The Corner @ McKenzie

MELTON'S FIRST POP-UP PARK

We welcome Melton's first ever Pop-Up Park. The Corner @ McKenzie will be a community space to Play, Create and Connect.

What is a Pop-Up Park?

Pop-Up parks are a current trend that aims to transform an underutilised space through low cost and creative measures into an engaging and inviting space for people to use.

Many examples can be found across Victoria, interstate and internationally. Pop-Up parks are a great way to change a space before formal construction commences, to test design ideas, interact with people, and demonstrate what the future Town Centre will be like and how the community can be engaged.

The Corner @ McKenzie

Melton City Council is partnering with VicHealth through their Community Activation Program to deliver an exciting new temporary space within the future Melton Town Centre.

The Corner at McKenzie is a temporary and low-cost park, through the use of recycled materials, that has been designed to encourage activation of the space and the community. It will be located on the corner of McKenzie Street and Palmerston Street and will run from mid September 2015 to late March 2016.

Construction of The Corner at McKenzie is expected to commence early September 2015 with completion mid October 2015. Melton City Council will be running a variety of programs throughout this period for the community to participate in.

For further information about the Pop-Up Park or to get involved please contact:

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Further Information

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Or further information can be found online at: melton.vic.gov.au/Council/Major_projects

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Further information can be found at: melton.vic.gov.au/Services/ Business/Buy_Local

Welcome

WELCOME TO THE FIRST EDITION OF THE MELTON TOWN CENTRE NEWS

Read more about the revitalisation of the Melton Town Centre and our first Pop-Up Park: The Corner @ McKenzie!
Melton Town Centre News

The Melton Town Centre News is a new initiative to keep traders informed about the exciting redevelopment of the Town Centre. It will cover details about works, local events, activities and other information related to this exciting revitalisation project. Watch this space as this newsletter evolves!

What’s Happening?

MELTON TOWN CENTRE STAGE 1
Stage 1 of the Melton Town Centre Streetscape Redevelopment consisted of the erection of a new Taxi Shelter. You may have noticed that this is now nearing completion.

There will be minor rectification works to follow immediately after the completion of the Taxi Shelter to enable customers to safely access and utilise the existing Palmerston Street car park, prior to commencement of Stage 2 of the Melton Town Centre Redevelopment. These works are anticipated to be completed by mid October 2015.

FORMER MELTON COURTHOUSE
The former Courthouse is being refurbished to create a new interactive and fresh Visitor Information Centre and an exciting new cafe space, as well as contributing to the upgrade and reuse of this significant heritage asset. This renovation will create a vibrant hub within Melton’s Town Centre for visitors and the local community to meet and share stories about the many hidden gems and local attractions on offer within the City of Melton.

The works are anticipated to be completed late October 2015. In the interim you can find the Visitor Information Centre at its temporary home in the Melton Library and Learning Hub, 31 McKenzie Street, Melton. Visitor enquiries can call 9747 7300 or email visitor@melton.vic.gov.au

Melton Town Centre Master Plan

Melton Town Centre Redevelopment

The central business district of Melton is being transformed to create a vibrant, pedestrian accessible and safe Town Centre.

Such significant works have not occurred in the space since it was first constructed.

The proposed works will reposition Melton High Street as a key destination to rival Caroline Springs and Woodgrove.

The proposed redevelopment works are within Palmerston Street between High Street and McKenzie Street and the along McKenzie Street between Alexander Street and Palmerston Street.

This area fronts onto the Melton Learning Library and Hub and encompasses the Amphitheatre and the Former Melton Court House heritage building which are both considered within the design.

For the past year the design has been developed through consultation with the community to update and restore the site, increase safety, create new event spaces and improve the overall quality of the external space.

The Town Centre design aims to strengthen the structure of the space by making clear pathways to encourage people movement, spaces that enables both passive and organised use and opportunities for traders to engage in the streetscape. The intended design outcome is to create a people focused space, attracting all and encouraging stimulation of local businesses.

This exciting development will be constructed in 3 stages over the next few years.

“...The community can benefit from investments that improve walking, cycling, and public transit. Such projects, when combined with new land use patterns, support local economies by leveraging public investments and often include a revival in retail activity, private investment, social capital, and tourism.”

Source: http://www.completestreets.org

What’s Next?

MELTON TOWN CENTRE STAGE 2
The second stage of the Melton Town Centre Streetscape Redevelopment works is proposed for Palmerston Street Shops and roadway between High Street and McKenzie Street.

These works consist of improving pedestrian connections, the configuration of street parking, public lighting, additional soft landscaping, upgrade of the Amphitheatre, seating and signage.

Works are expected to commence April 2016. The confirmation of timing and extent of stages of works will be communicated closer to construction.