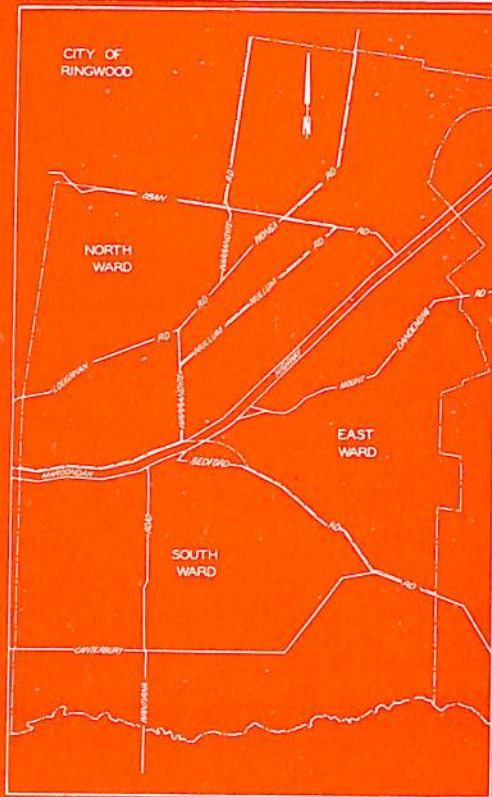




# APPRECIATE YOUR CITY



## YOUR COUNCILLORS ARE

Her Worship the Mayor: Cr. Patricia Palmer, J.P.

### North Ward:

Cr. R. J. Martin, 13 Jeffrey Drive, Ringwood. (870 9587)

Cr. R. K. Dickson, Warrandyte Road, North Ringwood. (870 6246)

Cr. B. A. Tankey, 30 Rosebank Avenue, Ringwood. (870 2584)

### South Ward:

Cr. J. M. McRae, J.P., 17 Banksia Court, Heathmont. (870 7927)

Cr. G. R. G. Smart, 16 Adrian Court, Heathmont. (870 4351)

Cr. J. C. B. McCubbin, J.P., 69 Viviani Crescent, Heathmont. (870 8472)

### East Ward:

Cr. P. Vergers, J.P., 162 Warrandyte Road, Ringwood. (870 6127)

Cr. S. C. Morris, J.P., 78 Alexandra Road, Ringwood East. (870 8723)

Cr. Patricia E. Palmer, J.P., 2 The Glade, Ringwood. (870 9530).

Elections for the Council are conducted in late August each year when one-third of the Councillors retire. Councillors have a three-year term of office but are eligible for re-election.

The Council regularly invites organisations to witness its meetings. If your organisation is interested in attending as a group, please ring the Town Clerk.

The various departments and officers of the Council are available to assist ratepayers in civic and communal matters. The Civic Centre is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday. Tel. 870 4311.

## YOUR MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT ARE

### Commonwealth:

Hon. Peter Howson, M.H.R. (Member for Casey), 2C Station Street, Ringwood.

### State:

#### Legislative Council:

Boronia Province: Hon. G. L. Chandler, C.M.G., M.L.C.

Hon. V. T. Hauser, M.L.C.

Templestowe Province: Hon. W. R. Garrett, A.F.C., A.E.A., M.L.C.

Hon. W. V. Houghton, M.L.C.

#### Legislative Assembly:

Hon. J. W. Manson, M.P. (Member for Ringwood).

Members of the State Parliament may be contacted care of Parliament House, Melbourne.

## YOU CAN HELP MAKE YOUR CITY A BETTER PLACE IN WHICH TO LIVE

### POLLUTION

is a popular word these days—

YOU pollute the environment if your premises are not connected to the sewerage system. Although sullage wastes (kitchen, bath and washing water) may leave your property in underground drains it usually ends up in one of the open creeks within the Municipality quite close to where other people live. If the sewer is not available for connection of your premises there is little you can do apart from keeping your *greasetrap* well serviced. Generally speaking the standard residential type greasetrap with the average amount of use should be cleaned out fortnightly. If your *septic tank* discharges into a sand filter system you are required to regularly maintain the chlorination pit with liquid chlorine to prevent bacteria pollution. If, however, the sewer is available for connection you then have a moral as well as a legal duty, in the interest of public health, to have your premises connected without delay.

### REMEMBER! Health is Priceless:

Unfortunately too many people tend to forget about what they cannot see and spend their limited finance on new motor cars, television, annual holidays and the like, and are then prepared to pay the sewerage rate to the Board of Works without utilising the service. The sewerage rate is payable whether or not the service is used.

### By-Law No. 82: — CONNECT TO SEWER.

The Council has a By-Law enabling it to enforce property owners to connect their premises to the sewer and has determined that:

*it is its desire that all premises within the municipality currently in Declared Sewer Areas of the Board of Works, be connected to the Board's sewers by the end of 1973, and in order to achieve this will be enforcing such action under the provisions of its By-Law No. 82 giving property owners 6 months in which to comply with such direction, to the various residential areas of the municipality in the order to which the Board's sewers were first available.*

Therefore, if your premises are in a Declared Sewer Area and are serviced by a septic tank or pan closet, do not wait until 1973 to arrange connection to the sewer. Plan the budget early — obtain competitive quotes — remembering costs are increasing with the passage of time. Further information about sewerage connection may be obtained from the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works. Tel. 62 0221. The Board of Works has limited funds available to assist property owners in financing sewerage connections who do

not have the ready cash. As there probably is considerable waiting period, early application should be made to the Board by those who may require such finance.

### REFUSE AND RUBBISH POLLUTION

#### Do not "Drop it" or you will "Cop it"!

"On the spot" fines are being introduced in Ringwood to help combat the litter pollution problem. These fines will operate very similarly to the present "On the spot" car parking fines.

Cleaning up costs, which generally are the result of laziness and/or lack of thought, run Ringwood ratepayers into thousands of dollars annually. *Make Cleanliness a Habit.* Surely Ringwood residents would rather have their rates going to provide increased and better public facilities.

### Keep your Premises Clean and Tidy:

If you use an incinerator be careful and considerate. Do not burn on "Fire Ban" days or when the neighbour has just hung her washing on the line. Vouchers entitling ratepayers to limited free tipping are attached to this brochure. The Council annually provides a special clearance of non-organic and non-combustible materials which is not removed with the weekly household garbage clearance service. This special clearance usually takes place during the autumn months and ratepayers are advised by Notice a week or so before collection.

### Rats Like Rubbish:

If you have a problem with rats, the Council's Health Inspectors will endeavour to assist you when advised and will make available to you rat bait — without charge.

### Flies:

are prolific disease carriers. They breed in filth and decaying matter. Make sure your compost heap is well covered; your rubbish tin has a tight fitting lid and is regularly cleaned; all openable windows and doors are fitted with fly-proof screens.

### Hepatitis:

is one of the most prevalent infectious diseases for which the fly is a major carrier.

### MAINTAIN AN ATTRACTIVE ENVIRONMENT

The condition of your property reflects on the area in which you live. Preserve the value of your asset and thus help in preserving the value of that of your neighbour.

## DO YOU KNOW?

### Council Permits are required for:

- All types of buildings, including additions, alterations, out-buildings, front fences and the erection of signs.
- Construction of vehicular crossing to the entrance of your property the cost of which is full responsibility of the property owner.
- Connection of drainage to kerb and channel where no drainage outlet in the kerb exists.
- Connection of drainage to Council drain except where provision has been made.
- Road opening when carrying out tapping for a water main, gas service, etc.

### Are you going to fence?

If you are contemplating the erection of a front fence and the footpath has not been constructed, it is recommended you contact the City Engineer's Department at the Civic Centre to ascertain footpath levels in order to avoid the necessity for future alterations to any fence or driveway.

### Nature Strips:

Attend to your nature strip. One neglected nature strip detracts from the appearance of the whole street. This is suggested to proprietors of business premises in particular; the condition of the nature strip or area between the property boundary and kerbside can reflect on the business one is conducting.

### Street Trees:

Tend to the street trees outside your property. The Council endeavours to look after them, but with some thousands of relatively young trees it is a difficult job during the hot summer spells to give the trees the desired attention. A bucket or two of water and staking up where needed can be afforded with little effort.

### Vandalism:

Over 300 street trees have been replaced this year, the majority due to acts of vandalism — even the stakes have been stolen. Vandalism is unfortunately most prevalent and is responsible for significant costs to the Council. However, whilst money can repair damage to a building, it cannot readily replace damage to our trees whether they be in the streets or in the parks. Vandalism, of course, is not confined to Council buildings; it is most prevalent on traffic lights and traffic warning signs. Acts of vandalism on these items can produce dangerous situations.

### Help the Council:

by reporting promptly any suspected acts of vandalism.

### BE A GOOD DRIVER

With increasing traffic volumes and tendency to increased speed with improved road facilities, potential for accidents increases. Always observe major traffic control items, such as flagged school crossings, signalised pedestrian and school crossings: always show courtesy to pedestrians: observe the regulatory signs such as "No Standing", "Loading Zone" and signs restricting times for parking, particularly "Clearway Ban" areas, and remember, do not park in the vicinity of school crossings. Always observe the restricted parking sign times as they are there to make maximum use of the limited parking areas available.

### DOGS can be a nuisance:

A significant proportion of all complaints received by the Council is in respect to dogs — attacking children, obstructing traffic and thus creating traffic hazards, barking and howling, damaging gardens. The only way to be sure your dog is not a nuisance to somebody else is to keep it on your property at all times when not on a leash.

Dogs will be impounded if found unattended on the streets, even if the dog is only outside the premises of the owner, and it will cost \$4 to obtain release of the dog plus a further \$4 if the dog is not registered, and will also render the owner liable to prosecution proceedings. Owners of unregistered dogs over the age of six months are also liable to prosecution.

### FREE IMMUNISATION

Avail yourself of this service, which is provided for your protection:

Regular immunisation campaigns against Poliomyelitis, Whooping Cough, Diphtheria, Tetanus, Small Pox and Measles are arranged through the Baby Health Centres for infants, and at the Scots Church Hall in Adelaide Street, Ringwood, for adults (opposite the entrance to the eastern mall of the Eastland Shopping Centre) from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. on the 1st Thursday of each month (appointments are not necessary). The Health Department at the Civic Centre will be pleased to give further information.

### MAXIMUM USE OF COMMUNITY FACILITIES

The Council is keen to obtain the maximum use of existing facilities whether they belong to the Council or to the Government or some other governmental authority. The various schools in the Municipality can provide good playing fields for weekend sport, halls for meetings and social functions. The schools are heavy users of Council's sportsgrounds and swimming centre during the week days. Arrangements have been made with one school for use of school facilities for weekend sports purposes and the Council hopes that as demand increases it will be able to come to satisfactory arrangements with other schools for public use of their facilities.

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