites all members of our local community to participate in the 2016 Practically Green Sustainability Awards.

Council is now seeking nominations for outstanding examples of sustainability in the following categories:

- Sustainable Building Award
- Sustainable Home Award
- Sustainable Business Awards
- Sustainable Community Organisation Award
- Sustainable School or Children's Centre Award

Nominations open Sunday 5 June and close Sunday 31 July 2016.

For nomination forms and further information visit [www.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/pgawards](http://www.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/pgawards), call in to the Civic Centre at Civic Drive, Greensborough or phone 9433 3211.

Cover: The stunning entrance to Ingledwood Estate in Kangaroo Ground.

Nillumbik News is available in alternative formats on request. Contact 9433 3188. Printed in Nillumbik, using vegetable inks on Australian-made recycled paper.



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### GREEN WASTE (GREEN LID)

Collected weekly and turned into compost



Food scraps – fruit, vegetables, dairy, bread, pasta, rice, meat, small bones, tea bags and coffee grounds (loose or wrapped in newspaper or paper towel)



Garden materials – clippings, leaves, flowers, grass, small branches and weeds

**X** No plastic bags



### RECYCLING (YELLOW LID)

Collected fortnightly and recycled



Hard plastics, glass bottles and jars, aluminium/steel cans and trays, foil, pots and pans, plastic toys and plant pots



Cardboard, paper and cartons

### GARBAGE (RED LID)

Collected fortnightly and goes to landfill



Pyrex, crockery, window glass, mirror, polystyrene and foam



Household rubbish and nappies

**X** No liquids, chemicals, oil or hazardous materials

My bin day is .....

Place your bin out by 6am on collection day. Your green bin is collected weekly on the same day as your recycle or garbage bin.

Where marked, due to the Good Friday and Anzac Day public holidays, your bin collection will be one day later than normal.

Turn over for more recycling and waste disposal options



JULY 2016							AUGUST 2016							SEPTEMBER 2016							OCTOBER 2016							
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