

BUNURONG MEMORIAL PARK TRANSFORMATION

Works transforming Dandenong South's Bunurong Memorial Park are well underway, with a range of new buildings and services taking shape.

The works include an administration and customer service centre, cafe, florist, function centre and two new chapels. There will also be a children's playground.

Bunurong Memorial Park is one of eight cemeteries under the care of the Southern Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust. Established in 1995, it covers 100 hectares.

The first burial happened on 8 February 1996, and since then more than 30,000 burials and cremations have taken place.

The park has been designed to anticipate burial and memorial needs across the range of faiths and cultures in our diverse community. There is also a multifaith area comprising beautiful gardens and the Solace Rooms for quiet prayer or reflection.

Due for completion in early 2016, the development will sit amidst stunning native parkland with more than 80,000

trees spanning land that is more than three times the size of Melbourne's Royal Botanic Gardens.

This will be a regional multipurpose community asset providing open space for recreation for the local communities.

The new buildings will aim to be carbon neutral, while a water swale and windmill project will save at least 500,000 litres of water per year.

Visit www.bmp.smct.org.au for more information or to register your interest to receive regular updates and invitations to events.