



Thank you Barbara

Barbara Thompson, of Glen Waverley, has won Monash Council's most prestigious annual award: the Sir John Monash Award for Outstanding Leadership.

SIR JOHN MONASH
AWARDS

Awarded the honour in May, Barbara said it was a total surprise. "I'm just an ordinary person who enjoys doing what I do and I'm the one who gets so much back from doing it," she said.

Over decades, Barbara has contributed to her community through roles with the Glen Waverley Girl Guides Association, the 10th Glen Waverley Scout Group, Glen Waverley Heights and Highvale Primary School Councils and Mother's Clubs, and the Inner East Training Scheme. A former Councillor and Mayor, Barbara is a passionate supporter of the Monash Gallery of Art, serving for 10 years as Chair of The Friends of the Gallery group and currently a trustee of The Monash Gallery of Art Foundation.

Barbara said her work with the Waverley Branch of the Bone Marrow Donor Association had been among the most satisfying. "We raised more than \$300,000, with some of these funds going towards an accommodation house," she said. "It made such a difference to people coping with very difficult health issues and their families."

As a young child growing up in South Australia, she was inspired by her parents' example of volunteering.

"My parents were on lots of committees and I grew up thinking that was just what you did," she said. "When (my husband) John and I moved to Victoria almost 50 years ago we knew no-one. We joined the kinder, school and church groups and suddenly we knew lots of people and became part of the community.

"I'm proud of this city: it's a great place offering so much for people of all ages."

There are eight categories in the Sir John Monash Awards, with an overall winner for Outstanding Leadership. Barbara also won the Inspirational Women's Leadership category. In future editions of the Monash Bulletin, we will profile the inspiring winners of the seven other categories.

For more info:

 www.monash.vic.gov.au/sir-john-monash-awards
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Hard waste collection... coming soon

Monash's FREE annual hard waste collection is happening between 3 August - 11 September 2015.

Collections will occur in a different part of Monash in each week of the six week collection period. The first week of collection will be in Monash's north (the northern sections of Glen Waverley and Mount Waverley) after which collections will generally move south each week.

You'll receive a brochure in your letterbox two weeks before the collection is due in your area. To keep Monash's streets as clean as possible, please don't put waste on the nature strip until one week before your collection.

Please place your materials into three separate stacks: hard waste, green waste, and metals/ewaste. Please ensure items that are put out for collection are no heavier than 50kg (so they can be lifted to shoulder height by two people) and no longer than 1.5 metres.

For more info including when the collection will occur in your area:

 www.monash.vic.gov.au/hard-waste
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Donations for Nepal



People attending Council's FREE winter concert on Sunday 12 July will be asked if they wish to make a gold coin donation to help Nepal recover from devastating recent earthquakes.

Council had been considering donating \$10,000 from its budget towards Save the Children Australia's relief efforts in Nepal. However, several residents contacted Council to say they didn't believe it was appropriate to donate ratepayer funds towards the appeal.

Taking on board that community feedback, Council decided not to make a donation. Instead,

people attending Monash's winter concerts in mid-June and July will be asked whether they wish to make a donation. Save the Children estimates that 1.5 million children have been left homeless in Nepal, which is among the poorest countries in the world.

For more info:



 www.savethechildren.org.au
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Next Council meeting

The next Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 30 June, from 7.30pm. It will be held at the Monash Civic Centre (293 Springvale Rd, Glen Waverley).

Community members are welcome to attend and can submit questions in advance for consideration at the meeting. The meeting's agenda will be published on Council's website on Friday 26 June.

For more info:

 www.monash.vic.gov.au/meetings
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Monash Civic Centre

293 Springvale Road
Glen Waverley, 3150

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Monday to Friday

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We welcome feedback about the Monash Bulletin.

Please give us your comments:

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Message from Mayor Paul Klisaris

With the end of the financial year approaching, many projects funded in the 2014/2015 year are being completed and the community is getting to enjoy them. These projects range from an upgraded bike path along Blackburn Road (Clayton), to a fresh new playground in Jordan Reserve (Chadstone) to the new Eastern Innovation Business Centre (Mulgrave) to the reconstruction of Atherton Road (Oakleigh). It is great to see these projects being rolled out, each one meeting a community need.

As we enter winter, it is tempting to stay inside and to ease off on physical and social activity. However, it is really important for our wellbeing that we all stay as active as possible. In particular, we need to ensure there are plenty of social activities available for older people, who are often most vulnerable to loneliness. I was fortunate recently to visit the Bapcare Brindabilla Day Centre in Ashwood, where I met with lovely people like Krishna Arora (*pictured with me*). The centre runs social activities for people aged 65 and older, who are

living at home and have the desire to remain connected to their community. Council also provides similar social activities, as part of our Home and Community Care service. I encourage our older residents to research what is available and to find something that might suit and to give it a go.

Since last July, Council has been holding community "listening posts" in local parks and shopping centres, on weekends and weeknights. We letter box nearby residents to invite them to come along to discuss any local issues or to give us feedback on Council services. We have now held more than 25 "listening posts" across Monash. It has really helped us get a better understanding of community views and priorities. We've been able to fix some problems that have been concerning people for some time.

For instance, some residents recently raised with us that traffic was banking up in the Waverley Park estate on weekday mornings because the traffic light allowing entry into Wellington Road only stayed green long enough



to let through four cars at a time. Council's traffic management team raised this matter with VicRoads. They ended up increasing the length of time that the light stays green. This is just one example of our 'can do' approach. We don't always get everything right but we are trying. Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to raise an issue with us at a "listening post" - if you hadn't taken the first step, we wouldn't have been able to help.

If you'd like to discuss any local issues or give me feedback on what Council can do better, please contact me:

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Decision soon on Council budget

Council is expected to adopt its 2015/2016 budget at its 30 June Council meeting, after seeking community feedback on a draft budget throughout May.

About 45 people made written submissions to Council regarding the draft budget. They will now have an opportunity to speak to their submissions at a Council Committee meeting on Tuesday 16 June.

As part of the draft budget, Council is proposing to introduce a \$50 discount on rates for eligible pensioners. A 6% rate increase is proposed for residential ratepayers and a 11% rate increase for commercial and industrial ratepayers. Following these rate

increases, Monash would still have the lowest average rates of all 79 Victorian councils.

The rate increases are proposed so that Council can maintain existing services while meeting the infrastructure needs of a community that is estimated to have grown by about 2,500 people per year since 2011.

In the \$31 million capital works budget proposed for 2015/2016, there are increases for:

- » drainage infrastructure (increased from \$1.8m to \$2.6m).
- » footpath and bicycle path upgrades (increased from \$2.4m in 2014/2015 to \$3.1m in 2015/2016)
- » roads including reconstruction, resurfacing and traffic management (increased from \$3.4m to \$4.4m)

Extra funding is also being proposed for improvements to the public appearance of Monash. For example, more funding has been proposed for the pruning of street trees so this can occur more frequently, helping ensure street trees don't create obstacles on footpaths. It is also being proposed that the Monash Pride Crew cleansing service be extended so busy shopping strips (such as Eaton Mall and Kingsway) are maintained on weekends as well as week days.

For more info:

🌐 www.monash.vic.gov.au/draft-budget

👤 Danny Wain
Chief Financial Officer

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Proposed new residential zones

Council is seeking feedback on proposed changes to residential zones across Monash.

The overall aim of the changes is to protect and enhance the 'garden city' character of Monash. The changes identify some areas where increased housing density is considered to be appropriate and other areas where there should be limited redevelopment.

► THE MAIN PROPOSED CHANGES ARE:

- » More of Monash would be zoned Neighbourhood Residential (NRZ), a zoning which limits opportunities for increased residential development. Council is proposing to introduce the NRZ zoning across the Dandenong Creek Escarpment (taking in the majority of Wheelers Hill plus parts of Glen Waverley and Mulgrave). It is also proposed that properties abutting or interfacing with the Gardiners, Damper and Scotchmans Creeks (in Ashwood, Burwood, Chadstone, Glen Waverley and Mount Waverley) be rezoned Neighbourhood Residential. Currently, heritage precincts in Oakleigh and Hughesdale are the only parts of Monash that are zoned NRZ.
- » Stronger guidelines are being proposed for development in areas zoned General Residential, which is the zoning proposed for the majority of Monash. For example, Council is proposing guidelines to increase the rear and side setbacks of new buildings and to require canopy trees on sites undergoing redevelopment.
- » Residential Growth Zones are being proposed for parts of Clayton and Notting Hill, in and around the Clayton Activity Centre and the Monash National Employment Cluster. These changes are being proposed at the request of the Metropolitan Planning Authority, a State Government body. These proposed zonings would create capacity for at least 7,000 new dwellings over a 10-year period in the Clayton and cluster areas.
- » Residential Growth Zones are also being proposed in some parts of the Glen Waverley Activity Centre.

Submissions on the proposed changes are sought by **Monday 31 August**. Council will consider all feedback before deciding whether to proceed with all or some of these changes.

For more info:

 www.newresidentialzonesmonash.com.au

Council's Strategic Planning team

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► INFORMATION SESSIONS

To find out more and have your say, we encourage you to attend these drop-in community information sessions. There is no need to RSVP; just turn up.

- » **Monash Civic Centre**
(293 Springvale Rd, Glen Waverley)
Mon 6 July, 2pm-4pm or 6pm-8pm
Wed 22 July, 6pm-8pm
- » **Mount Waverley Youth Centre**
(45 Miller Cres)
Wed 8 July, 2pm-4pm or 6pm-8pm
Thur 23 July, 6pm-8pm
- » **Mulgrave Community Centre**
(355 Wellington Rd)
Mon 13 July, 3pm-5pm or 6pm-8pm
- » **Monash Gallery of Art**
(860 Ferntree Gully Rd, Wheelers Hill)
Thur 30 July, 6pm-8pm
- » **Monash Seminar & Training Centre**
(1a Atherton Rd, Oakleigh)
Wed 15 July, 2pm-4pm or 6pm-8pm
Mon 3 Aug, 6pm-8pm
- » **Clayton Community Centre**
(9 Cooke St)
Wed 29 July, 6pm-8pm
Wed 5 Aug, 2pm-4pm or 6pm-8pm

How do I...?

...promote my community group or event?



You can upload information and photos about your community group - and details of upcoming events - on Council's website. As part of our new website, there are expanded community directory and events sections which we are hoping our community will contribute towards. Community groups can register for their own accounts and make updates whenever they feel like it. A hard-copy community directory is also being produced this year but has been delayed. It is expected to be available in coming months, and will be sent out to everyone on our mailing list.

For more info:

[www.monash.vic.gov.au/
community-directory](http://www.monash.vic.gov.au/community-directory)

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...know how far I should park from intersections?

Generally, people should not park any closer than 10 metres to an intersection without traffic lights (unless it is signed otherwise). If the intersection has traffic lights, you should provide a minimum clearance of 20 metres between your vehicle and the intersection. Council is often contacted by residents concerned that vehicles are parked too close to intersections, restricting their turning space and sometimes blocking their view of traffic. It is an offence to park too close to an intersection, with a \$148 fine applying for stopping within 10 metres of an intersection.

For more info:

[www.monash.vic.gov.au/parking-
rules](http://www.monash.vic.gov.au/parking-rules)

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Hawthorn to leave Waverley Park

Council has expressed disappointment that the Hawthorn Football Club looks set to leave Waverley Park over the next five to 10 years.

In early June, the club announced that it intended to establish a new, larger facility at a site in Dingley.

This is disappointing because having an AFL club based in Monash has added to our sporting culture and created an extra buzz, especially around finals time in recent years.

Council will work to ensure the football oval remains public open space.

When a permit was granted for the development of the Waverley Park estate in 2002, the oval formed part of the open space network that needed to be provided for future residents. Heritage protections also apply to parts of Waverley Park including the oval and the Sir Kenneth Luke Stand.

Future of three school sites

We're asking residents who live near three former school sites for their opinions on proposed residential developments on these sites.

The three former school sites are: Clayton West Primary School (Alvina St, Oakleigh South), Monash Special Developmental School (Renver Road, Clayton) and Oakleigh South Primary School (Beryl Avenue, Oakleigh South). Different developers purchased each of the sites when they were sold by the former State Government last year.

Council is writing to residents who live near the three sites, seeking their views on the developers' proposed Development Plans. A Development Plan is a broad master plan that sets out the general parameters for how a site will be developed. Council will consider every community submission it receives before deciding whether to approve, amend or refuse each of the Development Plans.

If a Development Plan is approved by Council, the developer will then submit detailed planning permit applications to Council for approval. Providing these applications are "generally in accordance" with the Development Plan, Council is required legally to approve

these applications without further community consultation. Under a Development Plan Overlay, residents do not have the right to appeal to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT). It is for this reason that Council asked the former State Government to reconsider its decision to impose Development Plan Overlays on the former school sites. However, the former government proceeded to sell each of the sites with a Development Plan Overlay in place.

Council will accept community feedback on the Development Plans for the three school sites up until it makes a decision on these plans. Council is not expected to make a decision on these plans until its monthly meeting in late August or in late September.

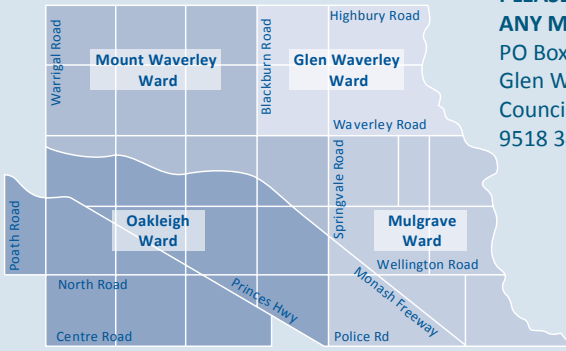
For more info or to have your say:

[www.monash.vic.gov.au/
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Councillor News

Cr Bill Pontikis

A lot of positive projects are happening or planned in Clayton. In coming weeks, we will begin an upgrade of the three interconnecting laneways between Clayton Road, Carinish Road and Mary Street. The aim is to make these laneways attractive and safer for the many pedestrians who use them.

New street lights, trees and street furniture will be introduced, and there will also be some street art. If you want to get a taste of what we're going to do, visit the Thomas Street (Clayton) laneway, which was upgraded two years ago. Thank you to the State Government Department of Justice for providing \$250,000 for this project, which will receive \$67,000 in Council funding.

We also have the wonderful Clayton Canvas project which aims to help those at risk from gambling-related harm. Funded by the Victorian Responsible Gambling Foundation and delivered by Council, this program provides local people with alternative activities to gambling. It is encouraging to see the strength of the Clayton community working together to respond to this issue.

I am rapt that the State Government is moving forward with plans to remove the level crossings at Clayton Road, Centre Road and Poath Road (Hughesdale). As a former President of the Clayton Traders Association, I've been lobbying for the removal of the dreaded Clayton Road crossing for 14 years.

In Oakleigh, the shortage of parking continues to be a very real problem. At our May meeting, the three Oakleigh Ward Councillors joined together to propose that a committee be formed to oversee a review of parking issues in Oakleigh. Our motion was approved by Council. The committee, which will hopefully include local MPs and representatives of the Oakleigh Traders and Oakleigh Rotary Club, will consider issues such as whether the earmarked Atkinson Street site is the most appropriate location for a new multi-deck car park. There will also be an opportunity for the wider community to have their say. The Oakleigh Ward Councillors want Council to be in the best position possible to be able to approve funding for a car park in next year's budget.

I was blown away by the community spirit on show at Council's annual Sir John Monash Awards in May. Congratulations to the winners and all 59 nominees (including Lizzy Kuoth pictured below right, with me and her nominator Divya Mohan from the Southern Ethnic Advisory and Advocacy Council). We are so fortunate to have so many wonderful volunteers in our community.

If you'd like to discuss any local issues, please contact me (see details at left).





Polystyrene and cardboard recycling

Polystyrene and cardboard recycling in Monash has recently received a boost, with two new machines introduced at the Monash Waste Transfer and Recycling Station.

Residents can now drop off household amounts of polystyrene for FREE at the transfer station. A new compactor has been installed, which heats and then shrinks down polystyrene for recycling. For amounts above ½ cubic metre, a fee of \$5 per ½ cubic metre applies.

People can also now drop off any amount of cardboard at the transfer station for FREE. A new compactor has increased Council's capacity to accept and store cardboard. Cardboard can now be compacted on site, which is the first step in cardboard being turned into sustainable products.

The Metropolitan Waste Recovery Group funded the polystyrene compactor, while the Australian Packaging Covenant and Sustainability Victoria paid for the cardboard compactor.

The Monash Waste Transfer and Recycling Station is at 380 Ferntree Gully Rd, Notting Hill. It is open seven days per week (except some public holidays), from 7.30am-4pm.

For more info:

www.monash.vic.gov.au/waste-transfer-station
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We're listening

Councillors and Council staff are visiting local neighbourhoods on weekends to make it easier for you to raise any local issues with Council. Please come along to a Council "listening post" and tell us how we can serve you better.

For more info:

www.monash.vic.gov.au/haveyoursay

To raise an issue:

9518 3678

Notting Hill Neighbourhood House

Saturday 27 June, 10.30am-12.30pm

South Oakleigh Bowling Club

Saturday 18 July, 10.30am-12.30pm

FREE community BBQs will be held at these two events.

Footpath trading in Eaton Mall

Council is stepping up enforcement of its footpath trading rules in Oakleigh's Eaton Mall, to ensure there is enough access room for pedestrians.

Alfresco dining in the mall has helped bring a sense of vitality to Oakleigh during the day and at night. Restaurants and cafes are able to trade near the entrances to their premises, provided they leave enough room for pedestrians. Alfresco dining is also allowed in specified areas in the mall's centre.

Over recent months, Council has received feedback from local residents that tables and chairs are sometimes placed in pedestrian areas, making it difficult for people (including people using wheelchairs and families with prams) to move around safely and easily.

Council recently strengthened its footpath trading policy for Eaton Mall. From 1 July 2015, Council will actively enforce its revised policy, which sets out a four step process that ranges from a verbal warning (for the first breach) to the cancellation of a permit (for the fourth breach). We hope a good balance can be struck, so alfresco dining can continue to thrive without pedestrians being negatively impacted.

For more info:

www.monash.vic.gov.au/footpath-trading-and-access-policy
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NAIDOC Week events

5-12 July

Several FREE events will take place across Monash to celebrate National Aboriginal and Islander Day Observance Committee (NAIDOC) Week. These events will include: an Indigenous hip hop concert, a guided walk with a Wurundjeri elder through Mount Waverley's Valley Reserve, and Aboriginal storytime

for children at local libraries. An Aboriginal flag-raising ceremony will be held at the Monash Civic Centre (293 Springvale Rd, Glen Waverley) on Monday 6 July, from 12.30pm.

For a full program:

www.monash.vic.gov.au/events

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Veg Out

Sunday 21 June, 11am-3pm

Come along to Veg Out - a FREE all ages neighbourhood event. It's a great way to meet local people, find out what's happening in your community and discover how to thrive by eating healthily. There will be dance and karate workshops, a performance by the Zucchini Clan, and a BBQ cooked by the Mulgrave Lions Club. This event is being held at the Mulgrave Neighbourhood House (36-42 Mackie Rd). There is no need to book; just turn up on the day.

For more info:

www.monash.vic.gov.au/events

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Sir John Monash Lecture

Thursday 2 July, 6.30pm-8pm

Dr Charles Livingstone, a leading academic on critical gambling studies, is keynote speaker at this year's Sir John Monash Lecture. This FREE event will include personal stories from recovering gamblers, insights from services assisting individuals affected by gambling, and a panel discussion featuring Dr Livingstone. It is being held at the Clayton Theatre (Cooke St).

Bookings essential: ☎ 9518 3555



...at Monash libraries

Author's Talk Frank Moorhouse

Tuesday 21 July, 7pm-8.30pm

The Australian Security Intelligence Organisation, better known as ASIO, has kept a file on Frank since he was 17. Now Frank has decided it's time to report on ASIO. His latest book - 'Australia Under Surveillance' - looks at the powers of ASIO, freedom of the press and the privacy of citizens. This FREE talk - held at the Monash Gallery of Art (860 Ferntree Gully Rd, Wheelers Hill) - is part of WordFest, Monash's annual literary festival.

Bookings essential:

☎ 9561 6211



...at Monash Gallery of Art

Bring Your Own Archive

Saturday 11 July, 1pm-4pm

Do you have any spools of Super 8 film or old 'slides' of family holidays gathering dust in the attic? Bring them along and we'll project them for you! 'The Screen Bandita' - a Scottish-Australian artists' collective - is bringing their participatory, community gathering to MGA, exploring the analogue image, memory and storytelling. This is a FREE event held at the MGA (860 Ferntree Gully Rd, Wheelers Hill).



Image courtesy of The Screen Bandita

For more info: www.mga.org.au ☎ 8544 0500