

Frankston City News

July–August 2019

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Frankston City Council Budget 2019–2020

Delivering vital services, programs and infrastructure for our community

Council's Annual Budget 2019–2020 has been adopted and will build on our strong foundation of key community services and support, from growing local arts and culture to providing for a safe, connected and inclusive community, basic but essential amenities such as sustainable waste management,

vital infrastructure for a growing city, support services for our most vulnerable community members and more.

We consulted with our community on the draft budget in May, to give you the opportunity to see how your rates are being invested locally. We remained transparent and

accountable throughout the drafting process, ensuring we offered plenty of ways to provide feedback, including a budget information session hosted in April. Your invaluable feedback has helped to shape our investment in Frankston City over the coming 12 months and we thank everyone for their contribution.

Rates and charges to Frankston City residents make up 66 per cent of Council's budgeted income and play a vital role in our ability to provide services, programs and infrastructure to our community. See pages 10 and 11 for a detailed breakdown of the 2019–2020 Budget.

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Civic Centre

30 Davey Street, Frankston
 Monday to Friday, 8.30am-5pm

Seaford Customer Service Centre

Seaford Community Centre, corner of Station Street and Broughton Street, Seaford
 Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm
 Saturday 9am-12pm

Langwarrin Customer Service Centre

Shop 6, The Gateway, Cranbourne-Frankston Road, Langwarrin
 Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm
 Saturday 9am-12pm

Carrum Downs Library and Customer Service Centre

203 Lyrebird Drive, Carrum Downs
 times vary

Visitor Information Centre

7N Pier Promenade, Frankston Waterfront
 Open 7 days, 10am-4pm
 Phone: 1300 322 842
visitfrankston.com

Hoon Driving

1800 333 000 (Crime Stoppers)

Graffiti Removal

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Mayor's message

Food waste in your green bin from October

Did you know we are helping our struggling farmers by collecting your food waste and turning it into good quality compost? Because of the way food waste breaks down in landfill it can create methane, a greenhouse gas that contributes to climate change. That's why from October you'll be able to include food waste in your green bin. But where does it go? Your green waste, including food waste, will now be processed into compost for Australian farmers. That's why it's so important to make sure you're only putting food organics and garden organics into your green bin. See page 16 for more information.

Celebrating our shining stars

Applications open soon for the

Frankston City Australia Day Citizen of the Year Awards. The awards celebrate our outstanding citizens for their selfless commitment to others, inspiring community spirit and dedication to volunteering. If you would like to nominate someone, visit the Council website. See page 6 for more detail.

Fond farewell to our CEO, Dennis Hovenden

In June we bid farewell to our CEO Dennis Hovenden. I have been fortunate to work alongside Dennis for seven years, and through this time have been impressed by his genuine heartfelt concern for the wellbeing of staff and the community and his passion for achieving great outcomes for Frankston City. He has been an inspiring leader whose contribution to Council and to Frankston City during his seven year



tenure has been considerable. I speak for everyone at Frankston City Council when I say he will be greatly missed. In my experience it's rare to find a CEO as approachable, down to earth and personable as Dennis is. His door is always open and he makes time for everyone. I wish him all the best in his future endeavours.

Cr Michael O'Reilly
Frankston City Mayor

Message from the CEO

On Wednesday 19 June I tendered my resignation to Frankston City Councillors, following seven years of dedicated service to the local community — whom I care for dearly. It has been a privilege to be the Chief Executive Officer of this incredible municipality, and I have been honoured to serve the Frankston City Council.

I leave the role knowing I have helped Council to achieve a strong financial position, which will help ensure the continued delivery of essential services residents expect and deserve. I am particularly proud of the establishment of strategic financial reserves, to allow Council to contribute to major city projects and the delivery of a surplus budget.

I am also proud the organisation is continuing to provide more than 150 high-quality services to residents and city visitors, and in awe of the

incredible officers working hard behind the scenes to deliver them. I have the utmost respect for every single member of Council staff, and leave knowing that no matter who takes the CEO reins, that they will remain focused on their work and like me, only want to best for this community.

The Frankston City community is a strong community. A proud community. A community that will stand up and fight for what they believe in. You support each other, care for each other and demonstrate a level of community spirit that is, in my experience, very hard to find.

I would like to acknowledge the support shown to me over the years by many residents, community organisations and clubs. It's been incredibly humbling to see the work you do in this community, and the positive difference you make. I would

also like to acknowledge Council's Management Team, whom have been there for me through the ups, and indeed the downs. I wish Frankston City Council and its community every success for the future.

Dennis Hovenden
CEO



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Did you know your pet could save your life?

Studies have shown having a furry friend living with you actually boosts your immunity, can prevent children from developing allergies, increases exercise and time spent outside, lowers blood pressure and cholesterol levels.

Aside from the social and emotional benefits, pets help you to meet new

people and provide a sense of safety and companionship.

We want to make it as easy as possible for you to look after your pet and enjoy each other's company for many years to come. We offer many services that support and promote pet ownership.



DID YOU KNOW?

We offer FREE annual registration for dogs, including guide dogs and government service animals, such as police dogs. We also offer FREE registration for the first 12 months for all pets adopted from The Lost Dogs' Home. Visit: dogshome.com



Free vet service helping local homeless

Pets in the Park (PITP) Frankston is part of a national charity providing free medical care and advice for pets owned by people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. Local vets and other volunteers help to run the service, launched in October 2014, with the help of volunteers from Community Support Frankston, Frankston Heights Veterinary Centre, Bolton Clarke and Frankston City Council.

Frankston Pets in the Park is held in a public open space once a month and is by referral only. Pets are checked for parasites, infectious diseases, wounds and lumps and given vaccinations supplied through donations. Locally, referrals come through a range of different service providers and clients are assessed for eligibility.

Steve Phillips, Manager, Community Support Frankston, says the service



provides invaluable support to those who may be going through tough times, and who rely on the companionship of their pets.

"The reality is that many people being helped by the program haven't always been homeless, and their pets would suffer as they can't afford veterinary care.

"A common misconception is that people who are homeless shouldn't have pets. We ask people to think about how they would care for their own pets, in the absence of housing and income."

For more information, visit the 'Pets in the Park Frankston' Facebook page: [facebook.com/PetsInTheParkFrankston](https://www.facebook.com/PetsInTheParkFrankston)

Born free

Daily walks are important for maintaining a dog's healthy weight and helps keep you fit too. Frankston City has more than 30 free roam areas for dogs in parks and reserves across all suburbs.

Free roam areas are open spaces where dogs can be taken off leash to exercise under owner supervision. Bins are provided at most free roam locations for disposing of pet waste responsibly. Council also provides free biodegradable bags at some locations.

Some conditions apply at certain locations, as signage indicates.



Free Roam Area brochures are also available from our Customer Service Centres. To find a free roam area near you, visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/FreeRoamAreas

Returning furry friends home sooner

It is our policy to ensure every effort is made to reunite owners with their lost dog. Should a lost animal be collected by a Council officer, we will first attempt to contact the owner via their pet's registration details. As long as you are home to receive your pet in person, we can then bring them back safe and sound.

There are almost 16,000 dogs registered in Frankston City and to ensure we can easily reunite you please ensure your pet is registered, wearing a tag and has no previous history.

Council's Compliance and Safety Coordinator, says, "People love their pets as members of their family.

As a pet owner myself, it is comforting to know that if my dog managed to



escape our property, we've done the responsible thing to ensure he can be returned sooner when found." For more information, visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/LostAnimals

REMINDER! Pet registrations are now overdue. If you did not pay your 12-monthly registration by 10 April 2019, please arrange payment immediately to avoid a fine. Registering your dog or cat helps us to reunite you quickly if they become lost. Pay in-person at one of our Customer Service Centres or online: frankston.vic.gov.au/PetRegistration.

MAYOR'S READING CHALLENGE 2019:

READING IS MY SECRET POWER

Frankston City Libraries invites pre-school age children (0-5 years) and their families to sign up for the Mayor's Reading Challenge!

The challenge runs throughout August, registrations open **Wednesday 31 July 2019.**



Children and parents collect prizes for every 20 reading experiences. After a month of happy reading, participants collect a reading rewards pack, including a certificate signed by the Mayor.

Register at any Frankston City Library branch. Visit: library.frankston.vic.gov.au for more info.



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1-31 AUGUST

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FREE ENTRY

THE MAYOR'S
Family Picnic

Sunday 8 September 2019
11am-2pm

Banyan Reserve,
Carrum Downs

Featuring free family activities including lawn games, face painting and live entertainment plus food and community stalls providing local information.

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Frankston City Council acknowledges the traditional owners of the land in and around Frankston City

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Nairm Marr Djambana

NAIDOC Week: 7-14 July

NAIDOC Week is held each July to acknowledge and celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Events were held across the Mornington Peninsula to celebrate NAIDOC Week, hosted by two local Gathering Places, under the theme: Voice. Treaty. Truth. Let's work together for a shared future.

Local NAIDOC Week 2019 events

Nairm Marr Djambana Gathering Place in Frankston launched celebrations with a morning Aboriginal flag raising ceremony on Monday 8 July. This was followed with a Family Fun Day on Thursday 11 July and included a Yidaki and bush tucker walk and plenty of cultural activities and family entertainment. Nairm Marr Djambana launched festivities with the NAIDOC Dinner Dance at Mornington Racecourse on Friday 28 June. The event was a celebration of cultural pride and included Yidaki and cultural performances, a smoking ceremony and Welcome to Country.

The **Willum Warrain Gathering Place** in Hastings, run by the Willum Warrain Aboriginal

Association, hosted the NAIDOC Deadly Youth Event on Friday 12 July, a fun-filled night of dance, culture and amazing local food.

Our own Frankston Arts Centre are also holding a series of Baluk Art exhibitions and workshops, reflecting connection, history and culture by local emerging artists from Baluk Arts Aboriginal Arts Centre. Exhibitions include:

Baluk Arts: Our Voice and the Seas:

Kelp Works and Experimental Printmaking

Open until Saturday 10 August, Curved Wall, Frankston Arts Centre, FREE

Exploring the aesthetic properties of kelp with knowledge shared by Tasmanian Elder, Nannette Shaw, Baluk artists reimagine objects of culture into a language for today.

Baluk Arts: Barring-buluk Too-roo-dun:

Following their tracks

Open until 8 September, Cube37, Frankston Arts Centre, FREE

Too-roo-dun is the Boonwurrung word for Bunyip. Bunyip is a word from Wathawurrung language. This exhibition forms a small part of an inspired community project.

Our local Gathering Place

Frankston City's Gathering Place is a space to conduct Aboriginal health, cultural, recreation and social activities. The meeting place provides opportunities to further advance and improve the health of Aboriginal people of all genders and ages.

The Gathering Place is located on the north-western corner of Jubilee Park, Frankston off Nursery Avenue. Two portable buildings were donated by Chisholm TAFE to Council who have allocated the buildings for the Gathering Place site.

The Frankston Gathering Place has its own incorporated committee who coordinate all activities and operations.



The Frankston Gathering Place Committee are known as Nairm Marr Djambana (Gathering by the Bay).

We are committed to working with our Indigenous community and traditional owners to enhance social, economic and environmental outcomes. There are many programs and services accessible to Frankston City residents who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander. Visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/IndigenousCommunities

Meet our Reconciliation Officer, Grant Lea



My role involves shaping Council's long-term vision and direction for how Council contributes to Aboriginal reconciliation in Frankston City.

I help to plan programs and services to better meet the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. I work in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, and support community-lead reconciliation initiatives.

Why is this role important?

The role is important as a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP®) provides a formal statement of commitment to Aboriginal reconciliation at an organisational level. The RAP® is trademarked to Reconciliation Australia, and while

there are merits and recognition associated with using the RAP®, it is not a legislated requirement. It is important to note that the priority is for organisations to adopt a reconciliation planning approach that best fits the local reconciliation needs.

What are you most proud of?

This is still in the planning stages, but being able to get Eddie Moore, Managing Director of Nyuka Wara Consulting to help us develop the RAP® would be a great achievement. Eddie's career spans 30 years; and includes working in State Government, not-for-profit organisations, non-government organisations, and peak Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations in South Australia, Western Australia, the Northern Territory and Victoria.

What do you like best about your role?

So far my favourite thing is seeing the great advantages we will achieve internally and how much it will benefit the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community here in Frankston City.

OUR TRADITIONAL OWNERS

The Bunurong people are the traditional owners of land in and around Frankston, extending from the Werribee Creek to the Tarwin River and Wilson's Promontory. The traditional owners are one of 30 Victorian tribes, occupying the area from as far back as 40,000 years ago. For more information on the Bunurong people, visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/IndigenousCommunities

For more information on Indigenous services in Frankston City visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/IndigenousCommunities

Australia Day Awards 2020: Nominations open soon

If you know an outstanding member of the community who deserves to be recognised for their contribution to Frankston City, nominations for the Frankston City Australia Day Awards 2020 open in August. Winners will be announced on Australia Day in four categories: Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Senior Citizen of the Year and Community Event of

the Year. Nomination forms are available from Council Customer Service Centres or on the website: frankston.vic.gov.au

Nominations close 5pm, Friday 25 October. Please mail all nominations to the Councillors Office, Frankston City Council, PO Box 490, Frankston VIC 3199 or email: councillors.office@frankston.vic.gov.au



Our 2019 winners, from left, Young Citizen of the Year, Alicia Goldsworthy, Senior Citizen of the Year, Dr John Dickman, Citizen of the Year, Lauren Hornby

Frankston City Best Street Award: Nominate your street today

We want to celebrate and reward our city's best 'community-minded' streets. To enter, explain in 250 words or less why your street is the best in Frankston City, focusing on what makes your street friendly, how the residents of your street look after each other, how presentable and tidy your street is and how you and your neighbours add value to your community and the environment.

Aside from being celebrated and recognised, participants will go into the draw to win an exclusive street sign and a range of other exciting prizes. Finalist will also be invited to attend a special award ceremony and take part in a photoshoot and

feature article for Frankston City News.

Nomination forms can be downloaded from our website. Email your completed nomination form and supporting documentation using the subject heading 'Community Street' to: info@frankston.vic.gov.au

Hard copies are available at all Council Customer Service Centres. Please hand your completed form back to our customer experience staff once completed.

Entries are open now and close at 5pm, Friday 23 August. For terms and conditions, visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/BestStreet



Have you had your flu shot?

Make sure you and your family are protected this flu season. Head to any Council-run immunisation session or to your local GP for your flu shot today. The flu shot is free for over 65s, pregnant women and children under five. Visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/Immunisation

Refreshed and ready for hire

It's always great to get together with friends, family or your local community group and enjoy a good time, and we have plenty of venues around the city available for hire. There are 12 Council-affiliated facilities available for private functions, community and club activities, such as classes, workshops, seminars and more.

To ensure these facilities are in tip-top shape for any occasion, Council has invested more than \$150,000 to upgrade four popular venues.

Seaford Community Centre, Langwarrin Hall, Frankston Mechanics Institute and Bruce Park Hall have all recently received a facelift. Works varied across sites, and included polishing floors, air conditioning installation, new furniture, external and internal painting, curtain and lighting replacement and more. For more information on hiring a hall in Frankston City, visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/VenueHire

School holiday fun

Need ideas to keep the kids busy these school holidays? There is plenty going on in Frankston City, including activities and entertainment for all ages at Frankston City libraries, Frankston Arts Centre and much more. For inspiration, visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/SchoolHolidays.



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The best possible start for little learners

Council provides support and training for parents, guardians or grandparents of children from birth to six years of age and their families. This professional, family-centred primary health service is universal, culturally welcoming and free of charge for Frankston City residents.

Programs include understanding baby cues, toilet training, introducing your child to books and language, sleep and settling and much more. A full calendar of programs and events happening near you from July to December is available on our website, visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/ParentEducationPrograms



Extra support for breastfeeding mums

A new Council-operated breastfeeding drop in clinic complement services currently offered by Peninsula Health. The clinic was created after Council's Maternal and Child Health (MCH) nurses identified a need for additional support services to help breastfeeding women and their babies in our community.

The clinic will provide a drop-in service or an appointment option and will support women to establish a

breastfeeding routine that works for both mum and bub in those critical first few weeks and months after birth. Clinics will be held weekly on a Thursday morning at the Botany Park Maternal Child Health Centre, staffed by MCH nurses with a special interest in lactation. All Council MCH nurses have joint qualifications in midwifery. For enquiries phone MCH Central Bookings: **9784 1756**

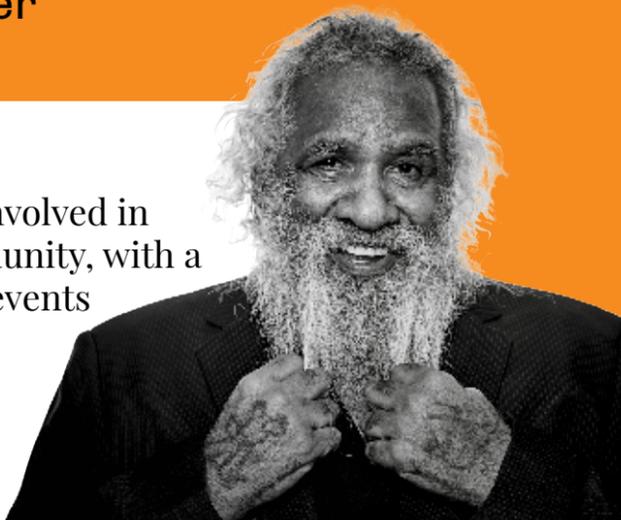
Frankston City Council presents

Frankston Seniors Festival

7-31 October
2019

Get into it!

Get active and involved in your local community, with a full calendar of events designed to give you a taste of all Frankston City has to offer.



The full festival program will be available from September, keep an eye on the Frankston City Council website for more information.



North-West Ward Residents Meeting

Tuesday 3 September, 7-9pm
Orwil Street Community House, 16 Orwil Street, Frankston

South Ward Residents Meeting

Tuesday 8 October, 7-9pm
Frankston South Community and Recreation Centre,
55 Towerhill Road, Frankston South

Come along to meet some of your Councillors and have your say on issues affecting your suburb.



Keast Park shade structure



The new footpath at Beauty Park

Delivering key facilities at our parks and playgrounds

Our combined \$420,000 investment to improve amenities in two local parks has provided much-needed facilities for park-goers.

The construction of a shade structure over the sandpit in Keast Park, Seaford and a new toilet block located at the end of Bay Trail near the playground in Beauty Park, Frankston are now ready for use. The shade structure was a \$70,000 investment from Council, to help make this a more family-friendly play area. The remaining \$350,000 investment in accessible toilet facilities for Beauty

Park users was part of Council's Public Toilet Action Plan, which guides the implementation of safe, accessible and environmentally responsible public toilets for the community.

Works are also underway to rejuvenate the existing walking path, which is being constructed using exposed aggregate to make it more suitable for wheelchair users.

For more information on works happening in Frankston City, visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/NotificationofWorks

Hard waste 2018–2019: That's a wrap

Thank you to all Frankston City residents for their cooperation with the 2019 annual hard waste collection. Concluding as planned by the end of June, we removed 8,848 mattresses, 297 fridges, more than 100 tonnes of green waste, 960 tonnes of scrap metal and 4,200 tonnes of hard waste — a slight increase in most streams from previous collections.

Frankston City Mayor, Cr Michael O'Reilly, praised residents' willingness to comply with collection rules.

"Thanks to residents' cooperation, we have concluded another successful hard rubbish sweep of Frankston City. Our compliance officers reported very few infringements across the municipality and I would like to thank everyone for doing their part," Cr O'Reilly says.

For anyone who has any extra items they wish to dispose of, you can do so all year round at the Frankston Regional Recycling and Recovery Centre (FRRRC), visit: FRRRC.com.au

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Revitalising Station Street Mall

We are transforming Station Street Mall into a safe and welcoming public space for you to enjoy, with works expected to be complete in mid-October.

The revitalised space, part of our Connecting Malls Project, will create a great new spot to meet, socialise and shop, while connecting the Frankston Station to Bayside and Shannon Mall. The mall remains open to shoppers at all times during the works.

The project is a \$1.63 million investment in our local shopping precinct and part of our push to make Frankston City the Lifestyle Capital of Victoria. The design incorporates all the valuable feedback provided by you during consultation.

Key features include:

- New decorative lighting to create a welcoming and safe atmosphere

- New CCTV cameras to complement the city centre's existing CCTV network
- Increased greening via large circular planters. The planting will reinforce connections to the Station Precinct, define spaces within the mall, maintain passive surveillance view lines and strengthen local coastal identity
- New central timber deck and seating to support outdoor dining and small events such as busking, pop-up activations and small food vendors

The project is funded by Council, (\$1.17 million), the Victorian Government, (\$360,000), and Bayside Shopping Centre, (\$100,000), and forms part of the Frankston Station Precinct Revitalisation Project. For more information, visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/ConnectingMallsProject



While we work to improve Station Street Mall, our crews may need to complete some works outside of business hours. Works will likely occur between 7am and 5pm weekdays, with some weekend and public holiday work as required. We will limit any inconvenience to pedestrians, local traders and city residents wherever possible.

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Federal Election 2019: A new Member for Dunkley

Council is delighted to welcome newly-elected Federal Member for Dunkley, Peta Murphy, following the May 2019 federal election.

As the first female Member for Dunkley, we look forward to seeing and supporting the positive impact Peta will undoubtedly make empowering women, promoting equality and encouraging female participation in our local community. Council will continue advocating to the Victorian Government and Federal Government to ensure these and other vital projects proceed, to help establish Frankston City as the Lifestyle Capital of Victoria.

Council also thanks outgoing Member Chris Crewther for his service from 2016–2019. “We have appreciated the time and effort Chris has contributed towards ensuring vital local projects are included in the 2019–2020 Federal Budget or were to be funded if elected.”

The elected Morrison Federal Government committed to many projects within Frankston City, including:

- Expanding the Jubilee Park Indoor Stadium
- Car parking at Frankston, Kananook and Seaford stations
- Electrifying the Stony Point rail line from Frankston to Hastings
- A City Deal in the South East Melbourne region, including a catalyst development in Frankston City



Frankston City Mayor met with Peta Murphy in June to discuss local projects.

How did the electorate of Dunkley get its name?

The federal seat of Dunkley is named in honour of Louisa Margaret Dunkley (1866-1927), a feminist who campaigned for equal pay for women workers in the Victorian public service.

She also founded the Victorian Women's Post and Telegraph Association, continuing her advocacy for equal pay.



The electorate of Dunkley was created in 1984, named after the incredible contribution Louisa made towards equality in the public service.

Fantastic forum

Thanks to everyone who joined us for the Council's Dunkley Candidates Forum on Wednesday 15 May at Functions by the Bay.

This was a fantastic opportunity for not only those who attended the event, but also those watching from home via Council's Facebook livestream, to hear directly from candidates ahead of the election. You can view the Dunkley Candidates Forum video on our Facebook page:



[facebook.com/FrankstonCityCouncil](https://www.facebook.com/FrankstonCityCouncil)

frankston.vic.gov.au/Advocacy

Key project updates

Expansion of Jubilee Park Indoor Stadium

The outcome of the federal election leaves a funding shortfall. Council will work with the Victorian Government, Federal Member for Dunkley, and the Federal Government to ensure this project is fully-funded and delivered.



Electrification of the Stony Point line from Frankston

A preliminary business case is currently being completed by the Victorian Government and is expected to be relocated in the coming months. Both Federal Government and Federal Opposition are supportive of this vital rail infrastructure project.

Revitalisation of Frankston's city centre

The Morrison Government has committed to:

- Commuter car parking at Frankston (600), Kananook (100) and Seaford (100) Stations
- A South East Melbourne (SEM) regional City Deal

Tennis and gymnastics centre at Centenary Park

Council is working with all stakeholders on options moving forward, with the desire to remain on course for a future regional multi-sport facility.

Victoria budgets for Frankston City What it will deliver for us

The Victorian Budget was handed-down on Monday 27 May by Victorian Treasurer Tim Pallas, with a number of important projects in Frankston City receiving funding.

Budget allocations for Frankston City include:

- **\$6 million** to plan the redevelopment of Frankston Hospital
- **\$4.366 million** towards 19 local primary and secondary schools, including:
 - **\$4.366 million** Frankston North Education Precinct
 - **\$613,000** Ballam Park Primary School
 - **\$717,000** Kingsley Park Primary School
 - **\$1.286 million** Mount Erin Secondary College
 - **\$1.586 million** Carrum Downs Secondary College
 - **\$3.012 million** Seaford North Primary School

- **\$546,000** Skye Primary School

\$124.073 million for Frankston Line stabling at Kananook

\$400,000 to plan for the removal of roundabouts along Westernport Highway, Skye (part of a \$54.3 million project)

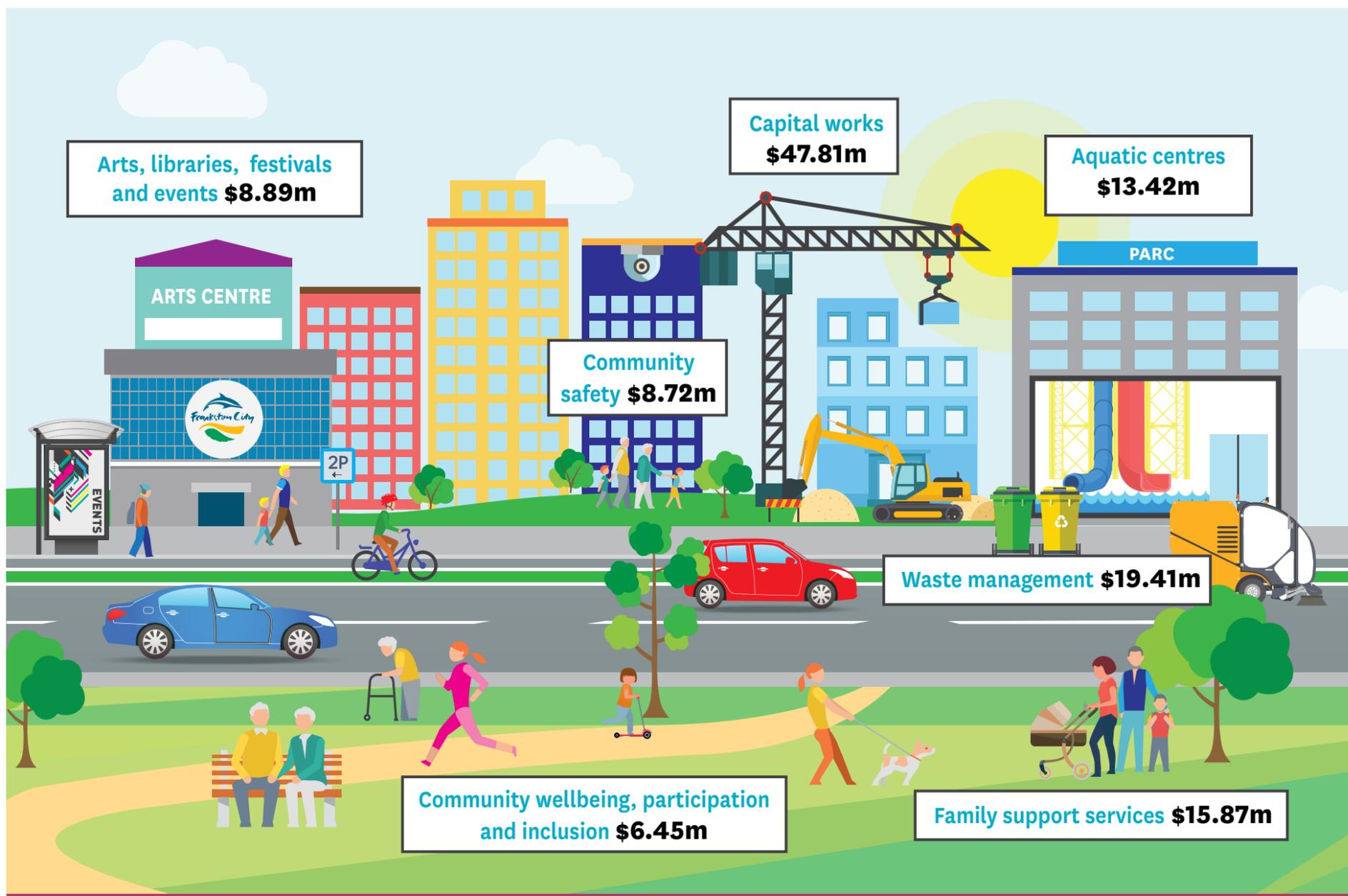
A share in **\$3.5 million** to revitalise the Frankston Station Precinct including preliminary work to deliver a GovHub and Innovation Hub

New and upgraded parks in Frankston and Seaford Wetlands

\$2.3 million to make the intersection of Lyrebird Drive and Ballarto Road in Carrum Downs safer.

Council welcomes the Victorian Government's investment in our community and we look forward to working together to deliver these and other vital projects.

Total budget available \$219.19 million



Key infrastructure projects:

Overport Park Pavilion, car park and pathways

\$3.335 million

(\$3.135 million Council contribution)

Ballam Park – Soccer Pavilion

\$2.9 million

(\$2.5 million Council contribution)

RF Miles Recreation Reserve pavilion

\$2 million (grant funding)

Monterey Reserve pavilion

\$1.3 million (grant funding)

Orwill Street Community House extension

\$700,000

(Council fully-funded)

Jubilee Park netball centre

\$600,000

(Council fully-funded)

Centenary Park sporting complex

\$500,000

(Council fully-funded)

Roads and bridges

\$4.7 million

(\$4.105 million Council contribution)

Pathways, including footpaths and shared pathways

\$1.545 million

(Council fully-funded)

Recreational, leisure and community facilities

\$6.731 million

(\$4.331 million Council contribution) and includes:

- Frankston Park Oval
- Delacombe Park lighting, Sporting ground playing surface renewal

- \$1.24 million in playground renewal

Local area traffic management

\$2.15 million

(\$1.3 million Council contribution) and includes:

- Seaford,
- Sweetwater Precinct
- Woodlands and Fairway Precincts

Parks, open space and streetscapes

\$6.201 million

(\$5.753 million Council contribution) and includes:

- Replacing street lights with LED lighting,
- Clyde Street Mall and Station Street Mall upgrades
- Laneway activation
- Shade sails,

- Gateway developments
- Public art and fencing

Frankston City Council
Annual Budget

2019 – 2020
Adopted on Monday 20 May 2019

Lifestyle Capital of Victoria



To view the full budget, visit:
[frankston.vic.gov.au/Annual Budget](http://frankston.vic.gov.au/Annual%20Budget)

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How rates are calculated

Rates are calculated based on property value. Landholders with lower-valued properties pay less rates than owners of higher-valued properties.

Total rates and municipal charges raised by Frankston City complies with the **2.5 per cent** rate cap set by the Victorian Government, increasing from \$96,073,612 in 2018–2019 to \$99,312,163 in 2019–2020.

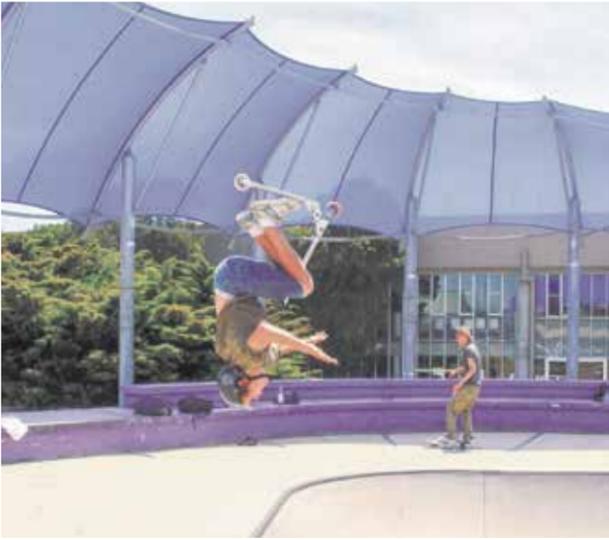
The median **residential** valuation in Frankston City has **decreased** from \$606,240 in 2018–2019 to \$569,763 in 2019–2020.

The median **commercial** valuation in Frankston City has **increased** from \$1,260,097 in 2018–2019 to \$1,318,459 in 2019–2020.

The median industrial valuation in Frankston City has **increased** from \$564,742 in 2018–2019 to \$607,749 in 2019–2020

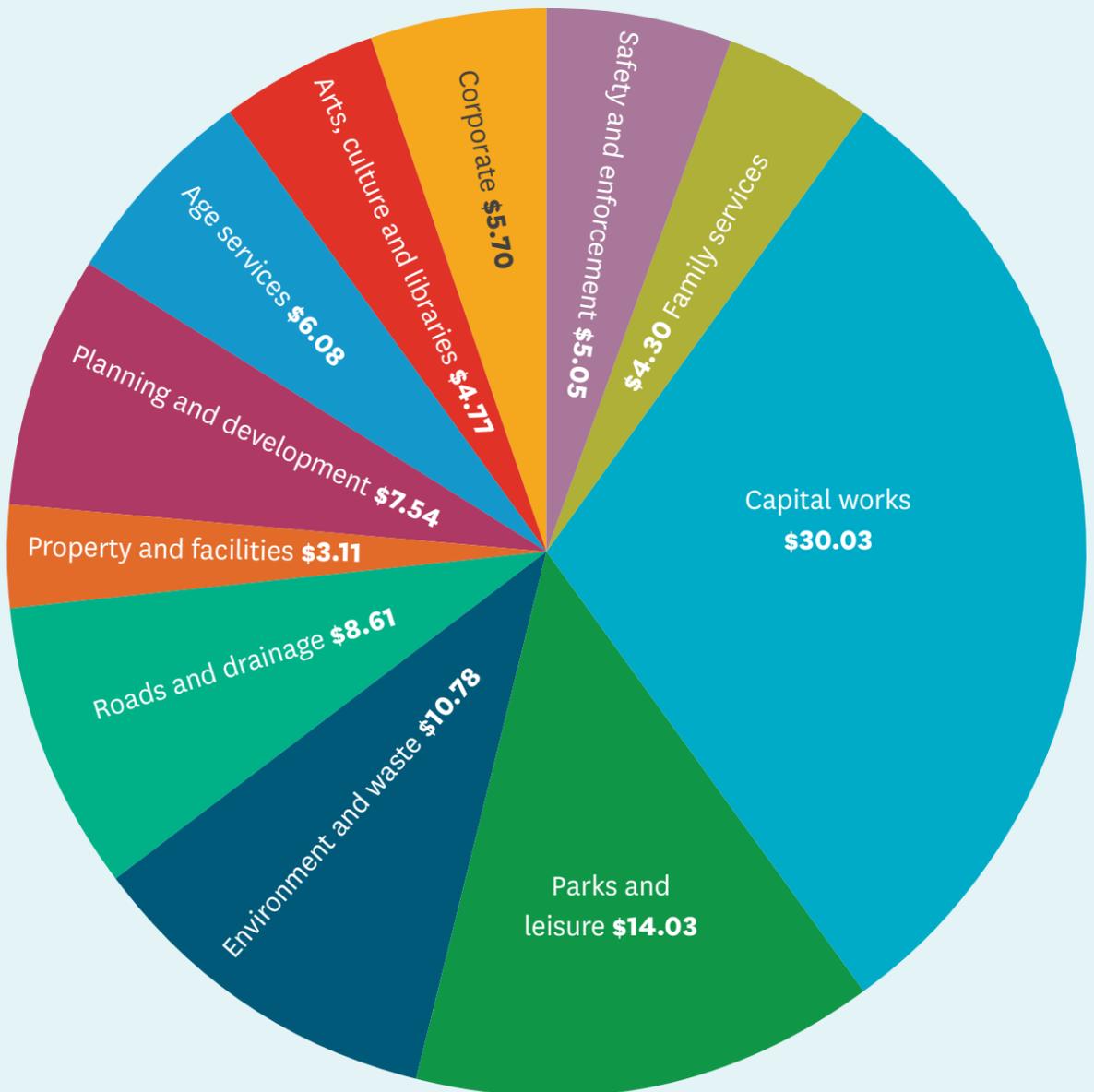
Rates and charges contribute 66 per cent of Council's budgeted income.

For more information, visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/Rates



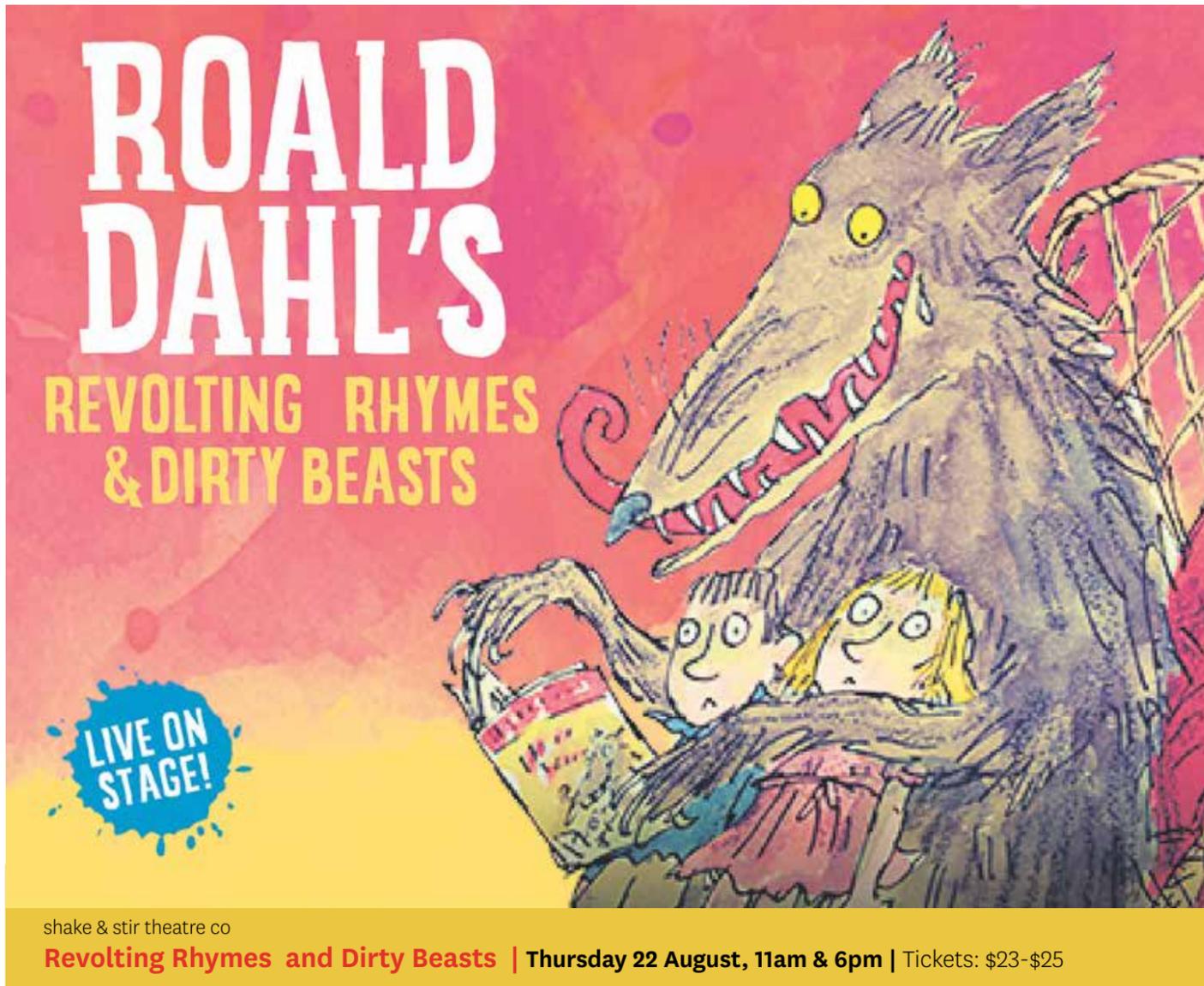
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Council expenditure to deliver services to the community, for every \$100 invested.



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Art

FAC Open Exhibition

Women in Art: Call for entries

Applications close: Sunday 28 July

Exhibition: 9 August to 6 September

Enter at: fac.com.au



Music

Promac Productions

Caruso to Carreras:

The Great Tenors -

Friday 16 August, 10.30am and 1.30pm

Tickets: \$19-\$21



Music

The Little Red Company and Critical Stages

Lady Beatle

Thursday 12 September, 8pm

Tickets: \$27-\$59



Comedy

HIT Productions

My Brilliant Divorce

Saturday 14 September, 7.30pm

Tickets: \$27-\$59

What's On at Frankston City libraries



Justin Heazlewood
author of **Get Up Mum**
Saturday 27 July, 1pm
Frankston Library, FREE,
bookings essential

Justin is an award-winning writer, musician and comedian. His entertaining memoir *Get Up Mum* is about coming of age.

Live Music Sundays

Green Fieldz — 21 July

Leigh Sloggett — 4 August

Nota Bene — 18 August
Nathan Varga — 1 September
Frankston Library, 1.30pm,
FREE, no booking required

Anna Snoekstra author
of **The Spite Game**
Saturday 13 July, 1pm
Frankston Library, FREE,
bookings essential

Anna is the bestselling author of four novels that explore themes of identity and belonging.



Science Week: Destination Moon

Live Science Show Fizzics Education
— Saturday 10 August, 11am

Astronomy Talk with Dr Peter Skilton
— Wednesday 14 August, 6pm

Frankston Library, FREE,
bookings required

Melbourne Writers Festival: Author talk

Saturday 7 September 1pm
FREE – bookings essential

Guest author at Frankston Library.

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Living in nature

We are very fortunate in Frankston City to share the unique lifestyle attributes of coastal beaches, inner city bustle and country charm. It is these qualities, combined with affordability, transport connectivity and infrastructure that is drawing people to relocate their family and businesses within our municipality. Although Frankston City is experiencing exponential growth in population and housing, it is important that we don't lose our natural environmental charm.

At the 13 May 2019 Ordinary Meeting, we adopted the Living Melbourne: Our Metropolitan Urban Forest Strategy, which acts as a business case for nature as a driver of urban resilience and liveability. The strategy has been developed by The Nature Conservancy and Resilient Melbourne, with input from metropolitan councils of which Frankston City Council has been heavily involved.

Its vision and goals are to ensure communities are resilient and connected through nature. This is consistent with Frankston City's Urban Forest Policy and provides an overarching guide for the development of the Frankston Urban Forest Action Plan. This is another exciting step Council is taking to ensure Frankston City maintains its natural environmental charm.



Food for Thought

To celebrate World Environment Day, Council hosted a Food for Thought Mini Fair at Frankston Arts Centre on Saturday 1 June. The event was a great opportunity for residents to hear from special guest Matthew Evans, presenter and popular Gourmet Farmer on SBS, with tips and a live cooking demonstration on creating great meals that are good for the environment and you. Council is a strong advocate for Frankston City's sustainable future and we have many projects and programs centred on ensuring we limit our environmental impact. The fair was a wonderful opportunity to provide our community with useful, practical and easy to implement tips to ensure we are all doing our part.



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Project X Change

Project X Change is a great opportunity for service clubs and Council to come together to swap ideas and really look at how we can all work together for a better Frankston City. We're all working on projects to enhance our community and these quarterly meetings can identify possible partnership opportunities and builds on the relationships between clubs and Council to enhance and strengthen our community.

Traditionally, Project X Change has included representatives from our Rotary Clubs, Probus Clubs and Lions Club, however our next meeting will also include the Country Women's Association, which is exciting. It's fantastic to hear of the great work our clubs are doing in Frankston City through their volunteering and fundraising efforts.

The future of Green Wedge management

Council's draft Green Wedge Management Plan 2019 is the strategy for the ongoing protection and management of Frankston City's Green Wedge area. Council voted at the Monday 23 April Ordinary Council Meeting to release the draft Green Wedge Management Plan 2019 for public exhibition and comment.

The draft plan provides a vision for the next 20 years, for the management of this important asset. Community feedback closed in June and I would like to thank all those who contributed. We are in the process of reviewing and incorporating your views and will release the final management plan in the coming weeks.



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Thank you to our amazing volunteers



I was thrilled to attend our Volunteer Appreciation event in late May, as part of National Volunteer Week. I provided certificates of appreciation and commemorative badges to our Frankston Visitor Information Centre (FVIC) volunteers, who donate their time every day to promoting all there is to do and see in this wonderful city of ours. In the last financial year alone, our 30 FVIC volunteers contributed 4,953 hours to our tourism industry, valued at almost \$173,000 and assisted over 30,000 visitors. As impressive as these figures are, the contribution of all of our volunteers cannot be measured. We have people generously donating their time, knowledge, energy and enthusiasm to multiple roles across Frankston City and many vital community projects and support services would be unable to function without them.

Investing in our green spaces

The final stage of works at the popular McClelland Reserve is nearing completion. Improvements began earlier this year and include a new paved car park for the reserve, and a small reduction in the fenced area used by the Frankston Dog Obedience Club and dog off-leash grounds. The significantly improved car park for reserve users has provided better drainage and pathways to the soccer facilities and the provision of solar powered lighting to provide a safer evening walk to the car park. There is also a new ticket box shelter at the main entrance, a beautiful mural in the obedience club pavilion and fenced dog training and competition compounds within the obedience club grounds, for a total Council investment of just over one million dollars. These latest upgrades will complement the almost-complete McClelland shared user path improving pedestrian access by connecting the footpath to the reserve's new car park. This is a much-loved and well utilised green space for residents and visitors and we have worked hard to ensure it continues to be a safe, enjoyable and user-friendly space for local sporting clubs, dog lovers and the community to enjoy.



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Considering car parking

It's no secret that car parking is front-of-mind for many residents and visitors when shopping or eating out in Frankston's city centre. To help to address this issue and ensure the city centre remains the go-to for entertainment and commerce, Council is seeking to establish a Frankston City Council Working Group. The group will provide independent recommendations for improving Council-owned car parking pricing, supply and management in Frankston's city centre. This is a significant step towards improving the availability and affordability of car parking for the area. The group's investigations include, but are not limited to:

- Expanding the car parking supply-demand model across the city centre
- Forecasting growth rates in demand for car parking over the next decade
- A user needs analysis including price sensitivity, substitution options and market competition
- Expert advice on best practise solutions, case studies and car parking management technologies

We will keep you updated on the group's establishment in the coming months.

A passion for fundraising



In May, Council officers joined together for a Biggest Morning Tea fundraiser, to help the Cancer Council provide support to those impacted by cancer. From cakes and scones to fruit and pies, Council staff enjoyed the opportunity to meet up with colleagues from across the organisation, have some tasty treats, while helping this important cause.

We are passionate about supporting those who support others, and our staff has dedicated many hours over many years to raising funds for various charities and not-for-profit organisations. This year alone, we have thrown our support behind more than 18 fundraising and awareness events, raising funds for those in need. I am proud of the dedication and generosity of staff and look forward to supporting future fundraisers.

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Local Law to regulate Short Stay Rental Accommodation

Due to the rise in popularity of Short Stay Rental accommodation and the use of this accommodation for parties, many residents in South Ward have been seeking assistance from Council to minimise the impact and risk of occupant behaviour affecting the peace and enjoyment of their homes and local area. It was apparent from the residents that the effect of this unregulated short stay rental accommodation has the potential to cause severe interference and stress to nearby families.

While it is acknowledged that most operators of this type of accommodation manage their property appropriately and act in a responsible manner, the level of community concern has been so significant, it was clear Council needed to be more proactive in combatting rogue operators.

Mornington Peninsula Shire Council implemented a Local Law to regulate short stay rental accommodation more than a year ago and, at a recent collaborative Frankston City and Mornington Peninsula Shire Council working group meeting, attested to the success of the implementation of the Law. The Local Law places the responsibility for occupant behaviour on the owner of the property, through the implementation of enforceable controls.

Following the discussion with (MPSC), I introduced a Notice of Motion to create a Local Law to regulate Short Stay Rental Accommodation across Frankston City which was supported by Council. The Local Law is to be implemented by December 2019, and will provide clear guidelines on the required standards for the operation of this type of accommodation.

The objectives of the Local Law, will replicate those of the MPSC, namely:

- Regulate and control the use of Short Stay Rental Accommodation within the municipality of Frankston
- Ensure an appropriate standard of management and presentation of such accommodation
- Minimise the risk of such accommodation affecting neighbouring properties and the peace of neighbours
- Implement a registration requirement and
- Provide for a Code of Conduct under the Local Law

Placing the onus on the property owner to control and be responsible for the behaviour of occupants at the dwelling, will limit the ability for occupants to engage in unacceptable behaviours, which undeniably impact the quality of life for those in neighbouring dwellings and make the property owner accountable for whom they rent their accommodation.

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Further improving city safety

At Frankston City Council, we are dedicated to supporting our young people to connect and thrive within our community. We are very aware of recent issues with certain groups of individuals causing a public disturbance in Station Street and the city centre. This has been a source of distress for traders in the area and to pedestrians. I want to reassure everyone that our Youth Services team is working together with Victoria Police and other local youth service providers to tackle this complex issue. There is no single solution to this issue. We always want our traders and shoppers to feel safe on our streets. We also know many young people face issues at home such as family violence and drug use that impacts their behaviour and development and we are passionate about providing them with the help they need. To this end we are undertaking many different approaches, to ensure not just short-term relief but long-term positive outcomes for all involved. We will have an ongoing, active presence in Station Street and provide conflict training to local traders. We will also work with youth who are involved with the juvenile court system, while encouraging access to programs providing opportunities to learn, have fun and connect. This is an ongoing issue and we will continue to provide updates as we progress.

Works commenced on homeless shower



Works have begun on installing a public shower and change facility for those in need at the Comfort Station on Nepean Highway. This life-changing project was jointly-funded by Council and the Federal Government at a combined cost of \$31,000. I thank outgoing Federal Member Chris Crewther for the hard work he put into securing this contribution prior to the election.

The shower is an important piece of the puzzle when it comes to caring for our city's most vulnerable, and will have a positive impact on the lives of people who would otherwise may not have access to basic facilities such as a hot water, soap and a clean towel. Things many of us take for granted. I am honored to have been able help deliver this vital community initiative, and look forward to the shower officially opening later this year.

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Welcoming a new tide of traders

I have noted a growing number of boutique bars and eateries springing up across Seaford and surrounds, in particular new craft beer and boutique whiskey establishments. Since 2017, we have welcomed Council Business Grant winners, Mr Banks Brewing Co. and industry distillery, That Spirited Lot to Seaford and most recently a micro-brewery to open shortly in New Street, Frankston. This new tide of boutique liquor traders has provided a welcome boost to the local economy in the form of increased tourism, employment and trade and I am thrilled these businesses have chosen a local spot to call home.

Historic bluestone retained and repurposed

Last year, Council resolved to retain bluestone from decommissioned bluestone toilets. The bluestone has considerable heritage value and, with this in mind, I was successful in having the Council commit the stone to future landscaping works in our playgrounds and reserves. This repurposing includes the creation of outdoor seating at the Ballam Park Soccer Pavilion, currently under construction. I am proud to have contributed, not only to the preservation of this historic material but to ensuring we reduce our wastage and recycle these materials for the benefit of future generations.

Safety issues at former Ambassador site

The former Ambassador Hotel, first built in the 1980s, changed management arrangements in 2009. Individual strata owners manage their various studio and two bedroom units within the complex for short-term accommodation. Council has received several complaints about the site becoming a centre for antisocial behaviour, which is naturally a cause for concern among nearby residents and businesses. In 2017, Council undertook a survey of 254 residents living within 200 metres of the Ambassador site. Results showed more than 38 per cent strongly agreed their enjoyment of the neighbourhood was impacted by the behaviour of complex occupants. Almost 30 per cent did not feel safe in the neighbourhood at night and 72 per cent had called the police to report illegal behaviour in or near the site.

Council officers therefore audited the premises and issued infringements in a number of cases. Current planning permits state this accommodation cannot be used as a permanent place of residence and we are vigorously enforcing this condition. Council issued a planning permit in 2018 for the vacant lot to be developed into a service station. One condition I insisted on for this planned development was the installation of a pan-tilt infrared CCTV unit and this was agreed upon by the applicant. This is just one of the many safety measures we have taken.

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All hail 760

The 760 bus link between Cranbourne Station and Seaford station is now operating! It is a long-awaited east west public transport link that connects Cranbourne, Carrum Downs, Skye and Seaford, providing an important connector for communities, recreation and employment. For many, this will make it viable to avoid parking dilemmas, leave the car at home, take the bus and link up by train at Seaford for either the Frankston or Melbourne lines.

Victory for the people



Recently, an area of open space bounded by Fletcher Road, Evelyn Street and Nepean Hwy — a valuable area of green space was the subject of an attempted land grab by a developer. Over 4 million plump, tantalising dollars were dangled in front of council's ever-widening eyes, to tempt us toward capitulation. Result? It didn't work! Council, had the solid good sense to recognise that green space for people is now an absolute premium. It is public land and belongs to the people of our community. Not to be bargained for like replaceable merchandise at an End of Financial Year clearance sale or haggled over like a stray oddment at a Sunday market. The community's right to have public space upheld, protected and revered and for local Councils to act as responsible custodians is fundamental to sound governance and securing a better outcome, both now and for future generations.



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Our Youth Council leading the way

Our Youth Council does so much to help make Frankston City a great place to live, not only for our younger residents but for everyone. So often our youth are cast as the troublemakers, selfish, technology-obsessed and forever bored and in need of entertainment. What I have seen time and again from our young residents, shines a very different light on our young people. They are passionate, engaged and always ready to get stuck in to help others. At present, for example, our Youth Council is focussing their efforts on helping those in need across Frankston City. They are seeking donations from local businesses to help them supply around 75 'kindness kits' of toiletries and food to those experiencing homelessness. In mid-July, the group also volunteered at the John Paul College food van and will soon volunteer their time at a Frankston Churches Community Breakfast Club. These important community services help to ensure our most vulnerable residents have at least their basic needs met day-to-day and I am so incredibly proud of our Youth Council's involvement. I am excited to see what else these amazing individuals can achieve in 2019 and beyond.

Seaford's community gardens and markets

Council also recently voted in favour of establishing a Kananook Creek Community Garden, and a shed for use by Seaford Farmers Market organisers at Kananook Reserve. Community Gardens have been shown to have health and wellbeing benefits through the growing of fruit and vegetables as well as building community connections for people in the local area. Similarly, the Seaford Farmers Market has been operating monthly since 2007 adding vibrancy to the Kananook Creek Reserve. The market also provides an opportunity for residents to connect and purchase fresh produce — so I was thrilled to support both initiatives.

Supporting equal access to sport

I am passionate about local clubs that support and promote equal access to all types of community activities. The Kananook Sports Club is one such organisation, whose mission is to ensure people with intellectual disabilities can realise their passion for Australian Rules football. The club is based at Kananook Reserve and we are proud to have invested \$490,000 to upgrade existing pavilion facilities. The refurbished pavilion was opened in June and includes female-friendly and accessible change rooms for players and umpires and a new accessible public toilet. This new facility will not only benefit Kananook Sports Club but all clubs and members of the community who use this amenity.

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Sending your food waste to farmers — not landfill

Our new food waste collection service launches in October, and will significantly reduce our city's environmental footprint. Food makes up around 48 per cent of the waste in your rubbish bin — a significant impact on landfills and our environment.

The service will divert food and garden waste away from landfill, which is then treated and turned into compost for Aussie farmers. This will reduce waste and provide a safe, organic fertilising option for the food you consume, while reducing water use. In the coming months, we will be asking all households to register their request for a free kitchen caddy and/or compostable caddy liners ahead of the service launch. From October, you can put your food scraps together

with garden waste in your green waste bin for collection each fortnight.

Food waste is a huge problem globally. This is our chance to make a significant difference as a community and to lead the way for change more broadly. Of course the best way to ensure we keep our impact on the environment to a minimum is to reduce our consumption. There are many ways you can shrink your food wastage, before it gets to the bin. Simple household changes such as correct food storage, meal planning, using leftovers and portion control reduce the amount of food being thrown out to begin with and save you money. For more tips on sustainable living, visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/EnvironmentandWaste



Hot tips for a cosy winter

In these cold wintery weeks, consider cooking roasts, casseroles and other meals that require the oven. Using your oven will also heat up your kitchen area helping keep your home that bit warmer.

And before you crank up the heater, consider putting on warmer clothes, slippers, closing curtains and blinds and shutting doors to areas in your house that don't need to be warmed. Did you know that every degree of

heating above 20°C will increase your energy costs by up to 10 percent? Also maintain your heater to ensure it is operating safely and efficiently.

Other ways for keeping your house cosy is to block up any gaps around doors or windows. This will stop the warm air escaping and prevent cold drafts of air getting in. For more energy saving ideas this winter, visit: sustainability.vic.gov.au

Gardens for Wildlife: Habitat Gardening Workshop

Sunday 25 August, 10am–12pm, Mechanics Hall, 1N Plowman place, Frankston, FREE, bookings essential

Your garden, regardless of its size, can be turned into a beautiful wildlife retreat for you and our local fauna to enjoy. Private gardens can provide a vital link to reconnecting our highly fragmented natural environment. Our backyard can be designed to provide the key needs such as food, shelter and water that our local wildlife depend on.

Come along to our Habitat Gardening Workshop and hear from local wildlife careers Janet and Paula, who will show you how to design and maintain your garden in a wildlife-friendly way. You will be surprised to learn about the variety of wildlife that can utilise, visit or permanently live in our gardens. For more information, visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/EnvironmentalEvents



Plastic Free July

Choose to refuse single-use plastic this July

Plastic Free July challenges us to avoid single-use plastic items, designed to be used once then thrown away. You can get involved by saying no to plastic bags, disposable water bottles, straws, takeaway coffee cups, straws or all single-use plastics. Take the challenge for a day, a week or the entire month of July.

While some single-use (disposable) plastic items can be recycled, others take up unnecessary space in landfill or become litter. Plastic Free July aims to raise awareness about the amount of single-use plastic in our daily lives. It encourages us to create new habits and be a part of the solution. To find out more or get involved, visit: plasticfreejuly.org.



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NEW! Environmental Sustainability Grants

We have added Environmental Sustainability Grants to our ongoing program of community, business, tourism and related grants, helping to support amazing endeavours across Frankston City.

The new grants are valued at up to \$1,000 and aim to support community organisations and projects that align with our strategic vision for a sustainable city.

Please note, grants are for not-for-profit community groups or organisations. Individuals, businesses and schools are not eligible. There is no cut-off for applications, so you can apply throughout the year. Visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/MiscellaneousGrants

Key grant themes:

- Protecting and enhancing natural assets
- Wise use of natural resources
- Minimising environmental impacts
- Educating and engaging the community



Local resident Sandra is now a keen composter after attending one of our sessions last year



‘Greening our Future’ events calendar coming soon

The final touches are being made to the next six-monthly calendar of events, out soon.

Free sessions on a range of themes help empower you to live a more environmentally-friendly lifestyle. Events will cover popular topics including composting and worm farming. After attending a composting and worm farming session last year, Sandra from Langwarrin (pictured) was inspired. She had tried composting unsuccessfully in the past, but with her new found knowledge she’s now a star with compost and worms! Some tips Sandra found especially helpful:

- Add soil and manure, for example chook poo, to get it going
 - Cut up large items into smaller pieces to break down faster
 - Put in a good balance of nitrogen rich items, for example veggie scraps, coffee grounds, tea leaves and carbon items such as dry grass, egg shells, egg cartons, shredded paper
 - Above all, turn it regularly to aerate
- Remember, if you don’t eat it, your garden will. Keep an eye on the Council website for more information in the coming weeks.

Reducing food waste: Quick tips

Did you know, each year Victorian households throw out enough bread, pastry and biscuits to fill six Eiffel Towers? The good news is a lot of this food waste can be avoided. For instance:

Bread: Remember to store in the freezer, and avoid over purchasing. Stale bread is also great in recipes as breadcrumbs or croutons.

Pastry: Make sure you freeze any excess pastry — handy to have if you want to use up excess fruit.

Biscuits: Too stale for that cup of tea? Try crumbing over ice-cream or use as a cake base.

For more ideas to reduce food waste, visit:

lovefoodhatewaste.vic.gov.au

Subscribe to EnviroNews to stay up-to-date with all of our sustainability initiatives, events and tips, visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/environews

Greening Frankston City one wall at a time

What will hopefully be the first of many ‘green walls’ across Frankston City will soon be installed at the Civic Centre in Davey Street, Frankston.

The mesh wall will be installed on the western side of the building, as part of a pilot program to encourage other local building owners to install green walls. The structure will create a level of protection and help to reduce heat gain into the building, thereby reducing the building’s energy consumption.

The Civic Centre wall will gradually take shape in the coming months and years, as a mix of exotic and native flowering climbers grow over

the tensile mesh. Species include, Virginia Creeper, Wonga Wonga Vine, Evergreen Star Jasmine and Dusky Coral Pea. Species are especially selected to create a play of light and colour throughout the summer and winter months and are maintained easily from ground.

In large numbers, green walls reduce smog and the ‘urban heat island’ effect of built up areas, help to soundproof, create habitats for birds and insects, can improve real estate values and increase foot traffic to public areas among other benefits. For more information on our sustainability initiatives, visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/Environment



Artists impression only, concept design courtesy Marlon Ziebell, Director at Ziebell Landscape Architecture

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IF the future is calling: Look to Frankston City

Frankston City's enviable lifestyle, vibrant energy and ground breaking innovation has put it on the map as the Lifestyle Capital of Victoria, set for unprecedented investment as the ideal location to live, work, study and enjoy time.

Our population growth has been rapid, with forecasts in excess of 155,000 by 2030. As Frankston City suburbs reach higher popularity amongst home buyers and business, there are no signs of this growth subsiding.

With this growth, comes opportunity and Frankston City is well positioned to cater for the future, offering attractive and competitive advantages for investment.

Council collaborates tirelessly with business owners, educators, health services and government to

transform Frankston City into the kind of place where you could see yourself doing business.

Invest Frankston is our commitment to creating the most robust, forward thinking, energetic, exciting and progressive suburb, city, municipality and region in Melbourne.

We aim to become the epicentre of innovation, growth, industry, modernity and thinking – and we're here to support your investment journey.

Now is the perfect time to unleash the next phase of our city's transformation and growth for future generations.

IF the future feels like yours for the taking, Invest Frankston.

Start your journey today

We can help make your dream come true

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of public investment by Victorian and Australian Governments over the next 4 years

Welcome to Invest Frankston

Council hosted a special event in June for those interested in working with us, Victorian and Federal Governments and the local community on leveraging off the major infrastructure investments recently completed or underway in Frankston City.

Almost 100 local property owners, development and industry professionals and investors attended the event where Council launched the new Frankston City Investment Prospectus *Invest Frankston*, with guest speakers including:

- Frankston City Mayor Michael O'Reilly,
- Frankston City Manager Community Relations Sam Jackson,
- Frankston City Manager Planning Michael Papageorgiou,
- Peninsula Health Chief Executive Officer Felicity Topp,

- Monash University Peninsula Campus Professor Vice Chancellor Michael Watchorn

The event gave professionals an insight into the potential investment opportunities available in Frankston City and the support available from Council.

If you share the vision and the passion for what can be, Invest Frankston.

To view Council's recently launched Frankston City Investment Prospectus *Invest Frankston*, visit: **investfrankston.com**

Start your journey today. We can help make your dream come true.

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For more information visit: investfrankston.com

Building a stronger city centre

Frankston City has so many amazing, thriving retail, dining and service-based businesses that make it a great place to live or to visit.

This will only continue to grow in the coming months and years, with around \$407.7 million worth of approved and proposed developments in the works for the city centre and surrounds. Twenty-two already approved permits are about to commence works and a further seven mixed use developments are in planning stages, combining retail, accommodation and office space. Several current major retailers are also planning to expand their presence in Frankston City.

Council is funding smaller incentive projects, including the creation and installation of full size window decals for empty shops in the city centre, featuring images of potential retailers for these vacant spaces. This will not only help to beautify the city centre but also to inspire new businesses to invest in our growing city.

We are also installing pedestrian counters in key sites across Frankston.



Counters will provide us with important data we can use to understand current trade patterns and how we can best support retail activity in the future. Council also has ongoing grants, programs and other resources available to support new and existing businesses across Frankston City.

We will continue working hard to attract continued trade investment in our growing city. Keep an eye on our recently launched Invest Frankston campaign. For more information on how we support local business, visit: frankston.vic.gov.au/Business



Our 2019 Business Grant Program recipients with Mayor, Cr Michael O'Reilly

Start your journey today

The Frankston City Business Grants Program opens soon, helping to start or grow local businesses with a \$120,000 total grant pool and individual business grants of up to \$30,000 available.

The program, held annually since 2012, has awarded grant funding to more than 30 businesses that have gone on to create more than 450 jobs. The grants provide a boost to businesses that demonstrate potential to create employment and contribute to building a resilient, innovative local economy.

Applications open Monday 26 August and close Friday 4 October. For more details, visit frankston.vic.gov.au/BusinessGrants

Applicants will need to demonstrate how their business will accomplish one or more of the following goals:

- Create employment
- Build a resilient local economy through sustainable and diverse industries
- Improve and activate commercial or industrial occupancy precincts
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Frankston City — a hidden pony paradise

There are loads ways to indulge your love for horses in Frankston City, with many local riding clubs offering lessons in excellent facilities and a chance to compete professionally.

The Langwarrin Pony Club is a surprising gem hidden in the Langwarrin's beautiful bushland. The club hosts equestrian events of all descriptions, with facilities including clubrooms, all weather and grass arenas and plenty of walking tracks. The club provides monthly rallies for members and teaches children and young people how to care for their horse and perform in a range of equestrian events. Rallies are held the first Sunday of every month, except January. New members are always welcome with the option of come and try days.

For more information visit: langwarrin.ponyclubvic.org.au

The Peninsula Horse Riders Club (PHRC) was established in 1977 and is one of the founding clubs of the

Horse Riding Clubs Association of Victoria (HRCAV). PHRC is situated at a purpose-built 8.5 hectare Langwarrin Equestrian Recreation Reserve, as co-tenant with Langwarrin Pony Club. PHRC hosts competitions such as dressage and show jumping to raise funds, while enabling members to ride competitively at their home ground. The PHRC provides three large sand arenas and a well-crafted cross country course, which has jumps catering for riders of all levels, including a multi-level water jump.

For more information visit: phrc.webs.com

Founded in 1955, the Mornington Peninsula Pony Club has been located at Baxter Park, Frankston South for over 40 years. Rallies are held on the first Sunday of each month, except January. Facilities include a large cross-country course and the club is equipped to teach show-jumping, dressage and games.

For more information visit: mornpen.ponyclubvic.org.au

Empowering tomorrow's female soccer stars

Madina moved to Australia from Afghanistan three and a half years ago. She travels all the way from Hampton to Frankston to play with female-only soccer club, Southern United Football Club.

"My dad supports me, even though I'm not allowed to play soccer. I am the only girl out of my family to play sport," Madina says.

Fellow Southern United player, Nooria, came to Australia five years ago from Afghanistan with her mother and brother. "My mum never stopped supporting my dream to become a professional soccer player. She hopes I can do what she was never able to do back in Afghanistan.

"I remember when I first fell in love with soccer. I saw five Afghan girls older than me, training. I remember saying to myself 'I want to join these girls. I want to play with them too' and little did I know I would compete against them in Sydney and come back with second place trophy. In my third year, we came back with first place," Nooria says.

Southern United Football Club is a female-only Club competing in the Women's National Premier League. It is the third tier of women's football in Australia, behind the Matilda's and W League.

From left, proud Southern United players Madina and Nooria



"We strive to develop players to become the best they can be, on and off the field. The girls are developed into well-rounded and respectful players and members of our community," Southern United Football Club Club President, Shannon Palmer says.

"We encourage our members to return to their grassroots clubs, to encourage more girls to follow in their footsteps."

Madina says, "At the end of the day I hope I can prove my community wrong — a girl can do whatever she wants to." For more information, visit: southernunitedfc.com.au

Southern Pirates offering pathways into rugby

Southern Districts Rugby Club, often referred to as 'Souths' or 'Southern Pirates', has a proud and strong history within the Victoria Rugby Union community.

The club offers pathways for players from junior right through to senior level. Melbourne Rebels player, Sione Tuipulotu, spent a number of his junior years at the club prior to his

transition to senior rugby. Club President, Nadine Dowie says, "Rugby is a great way to meet new friends, have some fun and a to get in shape. Whether you are new to the game or have taken a break, you could be the clubs next Rebels superstar.

For more information, visit: southerndistrictrugby.club



All women 'on deck' at Frankston Skate Park

Sunday 21 July, 2-3pm, Frankston Skate Park, FREE

To help encourage young women to have a go at skateboarding, the YMCA is now offering FREE skate lessons for budding athletes aged 14 and over at Frankston Skate Park, with sessions conducted every second Sunday.

The one-hour sessions are aimed at beginners and any women interested in refining their skating skills. All equipment is provided and experienced coaches will be on hand to help get you rolling! The program is also a great way to meet other young women interested in skating and a fun

way to get active. Sessions are open to anyone identifying as female or non-binary. For more information, phone: **9769 6579** or email: frankstonskatepark@ymca.org.au or visit: skatepark.ymca.org.au