



gleneira news

Entries open for Sounds of Glen Eira 2014

Are you a band, acoustic group, soloist or vocalist? Glen Eira City Council's Youth Leadership Team (YLT) is calling on all interested musicians to submit their demo CD with a short biography for a chance to compete in Sounds of Glen Eira 2014.

Previously known as *Battle of the Bands*, *Sounds of Glen Eira* is now open to a wider range of musical talents.

The event will provide musicians and vocalists aged 10 to 25 the opportunity to perform in front of a live audience.

Eight performers will be selected by the YLT to play at the event, who will then be in the running to win two full days recording at Youth Services *Plugged In* music recording studio with a professional sound engineer.

On the night, the public will also be able to have their say and register a vote for the *People's Choice Award*.

Local rock band *Moss* won the *People's Choice Award* in 2013.

Asher, Eugene, Iggy and Jobey have been playing together for more than a year.

Although they are still new to the music scene, *Moss* have already played at a number of events, including St Michael's Grammar School *Twilight Festival*, the closing down function for Hunter Gatherer in St Kilda and Melbourne Montessori School's Open Day.

More recently, they played at The Cherry Bar in the city.

Asher told *Glen Eira News* they entered last year's competition because the band wanted to get involved in their local music scene.

"The competition was one of our first chances to play in front of a large live audience," Asher said.

"Winning the *People's Choice Award* was great. Good music to one person is bad music to another, so winning the *Award* showed us that while our music didn't sit well with the judges, it captivated the audience and appealed to a larger range of people."

Asher said the *Sounds of Glen Eira* competition provides good opportunities and encouraged musicians to get involved.

"Even if you're not so interested in the competitive side of the event, it's a great opportunity to work on your stagecraft and perfect your live sound," Asher said.

The closing date for all submissions is Friday 8 August at 4.30pm. Musicians must have a connection to the City by living, working, studying or socialising in Glen Eira.

Sounds of Glen Eira is a fully supervised drug, alcohol and smoke-free event and

will be held on Friday 12 September from 5.30pm to 10.30pm at Bentleigh McKinnon Youth Centre, Higgins Road, Bentleigh.

For further information or to get a copy of *Sounds of Glen Eira* terms and conditions, contact Bree Cross at Youth Services on 9524 3676 or email bcross@gleneira.vic.gov.au

Cover image: Jobey, Asher, Eugene and Iggy from local rock band *Moss*.
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Mayor's column

Glen Eira City Council's 2014–15 Annual Budget was adopted unanimously at a Special Council Meeting on Tuesday 24 June.

This financial year, \$30.2 million has been allocated for various projects, including public open space, recreation, shopping centres, roads, drains, footpaths, the care of children, youth and people with disabilities and environmental initiatives.

Average rates and charges for 2014–15 will be \$12.33 per person per week.

Council would like to thank all residents who contributed to the budget process during public meetings.

Council's Waste Services Guide has been distributed to all residents in Glen Eira. The Guide includes information on what to put in each bin and how to book collections of hard rubbish, e-waste, bundled branches and bulk cardboard.

For further information, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

The love of books and reading at an early age gives a child a great start to life.

Council's library branches are gearing up for *Children's Book Week*.

To be held from 16 to 22 August, a number of events have been planned for families to celebrate Australian books, authors and illustrators and to highlight the importance of reading.

Finally, on Saturday 23 August, the new Caulfield Community Toy Library will be officially opened. Council has undertaken an extensive refurbishment of the new premises at 12 Munro Avenue, Carnegie. The official opening will be held from 11am to 2pm, with free children's activities. For further information, visit www.cctl.org.au

Cr Neil Pilling
Mayor



A positive start to school

Starting school can be an exciting and challenging time for your child.

The transition to school is an experience that starts well before, and extends far beyond, your child's first day (*Department of Education and Early Childhood Development*).

Your child will start school after attending kindergarten or child care or they may not have attended any formal service before going to school. Regardless, your child will have developed skills and abilities that will form the basis of a positive school experience.

Ways you can actively support your child's positive start to school include:

- Talking with your child about their feelings and thoughts about school.
- Reading stories about starting school.
- Finding out about transition programs between the kindergarten/child care and the school.
- Attending information sessions at the school. Visiting the school with your child, showing them around the school, where their classroom is, etc.
- Helping your child practice dressing for school, using their lunch box and drink bottle and packing their school bag in readiness for their first day at school.
- Having a low-key approach to the first day.

Parents will be asked to complete a Transition Learning and Development Statement. This statement will support the teacher to get to know your child. The information shared will include your child's strengths, identify their individual learning style, their interests and indicate how your child's learning can be supported.

Kindergarten and child care services and schools may arrange a transition-to-school program and activities for you and your child each year. To find out more, talk to your child's early childhood educator or contact the school that your child is enrolled at.

Glen Eira City Council will host an information session for parents, *School readiness — starting school well*, on Wednesday 13 August at 7.30pm.

To be held in the Theatre at Glen Eira Town Hall, Associate Professor Kay Margetts will provide an overview of issues about children's transition and adjustment to primary school, the challenges associated with starting school and strategies for supporting children adjustment.

Cost for the session is \$7 per person and bookings can be made through Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or online at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

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DEADLINES

The deadline for the next edition (September) of *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 30 July for delivery 1 to 5 September (weather permitting).

Coming deadlines

The deadline for the October edition of *Glen Eira News* is Wednesday 27 August for delivery 29 September to 3 October (weather permitting). For advertising and *Community Diary* enquiries, contact 9524 3333 or email editor@gleneira.vic.gov.au

To submit editorial material write to: Glen Eira News, PO Box 42, Caulfield South VIC 3162 or email: editor@gleneira.vic.gov.au

Safety and transport improvements

Community column

Glen Eira City Council was successful in securing more than \$400,000 from the State and Federal Governments for road safety and taxi rank improvements in the 2013–14 financial year.

Finishing touches are being made to safety improvements at the Glenhuntly and Orrong Roads signalised intersection in Elsternwick and the Poath and Kangaroo Roads roundabout in Murrumbeena. These improvements have been funded by the *Federal Nation Building Program*.

The intersection of Glenhuntly and Orrong Roads in Elsternwick will now provide an 'early start' for pedestrians on the Glenhuntly Road western crosswalk. This means that vehicles turning from the Orrong Road northern approach will be held for two to three seconds while pedestrians start crossing Glenhuntly Road. This allows pedestrians to become established on the road and improves driver visibility of pedestrians crossing. A mast arm facing westbound traffic on Glenhuntly Road also raises awareness of the intersection and pedestrians on the crosswalk.

At the Poath and Kangaroo Roads roundabout in Murrumbeena, an exclusive green bicycle lane within the roundabout is being installed to raise awareness of cyclists.

In addition, the existing pedestrian crossing points at the roundabout have been upgraded.

Seven taxi ranks within the municipality have been upgraded under the State Government's *Taxi Rank Safety Program*.

The upgrades are as follows:

Installation of a taxi shelter and taxi rank totem (sign)

- Katandra Road, Ormond (outside Ormond Railway Station);
- Hawthorn Road, Caulfield South (just north of Glen Huntly Road); and
- Glenhuntly Road, Elsternwick (near Elsternwick Railway Station).

Installation of taxi rank totem (sign)

- Station Street, Caulfield East (near Caulfield Racecourse);
- Centre Road, Bentleigh (near Bent Street);
- Hawthorn Road, Caulfield North (at Caulfield Park); and
- Neerim Road, Murrumbeena (outside Murrumbeena Railway Station).

All of these projects support Council's *Towards Sustainable Transport Strategy*, *Bicycle Strategy* and *Walking Strategy* by improving safety and ease of use for sustainable transport modes.



New stripes for Patterson

Encouraging walking to, from and within our shopping centres, is a key component of Glen Eira City Council's *Walking Strategy*.

In recent years, several zebra crossings have been installed on top of road humps within shopping centres. This treatment provides priority for pedestrians and reduces vehicle speeds.

An issue with this treatment is that the striped zebra crossing line-marking does not bond well with the concrete top of the road hump. It is important that the striped line-marking is clearly visible therefore a new product is being trialled in Patterson Road Shopping Centre, Bentleigh.

The previous line-marking in Patterson Road has been replaced with line-marking tape. The tape is stuck to the concrete surface and provides high reflective properties in dry or wet conditions.

Council's Manager Transport Planning Terry Alexandrou said if the trial of this treatment is successful, the zebra crossing stripes will not only have improved durability but will also ensure the zebra crossing stands out at night, improving safety for pedestrians.

Speaking up for our City

Community Satisfaction Survey 2014 results

Glen Eira City Council has received the results of the *Community Satisfaction Survey 2014*. Council received an overall performance weighted index of 72 which is 11 higher than the state average. The index is the highest Council has achieved in 16 years. Council also topped the state in customer service with an index of 79. Although the results are pleasing, there is still room for improvement, especially in the areas of traffic management and development.

Kokaribb Road streetscape project

As part of the Kokaribb Road, Carnegie streetscape project, a gross pollutant trap was included (the traps catch pollution before it has a chance to enter the waterways). The incorporation of the trap has resulted in more than 200 plastic bottles being removed from the drainage system and not ending up in the bay, disrupting marine life.



Engaging our community

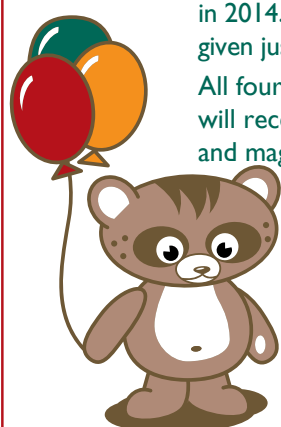
New provider for Council's Delivered Meals Service

Glen Eira City Council recently appointed I Cook Catering Aged Care Services as the new supplier of meals for the Delivered Meals Service. Changes to the service will be minimal with a large range of high quality menu choices continuing to be offered. For further information about Council's Delivered Meals Service, contact 9576 9748.

Special four-year-old immunisation sessions 2014

Glen Eira City Council's Immunisation Service is offering immunisation sessions for four-year-old children in 2014. These immunisations are recommended to be given just prior to a child's fourth birthday.

All four-year-old children receiving their immunisation will receive a free show bag. Face painting, balloons and magic tricks will keep the kids entertained.



Parents please note: the Australian Childhood Immunisation Register recommends that all childhood vaccinations are completed by four years. If your child is not vaccinated by four years and one month they will be considered overdue and you will receive reminder letters from Council.

Saturday 2 August
9.30am–11.30am

Bentleigh-Bayside Community Health Centre
Gardeners Road,
Bentleigh East

Wednesday 3 September
4pm–6pm

Carnegie Library and Community Centre
7 Shepperson Avenue,
Carnegie

Saturday 4 October
9.30am–11.30am

Bentleigh-Bayside Community Health Centre
Gardeners Road,
Bentleigh East



Glen Eira City Council

Bentleigh Bentleigh East Brighton East Carnegie Caulfield Elsternwick Gardenvale Glen Huntly McKinnon Murrumbeena Ormond St Kilda East



CEO's column

More waste will be recycled and less will be going to landfill. That will be the result of the current expansion of Glen Eira City Council's green waste program across the City.

From 1 July this year, all Glen Eira households are eligible for a green waste bin as part of the waste collection service at no extra cost. With the change, we expect that the number of households using Council's green waste recycling service will double.

Household green waste is mulched and composted, and used by market gardens and parks around Melbourne.

With more households recycling green waste, we expect that the total proportion of household waste recycled will improve by around eight per cent from 46 percent to approximately 54 percent.

As well as better environmental outcomes, recycling more will help keep waste charges lower as it costs less to recycle than to send waste to landfill.

Andrew Newton
Chief Executive Officer



Protect your child from whooping cough

Whooping cough is a distressing illness causing bouts of coughing which can last for a few months.

Department of Health statistics indicate as of 1 July, there have been 1,533 notified cases of whooping cough in Victoria this year. In the City of Glen Eira, there have been 28 notifications for the same time period.

In the effort to protect children from this serious and potentially fatal illness, Glen Eira City Council urges parents to vaccinate their child.

The first whooping cough vaccine is administered at six weeks old.

Subsequent boosters are then given at four and six months, four years and finally when the child enters Year 10.

Council's Manager Public Health Stuart Symes encourages all parents to make an informed decision when it comes to immunising their child.

"Immunisation is the safest and most effective way to protect children against vaccine preventable disease, including whooping cough," Mr Symes said.

Council immunisation sessions

Council conducts 10 community immunisation sessions and one special four-year-old session every month at various venues across the municipality.

The sessions have been designed to

meet the needs of all families, from the stay-at-home parent to those who work full-time.

All vaccines recommended by the *National Immunisation Program*, as set by the National Health and Medical Research Council, are offered free of charge, however Medicare eligibility is required to attend sessions.

It is important for children to be vaccinated at birth, six weeks, four months, six months, 12 months, 18 months and four years.

For further information about Council's immunisation sessions, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333 or visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au



When do you stop at a school crossing?

Glen Eira City Council's *Walking Strategy* has a target of increasing the existing number of children walking to school by 10 per cent.

School crossings are a vital component of encouraging students and parents to walk to and from school.

Motorists are reminded to approach a school crossing at a speed that allows you to safely stop. At a school crossing, flags are displayed and you must stop if a pedestrian (child or adult) is on, or entering the crossing, even if there is no crossing supervisor using a hand-held stop sign.

Unlike some pedestrian crossings where you may proceed once the pedestrian has passed the front of your vehicle, you must not proceed until the pedestrian has left the road.

Council's Manager Transport Planning Terry Alexandrou said motorists are reminded to always keep a look out for pedestrians and cyclists because these vulnerable users will come off second best.

"Research shows that a pedestrian only has a 20 per cent chance of surviving a collision with an impact speed of 60 kilometres per hour, whereas this increases to 80 per cent when the impact speed is 40 kilometres per hour," Mr Alexandrou said.



Who makes you proud?

Nominations for Glen Eira City Council's *Citizen of the Year*, *Young Citizen of the Year* and *Community Group of the Year Awards* open on Monday 4 August.

The *Awards* recognise the contributions of outstanding Glen Eira residents and community groups who, through hard work and dedication, have significantly contributed to the local community.

Nominees for *Citizen of the Year* and *Young Citizen of the Year* must be residents of Glen Eira.

To be eligible for the *Young Citizen of the Year Award*, nominees must be 25 years or younger on 31 December 2014.

To be eligible for *Community Group of the Year*, groups must be not-for-profit community based groups or organisations that operate within the municipality.

Nominations close on Friday 19 September at 5pm.

Awards will be presented at Council's annual *Australia Day Breakfast* in January 2015.

Application forms are available from Council's Service Centre, Council's four libraries, Community Information Glen Eira and Council's website at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/who-makes-you-proud

For further information, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.



Neighbourhood Sustainable Gardening Program

A quest to learn more gardening tips encouraged Keith and Mary from Bentleigh East, to join Glen Eira City Council's *Neighbourhood Sustainable Gardening Program*.

Keith and Mary have lived in their home for 26 years and their garden has evolved over the years to include a peach tree, vegetable garden, compost bins, a worm farm and wisteria plants.

An upcoming home extension has Keith and Mary investigating the possibility of installing a water tank bladder under their new decking. They are excited about the possibility of using rainwater on their garden and also diverting this water to flush their toilets, which will save money on their water bills.

Are you interested in joining the Sustainable Gardening Program?

Glen Eira City Council launched its *Neighbourhood Sustainable Gardening Program* for residents, schools, organisations and businesses in Glen Eira, to encourage people to make their garden more sustainable. The program currently has 370 members and the numbers continue to grow.

Anyone who has or is planning to have a vegetable patch; fruit trees; compost system; local indigenous plants; water-wise features; or chickens can join the *Program*.

Registered gardeners will receive a welcome pack, which includes a sign that can be attached to their fence identifying that they are part of the *Program*. They will be sent regular updates on local events (run by Council and community groups) and specific local gardening information.

The *Neighbourhood Sustainable Gardening Program* is designed to tap into and build on the passion, knowledge and skills of residents as gardeners and managers of open spaces.

Register online at www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/sustainable_garden

For further information, contact Council's sustainability education officer on 9524 3333 or email sustainability@gleneira.vic.gov.au



GESAC takes home the pool

Glen Eira Sports and Aquatic Centre (GESAC) won two of three prestigious management awards at the *Aquatics and Recreation Victoria (ARV) Awards* ceremony on Friday 13 June.

GESAC was announced winner of the *Facility Management and Health Club* awards.

The *Facility Management Award* recognises the use of effective management practices to improve the operation and continued development of a facility, leading to better community outcomes.

The *Health Club Award* recognises innovative and effective management practices to achieve excellence in health club operations. The *Award* emphasises programming, human resources, customer service, risk management, business development, community involvement and effective partnerships.

GESAC has been operating for more than two years and has been

dedicated to quality management processes.

GESAC Centre Manager Mark Collins said Glen Eira City Council and the team at GESAC were proud of its achievements in providing a safe and friendly environment where everybody is welcome.

"To be awarded two out of the three awards in front of more than 600 industry leaders makes me realise that GESAC is a benchmark within our industry," Mr Collins said.

Both awards involved a written and video application and an on-site audit and verification process by industry peers.

To experience GESAC and the great facilities it provides, visit the centre at 200 East Boundary Road, Bentleigh East.

Keep an eye out for swooping birds

It's nesting time for many birds in Glen Eira so from August to October, look out for swooping birds.

Like most animals, native birds instinctively protect their territory during nesting season and if they perceive you to be a potential threat, they may swoop. For many people who get caught in this position, it can be a very frightening experience.

The Australian magpie, magpie-lark, red

wattlebird, grey butcherbird and noisy miners are the main culprits and are widespread throughout the Glen Eira region, especially around parks and open spaces.

Glen Eira City Council Manager Park Services Laurie Unwin said that swooping birds can cause serious injuries.

"There is a real danger to cyclists if you do happen to ride through their nesting zones, so it is better to dismount and

walk through these areas," Mr Unwin said.

"In a lot of cases, the birds are only trying to scare intruders away and avoid contact."

Here are some tips to avoid being swooped:

- Birds usually target individuals and stay clear of groups of people. They also tend to keep their distance if you are holding an umbrella or a large stick above your head.

- Since these birds always attack from behind, be confident and face them. A strategy that is known to work quite well is sticking 'eyes' to the back of hats or helmets. The worst thing one can do is panic and run — this only encourages the birds to continue swooping.

Residents are reminded that all native birds are protected under the *Wildlife Act 1975* and there are serious penalties for taking, harassing or injuring native wildlife.



Soft plastics and battery recycling locations

Not sure what to do with your soft plastics and used batteries?

There are now several locations where household batteries can be disposed of, including Aldi in Bentleigh; Bunnings in Mentone and Oakleigh South; and Officeworks in Carnegie, Chadstone and Highett.

Batteries contain toxic chemicals that are hazardous waste. Many are made from heavy metals such as silver, iron, nickel and cadmium, which can all be recycled.

Using rechargeable batteries also reduces battery waste. Rechargeable batteries can be used many times and can also be recycled when exhausted.

Soft plastics such as plastic shopping bags can't be placed in your Glen Eira City Council recycling bin (yellow lid). However, don't let them go to landfill — you can recycle them through most supermarkets instead.

Supermarkets usually have collection bins near their front counters to collect your soft plastics, and as well as disposable shopping bags, they may be able to accept empty bread bags, biscuit packets, frozen food bags, rice and pasta bags, confectionary packets and old reusable bags (green bags).

Your empty soft plastic packaging will be recycled into useful new products such as outdoor furniture, garden borders and signage.



No plastic bag? No excuses

Glen Eira City Council would like to remind dog owners to always be prepared by carrying plastic bags with them when taking their pets for walks.

Under Council's Local Law, owners are legally required to collect and dispose of their dog's litter when out in public.

Council's Manager Building and Civic Compliance John Bordignon said dog litter is a serious community amenity problem, which is entirely avoidable with some forward planning on the part of dog owners.

"Our public places should be clean from animal litter — for everyone's comfort," Mr Bordignon said.

"It is not acceptable for non-pet owners to face animal litter in our parks, gardens, playgrounds, footpaths and other public spaces."

Council has tried to make it as easy as possible for local pet owners to clean up after their pets.

Plastic bag dispensers are available in many of Council's parks and reserves and civic compliance officers also carry and distribute plastic bags.



Carers Fitness Program

Glen Eira City Council in partnership with Caulfield Recreation Centre is running a free fitness program for unpaid carers' of people with a disability. Held weekly at Caulfield Recreation Centre, the Program incorporates Pilates, circuit training and yoga.

The Carers Fitness Program aims to encourage carers to set aside time each week to focus on their own health and wellbeing. Importantly, the session also provides carers with a chance to connect with others who can relate to and understand the complexities of being a carer.

The Program will run for 10 weeks commencing on 16 July to 17 September from 11.15am to 12.15pm. For further information or to enrol, contact YMCA on 9519 7500.



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News in brief

National Blood Donor Week

National Blood Donor Week will continue until Saturday 2 August, paying tribute to all blood donors across the nation who each year give more than 1.35 million life-saving blood, plasma and platelet donations.

If you haven't donated blood before, National Blood Donor Week is the perfect time to do so.

To make an appointment, contact 13 14 95 or visit www.donateblood.com.au

The Caulfield Blood Donor Centre is located at 322 Hawthorn Road, Caulfield.

Opening hours

- Monday: 8.30am–3.30pm
- Tuesday: 1pm–8pm
- Wednesday: 2pm–8pm
- Thursday: 1pm–8pm
- Sunday: 8.30am–3.30pm

Free Breastfeeding Support Service

Years ago, women learnt to breastfeed with the help of their mothers or other women in the community. People grew up with the familiar sight of babies being breastfed, however today, breastfeeding is often hidden and many mothers lack the support they need to breastfeed.

Glen Eira City Council's Maternal and Child Health Service Breastfeeding Support Service (BFSS) was established four years ago. The free service is available on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and is staffed by a maternal and child health nurse with International Board Certified Lactation Consultant qualifications.

Mothers are offered support through

phone counselling, a drop-in service and home visits. Women with more complex issues can be referred to other services, however for most women a single contact with the free service can assist them to meet their feeding goals.

With World Breastfeeding Week (1 to 7 August) fast approaching, let us all acknowledge the great start in life that breastfeeding offers.

Come visit us at our drop-in service on Tuesdays between 1.30 and 4pm at McKinnon Maternal and Child Health Centre, 186 McKinnon Road, McKinnon.

For further information, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Children's centre open morning

Glen Eira City Council's three children's centres will open their doors for families to visit and see what makes their learning and care programs special.

An open morning will be held at Caulfield, Carnegie and Murrumbeena Children's Centres on Tuesday 19 August from 9.30am to 10.30am.

For further information, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Parent information session — dads are parents too

Founding Director and Principal Consultant of Better Men Australia Rob Koch will discuss:

- Do dads have a clear job description of what to do?
- Can mums make room for this involvement?
- What is the greatest gift both dads and mums can give to their children?

- How can you raise competent and confident kids without losing yourself or your relationship in the process?

Date: Wednesday 3 September

Time: 7.30pm–9.30pm

Location: Glen Eira Town Hall — Theatrette, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

Cost: \$7 per person



Places are limited. Registration and payment must be received prior to each session. No refunds or exchanges will be offered. To book online, visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au or contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

out and about



My Brother Jack Awards — Glen Eira Mayor Cr Neil Pilling and prize winner of the Junior Secondary School Short Story Award Naomi Rodriguez Ryan.

Photo: Lucia Rossi.



100th birthday celebration — Mrs Rose Stach and Glen Eira Mayor Cr Neil Pilling.

Photo: Emmy Monash Aged Care Inc.



2014–15 Annual Budget breakdown

As part of the 2014–15 Annual Budget, Glen Eira City Council has allocated funding for capital works projects covering all aspects of community life.

This financial year, \$30.2 million (\$491 per property) has been allocated for various projects, including public open space, recreation, shopping centres, roads, drains, footpaths, the care of children, youth and people with disabilities, and environmental initiatives.

Rates and charges

Average rates and charges are projected to increase by 4.7 per cent. This is made up by increases in the general rate of 6.5 per cent offset by decreases in waste management charges.

Actual rates for an individual property depend on the value of that property.

Please note: all properties in the City are being revalued as at 1 January 2014. This revaluation can affect the rates on an individual property. Rates are redistributed according to the shifts in property values that occur in different parts of the municipality and across different property types.

What you pay

Average rates and charges are projected to be \$1,474 per property, equivalent to \$28 per week. For every \$100 of rates revenue received, Council delivers the services highlighted in the illustration at the bottom of this page.

Waste management

Waste management is costing less largely because much less waste is going to landfill, more green waste is being

recycled and prices paid to Council for recycled material have increased. These reductions are despite the Victorian Government increasing its landfill levy by 9.9 per cent. For most households, those with a 120 litre garbage bin, recycling bin and green waste bin, the annual charge will reduce by 4.8 per cent from \$173 to \$165.

Waste management charges are levied on the basis of cost recovery. Residential garbage charges for 2014–15 are set at:

- large 240 litre waste charge, \$340 (\$377 in 2013–14);
- small 120 litre waste charge, \$165 (\$173 in 2013–14);
- residential flat shared bins waste charge, \$165 (\$173 in 2013–14);
- 240L family bin, \$238 (\$283 in 2013–14);

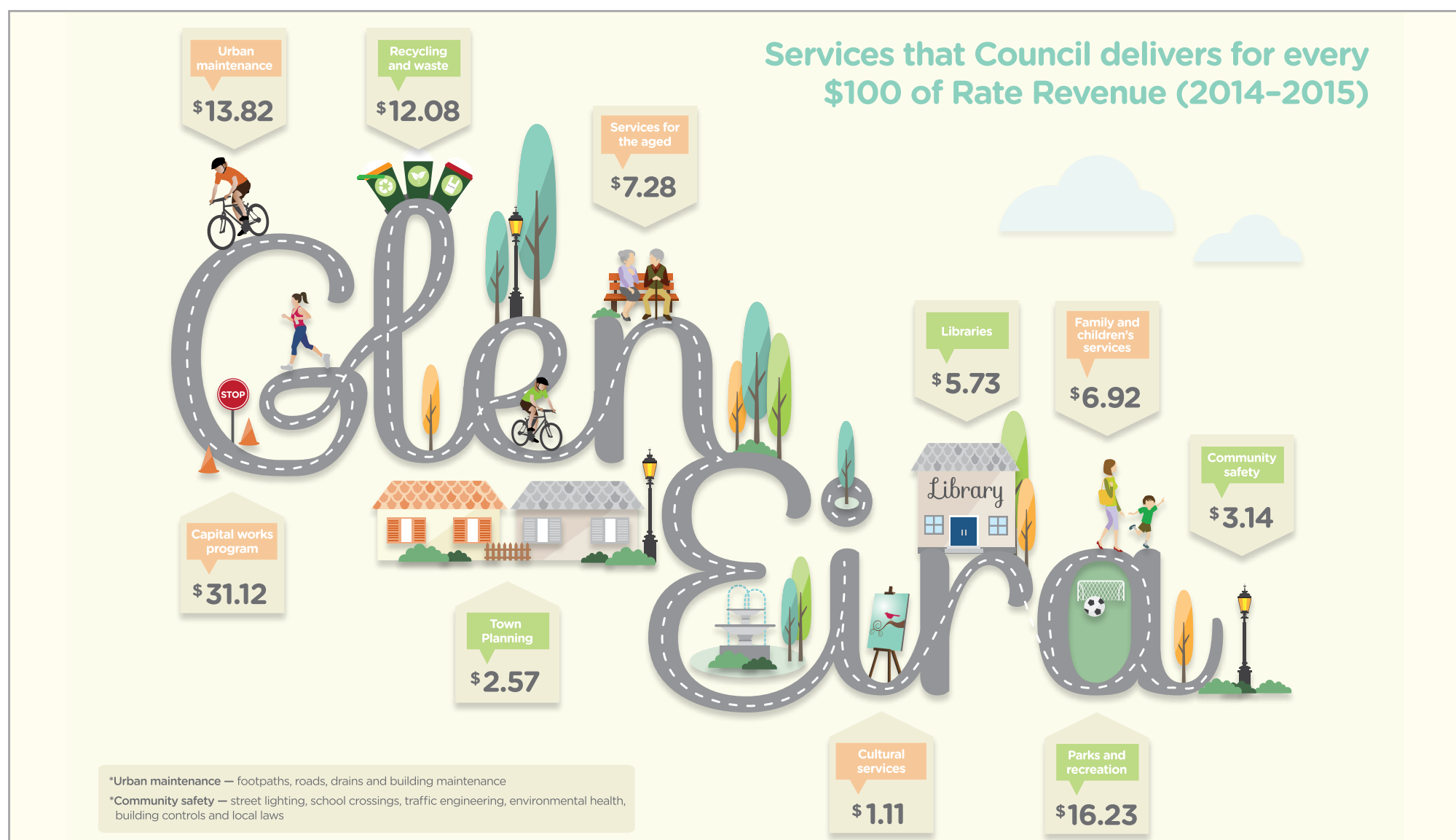
- medical 240 litre waste charge, \$165 (new category from 2014–15); and
- litter management charge, \$49 (\$49 in 2013–14).

How we compare

Glen Eira is projected to have the second lowest average rates and charges of the 17 inner metropolitan councils.

Council pension rebate

A combined pensioner rebate up to a maximum of \$270 (being an amount contributed by State Government and Council) will be provided, which is higher than in most Victorian municipalities. The State Government also funds a \$50 rebate against the Fire Services Property Levy for concession holders that currently qualify for rate rebates.



Community projects



New capital expenditure is projected at \$30.21 million.

This *Budget* implements the *Open Space Strategy*, which Glen Eira City Council approved on 8 April 2014, following widespread community consultation.



Open space and parks

- The Glen Huntly Reservoir is funded at \$200,000 for preparatory work for a new park in order to undertake the construction in 2015–16 and 2016–17.
- The upgrade of Elsternwick Plaza is fully-funded following Council approval of the lease on 18 March 2014 — total funds allocated \$600,000.
- New local open space at the junction of Archibald and Gisborne Streets, Elsternwick — \$400,000.
- Extending the green areas of Memorial Park, Caulfield North — \$500,000.
- Carnegie Library forecourt additional planting — \$220,000.
- The number of street trees planted each year will be increased by 20 per cent from 1,600 per annum to 2,000 per annum at a cost of \$375,000.

Environment

- Green waste bin roll-out — \$827,000.
- Installation of solar panel systems on Council assets — \$242,000.
- Warm-season grasses at Murrumbeena Oval number 2 — \$500,000.
- Energy efficiency in Council buildings — \$242,000.
- *Bicycle Strategy* implementation — \$150,000.



Buildings

- Centenary Park — \$2 million to complete construction of new pavilion (\$1.4 million for building works and \$600,000 for car park works).
- Duncan Mackinnon Pavilion — \$1.9 million (for construction during 2014–2015).

Renewal and upgrade of Council's major infrastructure assets

- Roads — \$3.8 million.
- Drainage improvement program — \$3.5 million.
- Footpaths — \$1.73 million.
- Local road resurfacing — \$1.15 million.

Rolling annual programs

- Libraries — \$786,000 (purchase of collections).
- Traffic management — \$926,000.
- Public open space and recreational facilities — \$1.32 million.
- Building works — \$689,000.
- Shopping centre upgrades — \$550,000.

Short-term projects

- Aged care facilities — \$356,000.
- Family and children services — \$92,000.
- Public open space and recreational facilities — \$1.19 million.
- Building works — \$934,000.
- Other short-term projects — \$1.86 million.

Program saves residents energy and dollars

Bentleigh East resident, Sue, contacted *Glen Eira News* to share her experience with energy efficiency specialist Energy Makeovers.

Glen Eira City Council has partnered with Energy Makeovers to provide the *Glen Eira Energy Saving Program* to offer households free installation of energy saving products, including chimney balloons.

"I read about the *Program* in *Glen Eira News*. Arranging an appointment time for an accredited Energy Makeovers installer to attend my two-storey, four bedroom home was quick and easy," Sue said.

"The installer came within a week of me contacting Energy Makeovers. He was polite and friendly, came prepared for the job, cleaned up after himself and even had a sense of humour!"

The installer helped Sue identify where the household might benefit from the installation of energy saving products.

More than \$280 worth of free energy saving products were installed in Sue's home, including 14 compact fluorescent lights, two standby power controllers for their televisions and other electrical appliances and one

chimney draught stopper.

There were no installation fees and Sue got help to change those hard-to-reach lights.

Sue said installing the chimney balloon in the unused fireplace has made sitting in the lounge room more comfortable.

"The chimney balloon has stopped the draught we used to feel around our feet and knees," Sue said.

"The balloon has helped to reduce the ducted heating going up the chimney in winter and the evaporative cooling in summer."

The energy saving program has heightened Sue's awareness of energy use in her household, resulting in a change in behaviour regarding charging and leaving on appliances such as iPods, iPads and lights.

"As I explained to my 12-year-old, the less money we spend on electricity, the more we have to spend on doing other things," Sue said.

Saving energy has never been easier

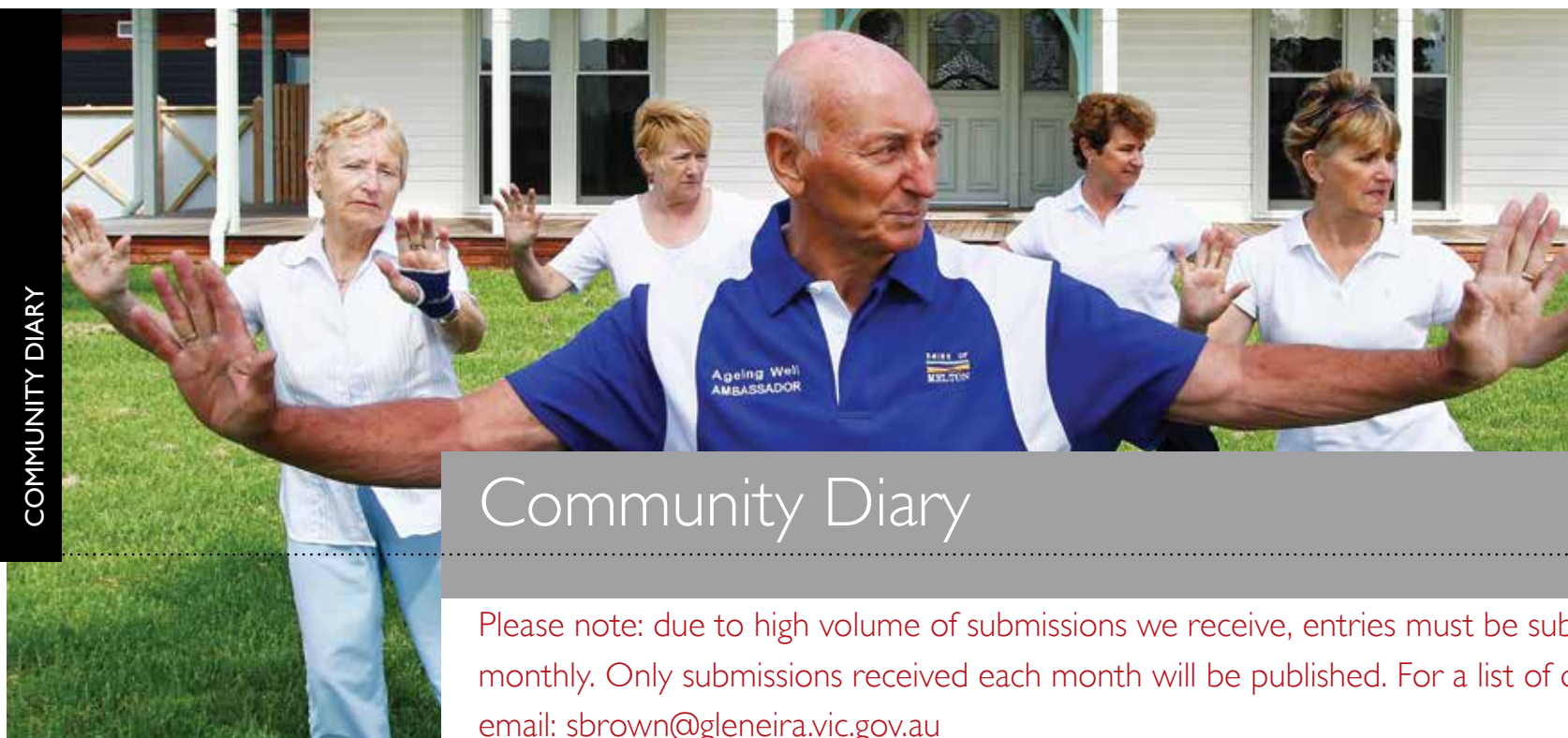
For further information and to book an installation, contact Energy Makeovers on 1 300 788 776 or visit

<http://www.energymakeovers.com.au/energy-savers-glen-eira/> to register your interest.

Energy Makeovers will discuss the suitability of the free energy saving products for your home and check your home is eligible for free installations.

Council has contracted with Energy Makeovers to provide the services. All dealings with Energy Makeovers will be confidential and Energy Makeovers will abide by the same privacy obligations that Council has in relation to the information provided to them by residents who use the service.





Community Diary

Please note: due to high volume of submissions we receive, entries must be submitted monthly. Only submissions received each month will be published. For a list of deadlines, email: sbrown@gleneira.vic.gov.au

MEETINGS AND CLUBS

Australian Plants Society South East Melbourne Region meets on the first Tuesday of every month from 8pm at Hughesdale Community Centre, corner Poath and Kangaroo Roads, Hughesdale. Guest speaker and light supper provided. Visitors and new members welcome. Contact: 9578 3171.

Bentleigh Bayside Parkinson's Support Group meets on the fourth Monday of every month from 1.30pm to 3.30pm at Bentleigh-Bayside Community Health, Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East. Contact: 9581 8700.

Bentleigh Ladies Probus Club meets on the first Thursday of every month from 10am at the Uniting Church, 497 Centre Road, Bentleigh. Contact: 9557 4067.

Bentleigh Probus Club meets on the second Thursday of every month from 10.30am at Bentleigh RSL, 540 Centre Road, Bentleigh. Contact: 9579 5506.

Centenary Park Tennis Club offers Wednesday night mixed social tennis from 7.30pm at 140 Brady Road, Bentleigh East. Cost: Members \$5 and non-members \$10. Light snacks included. Contact: 0415 535 838.

Coatesville Sporting Association is looking for players aged nine to 25 to participate in a local netball competition on Friday afternoons and Saturday mornings at Duncan Mackinnon Reserve. Contact: 0419 392 022 (after hours).

Glen Eira Combined Probus Club meets on the fourth Friday of every month from 10am to 12pm at The Bentleigh Club, Yawla Street, Bentleigh. New members welcome. Contact: 9583 4822 or 0438 834 822.

Glen Eira City Choir is seeking new members, in particular tenors and basses for a concert in September. No audition necessary. Rehearsals are held on Mondays at 7.45pm at Indonesian Uniting Church, 158 Balaclava Road, Caulfield North. Contact: 9578 1947.

Jewish Bereaved Parents Support Group is for parents in the Jewish community who have suffered the death

of a child. Regular monthly peer support meetings, activities and social nights. Free lending library. Contact: 0403 867 494.

Life Activities Club Bentleigh offers a range of activities for people over 50. New members welcome. Contact: 9662 2930 or 0427 275 959.

Multiple Myeloma Support Group will meet on Thursday 7 August at 10am at Beaumaris Theatre Group Hall, 82 Wells Road, Beaumaris. All multiple myeloma patients and/or their carers are most welcome. Contact: 9773 3256.

Mystery Melodies is held on the third Monday of every month at 1.30pm at 2 Arthur Street, Bentleigh. Cost of \$15 includes afternoon tea. Contact: 9557 5739.

Phoenix Park Community Table Tennis Club operates on Mondays and Thursdays. Seniors: 9am to 1pm. Juniors: (all ages and abilities) 5.30pm to 10.30pm. Contact: 0412 804 036.

Port Phillip Life Activities Club offer a range of activities, including badminton, bridge, bushwalks, local walks, book clubs, cinema, theatre and dine-outs for over 50s. Contact: 9645 4061 or visit www.life.org.au/pplac

Sandbelt Ladies Probus Club meets on the first Monday of every month from 10am at Bentleigh RSL, 538 Centre Road, Bentleigh. Visitors welcome. Contact: 9557 6778.

Waverley Communicators meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month from 7.45pm at Bendigo Bank meeting hub, 436 Neerim Road, Murrumbeena. Learn to speak confidently. Contact: 9576 8790 or 9578 1947.

EVENTS

Glen Eira Bicycle Users Group will meet on Saturday 2 August at 11am at The Servery, Royal Avenue, Glen Huntly. The meeting will discuss improving cycling facilities in Glen Eira. Contact: 0407 867 515.

Life Activities Club Bentleigh will host local author Goldie Alexander on Thursday 7 August, followed by a six week series of workshops (commencing Monday

11 August) with author Ian Grinblat. Contact: 9682 1682 or 0427 275 959.

The Sew Inspired Patchworkers of Murrumbeena quilt display will be held on Saturday 9 August from 10am to 5pm at Baptist Church Hall, 44 Murrumbeena Road, Murrumbeena. Entry fee of \$6 includes devonshire tea. Contact: 0423 001 603.

The Handmade Show will be held on Saturday 16 August from 10.30am to 3.30pm at St. Anthony's Parish Hall, corner Grange and Neerim Roads, Glen Huntly. Free entry. Contact: www.thehandmadeshow.blogspot.com

Moorleigh Ceramic Co-op will open its studio to the public on Saturday 16 August and Sunday 17 August from 10am to 4pm at Moorleigh Community Village, Flavell Wing, 90-92 Bignell Road, Bentleigh East). Contact: 0408 357 139.

Free public meeting: Trans-Pacific Partnership — how would this trade deal affect you? Come along and hear from the experts on Wednesday 20 August at 6.30pm at Brighton Town Hall, corner Carpenter and Wilson Streets, Brighton. Contact: 0419 528 060.

Caulfield Community Toy Library Open Day will be held on Saturday 23 August from 11am to 2pm at 12 Munro Avenue, Carnegie. Glen Eira Mayor Cr Neil Pilling will open the new premises and there will be free children's activities. All new memberships will be discounted by 20 per cent on the day. Contact: 0408 770 142 or visit www.cctl.org.au

Glen Eira U3A will host a beginners' duplicate bridge course for people over 55. The 12 week course commences on Tuesday 10 September from 1pm to 3pm. Cost of \$25 includes course notes. Contact: 9572 0571.

Open house and garden tour: As part of *Sustainable House Day*, Helen and James' comfortable, low-cost and sustainable Victorian home at 30 Clarence Street, Elsternwick will be open to the public on Sunday 14 September from 10am to 4pm. Entry is \$5. Contact: 0413 875 872.

Bentleigh Over 50s getaway to Canberra, Batemans Bay and Jervis Bay will be held between Monday 29 September and Saturday 4 October. Stop over at Lakes Entrance on the way home. Contact: 9557 5739.

21st Annual Blessing of the Animals will be held on Sunday 5 October from 2pm at St James the Great Anglican Church, 435 Inkerman Street, St Kilda East. All pets attending will receive an individual blessing. Free entry, but donation appreciated. Contact: 9563 1949.

Murrumbeena Relay for Life will be held on Saturday 11 October and Sunday 12 October. Registrations for the 2014 event at Duncan Mackinnon Reserve are now open. Contact: 0407 633 725 or email loren.lawford@gmail.com

COMMUNITY

Dog/pet sitting club: expressions of interest are being sought from pet lovers wanting to join a dog/pet sitting club. Members would look after each other's whilst away. Contact: 0408 102 552 (SMS preferred) or email katieshafar@gmail.com

Elsternwick Toddlers Playgroup, Foster Street, Elsternwick, has sessions Monday to Friday, 9.30am to 12.30pm and Tuesdays, 3pm to 5pm, including school holidays. Great for babies and preschoolers (up to five years) and their parents/carers. New members welcome. Contact: etp-au.org or email etpmembership@gmail.com

Get rid of the winter blues: Snooker is back in vogue. Pick up a cue on the second and fourth Monday of every month from 2.30pm at Bentleigh East Senior Citizens Centre, Derry Street, Bentleigh East. Contact: 9682 1682 or visit www.life.org.au/bentleigh

Godfrey Street Community House offers a variety of adult and children's programs, art classes, iPad and other computer classes, *Mini Groovers* for children 18 months to three years and after school drawing for children seven to 12 years. Enrolments for three-year-old kindergarten in 2015 are now open. Contact: 9557 9037.

保護孩子預防百日咳

百日咳是一種令人難受的疾病，可造成病人一陣陣咳嗽，而且咳嗽可持續數月。

健康部 (Department of Health) 統計資料表明，今年截至七月一日，維多利亞州已有1,533個通報病例。在Glen Eira市,同期已有28個通報病例。

為了保護兒童預防這種具有潛在致命性的嚴重疾病，Glen Eira市政府敦促家長讓孩子注射疫苗。

第一劑百日咳疫苗在孩子六周時注射。隨後在孩子四個月、六個月和四歲時注射加強劑，最後一劑加強劑是在孩子上 10 年級時注射。

市政府公共健康經理 Stuart Symes 鼓勵所有家長在給孩子免疫接種方面做出知情決定。

“保護兒童，預防包括百日咳在內的通過疫苗可以防止的疾病，免疫接種是最安全、最有效的方法，” Symes 先生說。

市政府免疫接種服務

市政府每月將在全市各地的不同地點，舉辦 10 次社區免疫接種服務以及一次特別的四歲兒童免疫接種服務。

這些接種服務旨在滿足從不上班的家長到從事全職工作的家長等所有家庭的需要。

屆時將免費提供全國健康和醫學研究委員會制定的“全國免疫計劃”推薦的所有疫苗，但參加這些免疫接種服務需要具有國民保健 (Medicare) 資格。

讓孩子在出生、六周、四個月、六個月、六個月、12個月、18個月以及四歲時注射疫苗，這一點非常重要。

有關市政府免疫服務的詳情，請聯絡市政府服務中心，電話：9524 3333；或瀏覽：www.gleneira.vic.gov.au。

Προστατέψτε το παιδί σας από τον κοκίτη

Ο κοκίτης είναι μια οδυνηρή ασθένεια που προκαλεί κρίσεις βήχα που μπορεί να διαρκέσουν για λίγους μήνες.

Στατιστικά στοιχεία του Υπουργείου Υγείας δείχνουν ότι μέχρι την 1η Ιουλίου, εφέτος είχαμε 1.533 κοινοποιημένες περιπτώσεις κοκίτη στη Βικτώρια. Στο Δήμο Glen Eira, είχαμε 28 κοινοποιήσεις για την ίδια χρονική περίοδο.

Στο πλαίσιο της προσπάθειας για την προστασία των παιδιών απ' αυτή τη σοβαρή και δυνητικά θανατηφόρα ασθένεια, ο Δήμος Glen Eira παροτρύνει τους γονείς να εμβολιάσουν τα παιδιά τους.

Το πρώτο εμβόλιο κατά του κοκίτη χορηγείται στην ηλικία των έξι εβδομάδων. Μετά χορηγούνται ενισχυτικά εμβόλια στην ηλικία των τεσσάρων και έξι μηνών, τεσσάρων χρόνων και το τελευταίο όταν το παιδί εγγραφεί στην πρώτη Τάξη Λυκείου (Year 10).

Ο Διευθυντής Δημόσιας Υγείας του Δήμου Stuart Symes ενθαρρύνει όλους τους γονείς να λάβουν μια τεκμηριωμένη απόφαση σχετικά με την ανοσοποίηση των παιδιών τους.

«Ο εμβολιασμός είναι ο ασφαλέστερος και ο πιο αποτελεσματικός τρόπος για την προστασία των παιδιών από ασθένειες που προλαμβάνονται με εμβόλιο, συμπεριλαμβανομένου του κοκίτη», είπε ο κ. Symes.

Συνεδρίες εμβολιασμού του Δήμου

Ο Δήμος διεξάγει 10 κοινοτικές συνεδρίες εμβολιασμού και μία ειδική συνεδρία για τετράχρονα παιδιά κάθε μήνα σε διάφορους χώρους σε ολόκληρο το δήμο.

Οι συνεδρίες έχουν σχεδιαστεί για να καλύπτουν τις ανάγκες όλων των οικογενειών, από το γονέα που μένει σπίτι έως τους γονείς που εργάζονται με πλήρη απασχόληση.

Όλα τα εμβόλια που συνιστώνται από το *Εθνικό Πρόγραμμα Εμβολιασμού*, όπως ορίζεται από το Συμβούλιο Εθνικής Υγείας και Ιατρικής Έρευνας, προσφέρονται δωρεάν, όμως η επιλεξιμότητα Medicare είναι υποχρεωτική για να παρευρεθούν στις συνεδρίες.

Είναι σημαντικό για τα παιδιά να εμβολιάζονται κατά τη γέννηση, στην ηλικία των έξι εβδομάδων, τεσσάρων μηνών, έξι μηνών, 12 μηνών, 18 μηνών και τεσσάρων χρόνων.

Για περισσότερες πληροφορίες σχετικά με τις συνεδρίες εμβολιασμού του Δήμου, επικοινωνήστε με το Κέντρο Εξυπηρέτησης Δημοτών του Δήμου στο 9524 3333 ή επισκεφθείτε την ιστοσελίδα www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

Proteggi il tuo bimbo dalla pertosse

La pertosse è una fastidiosa malattia che causa nel bambino accessi di tosse che possono perdurare anche alcuni mesi.

Le statistiche effettuate dal Dipartimento della Sanità indicano che quest'anno come al 1° di luglio si sono verificati nel Victoria 1.533 casi notificati di pertosse. Per lo stesso periodo di tempo sono pervenute al Comune di Glen Eira 28 notifiche di incorrenza della malattia.

Nel tentativo di proteggere i bambini da questa seria malattia potenzialmente letale, il Comune di Glen Eira esorta i genitori a provvedere alla vaccinazione dei propri figli.

La prima dose del vaccino antipertosse viene amministrata a sei settimane dopo la nascita. Ulteriori richiami vengono effettuati poi a quattro e sei mesi di vita, a quattro anni ed infine quando l'adolescente viene ammesso all'anno 10 della scuola superiore.

Stuart Symes, funzionario del Comune addetto alla Sanità, esorta tutti i genitori a prendere una decisione informata quando si tratta di immunizzare i propri figli.

“L'immunizzazione tramite vaccino è la maniera più sicura ed efficace di proteggere i bambini contro le malattie prevenibili come la pertosse” ha affermato Symes.

Sessioni comunali per l'immunizzazione

Il Comune conduce mensilmente 10 sessioni di immunizzazione comunitaria ed una sessione speciale per bimbi di quattro anni in diverse sedi entro la municipalità.

Le sessioni sono programmate allo scopo di soddisfare le necessità di ogni famiglia, dal genitore che sta a casa a quello che lavora a tempo pieno.

Tutti i vaccini raccomandati dal programma nazionale di immunizzazione, *National Immunisation Program*, come stabilito dal consiglio di ricerca per la sanità nazionale, National Health and Medical Research Council, vengono offerti a titolo gratuito, tuttavia per avvalersi della sessione di immunizzazione si richiede l'idoneità al sistema di assistenza sanitaria Medicare.

È essenziale che i bambini vengano vaccinati alla nascita, a sei settimane, a quattro mesi, sei mesi, 12 mesi, 18 mesi e quattro anni.

Per ulteriori informazioni sulla sessione comunali di immunizzazione rivolgersi al Centro Servizi Comunali al numero 9524 3333 oppure visitare il sito www.gleneira.vic.gov.au

Защитите своего ребенка от коклюша

Коклюш - это доводящее больного до изнеможения заболевание, вызывающее приступы кашля, и оно может длиться несколько месяцев.

Статистика Департамента здравоохранения показывает, что за этот год на 1 июля в штате Виктория было зарегистрировано 1533 случая коклюша. За этот же период времени в районе Glen Eira было зарегистрировано 28 случаев.

В целях защиты детей от этой серьезной и потенциально смертельной болезни муниципалитет Glen Eira призывает родителей делать детям прививки.

Первая прививка от коклюша ставится, когда ребенку полтора месяца. Последующие повторные прививки ставятся в четыре и шесть месяцев, в четыре года, и самая последняя, когда ребенок пойдет в 10-й класс.

Начальник отдела здравоохранения муниципалитета Стюарт Саймс призывает всех родителей принять взвешенное решение, когда дело касается иммунизации их ребенка.

“Иммунизация является самым безопасным и наиболее эффективным способом защиты детей от предотвратимых с помощью вакцины заболеваний, в том числе коклюша,” - сказал г-н Саймс.

Проводимые муниципалитетом сеансы иммунизации

Каждый месяц муниципалитетом проводится 10 общих сеансов иммунизации и один специальный сеанс иммунизации для детей в возрасте четырех лет в различных помещениях на территории района.

Эти сеансы были спланированы таким образом, чтобы удовлетворить потребности всех родителей, как работающих, так и работающих полный рабочий день.

Все вакцины, рекомендованные *Национальной программой иммунизации* в соответствии с правилами Национального совета по здравоохранению и медицинским исследованиям, предлагаются бесплатно, однако для участия в сеансах необходимо соответствие требованиям Medicare.

Важно, чтобы прививки были поставлены детям при рождении, в возрасте шести недель, четырех месяцев, шести месяцев, 12 месяцев, 18 месяцев и четырех лет.

Чтобы получить дополнительную информацию о проводимых муниципалитетом сеансах иммунизации, звоните в центр обслуживания клиентов муниципалитета по номеру 9524 3333 или зайдите на сайт www.gleneira.vic.gov.au



Exhibitions

Glen Eira City Council Art Gallery, Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield. Phone: 9524 3333. Opening times: Monday–Friday, 10am–5pm, Saturday and Sunday, 1pm–5pm. Free admission.

Twenty Melbourne Painters Society Inc.

Continues until 3 August

Jenny Pihan Fine Art presents the 96th annual exhibition of the Twenty Melbourne Painters Society Inc., showcasing recent paintings from this prestigious group of traditional realist painters. Established in 1918, the enduring strength of this group is due to the foresight and conviction of its founding and past members.



Maxwell Wilks
Southern Cross 2013
Oil on canvas
87 x 78 cm

Christopher Kerley: Suburban Narratives 7–24 August

In this recent series of works, Christopher Kerley examines local suburban landscapes and an interest in the light, composition, colours and shapes that exist within seemingly mundane environments, such as backyards and buildings.

“I am curious about subtle narratives that can emerge from figurative paintings. While much of the work was created en plein air, I have also used photographs and imagination to create images that explore and experiment with narrative further,” Christopher Kerley said.



Christopher Kerley
Small red house 2014
gouache on paper, 36 x 56 cm

B'nai B'rith Shalom Menorah Unit 19th Annual Jewish Youth Art Competition 7–24 August

The *Jewish Youth Art Competition* aims to develop and enhance the artistic abilities of youth aged 11 to 18. This important annual exhibition showcases the innovative artworks created by talented Jewish youth, including drawings, paintings, multimedia, sculpture and digital photography. Patron: Lady Anna Cowen.

Winter Music Series is coming to an end

Winter Music Series, proudly presented by Glen Eira City Council, is coming to an end. Don't miss out on seeing some of Australia's most talented performers at Glen Eira Town Hall on Sunday afternoons from 2.30pm.

Tickets are \$23 and concession tickets are \$20.

For further information and accessibility requirements, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.

Present your myki ticket to receive a free glass of wine or soft drink from the *Winter Music Series* bar.

Tamara Kuldin Sunday 3 August Glen Eira Town Hall — Theatrette

Melbourne-based Tamara Kuldin is a rare breed of jazz songstress who brings back the sass and sophistication of that vintage era of music. Her wave of song is captivating audiences around town as she infuses her stage with warmth, charisma and musicality. Tamara Kuldin allures with her trademark cheek, coquettish charm and a captivating voice.

Mary Mass Sunday 10 August Glen Eira Town Hall — Theatrette

Mary Mass is a unique big voiced jazz singer and has performed with *The State Oleg Lundstrem Jazz Orchestra* of the former Soviet Union, as well as with a number of various highly regarded jazz and contemporary groups in Europe and Australia.

Mary arrived in Melbourne in December 1996 and established herself at Melbourne's Rasputin Restaurant where she performed a wide variety of genres and styles for a local, Russian and Jewish audience.

Sunday 17 August Glen Eira Town Hall — Theatrette

The *TWOKS* are a contemporary, tribal-infused, pseudo-impro, electric string orchestra — without the orchestra. They include just a drummer and a violinist/vocalist. There are no backing tracks and no laptop used — all the music is live.

The *TWOKS* will take you on a sonic adventure through dark, dense and tribal soundscapes, to sweet violinistic melodies and melancholy stories.

This Melbourne-based duo has a huge following and has released three albums.



Slava and Leonard Grigoryan Sunday 31 August Glen Eira Town Hall — Auditorium

The Grigoryan brothers performed for the Glen Eira community five years ago as headliners of the *Winter Music Series*, selling out the Auditorium and receiving standing ovations.

The brothers have kept extremely busy since, building their fan base here in Australia and around the globe. They have released 21 albums and toured extensively, performing with symphony orchestras and at international festivals in Australia and Europe. Slava has also taken on the role of Artistic Director for the *2014 Adelaide International Guitar Festival*.

Childrens Book Week 16–22 August



Sustainable kitchen gardens with Penny Woodward

Wednesday 13 August, 2pm–3pm
Carnegie Library and Community Centre
— Boyd Room



Learn about sustainable gardens with Penny Woodward who has been growing, writing about and photographing edible and useful plants for more than 30 years. After seven books and countless articles and talks, her passion for her subject is undiminished. Penny contributes regular articles and photographs to her website and to the ABC's *Organic Gardener Magazine* and *Essential Guides*, as well as on radio talkback.

Book online at library.gleneira.vic.gov.au at any Glen Eira library or contact 9563 0971.

The Reading Hour Teddy Bear StoryTime Tuesday 19 August, 7pm Carnegie Library

Sharing a book with your child for 10 minutes a day, an hour a week is the aim of *The Reading Hour*. Join us for a *Teddy Bear StoryTime* to mark the *Reading Hour*. Come in your pyjamas and bring your favourite teddy. There will be teddy stories, songs and teddy bear biscuits.

Children and parents can join in the fun and then borrow books to continue the reading experience together at home.

To find out more about *The Reading Hour*, visit www.love2read.org.au/readinghour.cfm
No bookings required.



TheReadingHour

Children's Book Week 16–22 August Connect to reading Saturday 16 August Carnegie Library

Join us for the opening of *Children's Book Week*. Meet Angelina Ballerina at 1pm and 3pm and enjoy *StoryTime* with Angelina Ballerina at 2pm. Have your face painted like a mouse, favourite animal or superhero and make colourful paper garlands for your bedroom from 1pm to 4pm.

Book Week StoryTimes

Visit our regular *StoryTime* sessions during *Book Week* for stories from books nominated for *Book of the Year* — *Early Childhood*. Visit our website for session times, library.gleneira.vic.gov.au

Reader's Rewards with Eira

Connect to reading and borrow to win! Just borrow three items between 1 and 31 August to go into the weekly prize draw for a \$50 shopping voucher. Open to library members 17 years and younger.

Caring for the Glen Eira community

Glen Eira City Council's in home support workers undertake a range of caring roles in the community, providing services for clients of all ages.

Services include personal care (showering and dressing), home care (cleaning and household duties) and respite (time out for carers).

These services help the City's older and disabled residents remain independent in their own homes for longer.

If you want to work flexible hours and seek a feel good job that offers opportunities for professional development, then why not consider working for Council's Community Care Unit as a support worker.

You will be able to use your communication skills, empathy and initiative in assisting frail older people and people with disabilities to live independently at home.

A range of positions are currently available. Positions are four or five days per week.

All applicants will be required to undergo a police check and a work-based medical check.

For further information, contact Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333.



Re-inventing Hopscotch

Re-inventing Hopscotch is an exciting art installation that was devised by Chalk Circle artists Bev Isaac and Peter Voice for Carnegie Library.

During the school holidays, both artists worked on the 1.5 metre by three metre canvas that reflects a three dimensional hopscotch game.

On Tuesday 1 July in the Carnegie library foyer area, the artwork was officially handed over to Glen Eira City Council's library staff in front of many interested community members.

This piece will be displayed at Carnegie Library.





Capital works update

Glen Eira City Council is renowned for its parks. This year, Council has been busy upgrading its parks and gardens. Works have included upgrading play spaces and equipment, walking trails, fencing, sportsgrounds and shade sails. All upgrades are designed to inject new vibrancy into each park and cater to all members of the community. Better facilities are a key way of attracting greater use of local facilities by the wider community, so why not get outdoors and enjoy your new and improved open spaces.

Bailey Reserve	New walking trail	East Boundary Road, Bentleigh East
Caulfield Park ovals 3 and 4	Installation of drought-tolerant grasses, sub-surface drainage, irrigation, new trees, and pathway lighting along park crescent	Inkerman Road, Caulfield North
Colin Street Reserve	New play space equipment	Colin Street, Bentleigh East
Duncan Mackinnon Reserve	New play space equipment	Murrumbeena Road, Murrumbeena
Glen Huntly Reserve	New walking trail	Neerim Road, Caulfield East
Harleston Park	Upgrade to the water feature	Seymour Road, Elsternwick
Marlborough Street Reserve	New play space equipment	Marlborough Street, Bentleigh East
Mackie Road Reserve	New play space equipment	Mackie Road, Bentleigh East
Pell Street Reserve	New shade sails over the playspace	Pell Street, Bentleigh East
Victory Park oval 1	Improved drainage system for oval 1	Patterson Road, Bentleigh
Wattle Grove Reserve	New shade sails over the playspace	Wattle Grove McKinnon

More and better open space at Glen Huntly Reservoir



On Monday 23 June, approximately 45 community members attended a public meeting, which included a presentation by independent landscape architect John Patrick about the planned conversion of the Glen Huntly Reservoir to a new park.

Residents raised a number of points for investigation including parking and cycling; existing trees and new indigenous planting; capturing rainwater for the gardens; treatment of the reservoir walls; graffiti deterrence; and public lighting.

Residents were in strong support of the concept.

The project is fully funded to start in 2015.



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Bentleigh-Bayside Community Health

Gardeners Road, Bentleigh East

Saturday 16 August and Saturday 20 September 9am–11am

Wednesday 13 August and Wednesday 10 September 5.30pm–7.30pm

Thursday 28 August and Thursday 25 September 5.30pm–7.30pm

Carnegie Library and Community Centre

7 Shepparson Avenue, Carnegie

Wednesday 20 August and Wednesday 17 September 1pm–2.30pm and 5.30pm–7.30pm

DC Bricker — Princes Park

Beech Street, Caulfield South

Monday 25 August and Monday 29 September 9.30am–11.30am

Glen Eira Town Hall Auditorium (entry via Glen Eira Road)

Corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

Tuesday 12 August and Tuesday 9 September 9.30am–11.30am

Tuesday 5 August and Tuesday 2 September 6pm–7pm

Glen Huntly Maternal and Child Health Centre

Corner Royal and Rosedale Avenues, Glen Huntly

Wednesday 27 August and Wednesday 24 September 9.30am–11.30am

McKinnon Public Hall

118 McKinnon Road, McKinnon

Monday 4 August and Monday 1 September 9.30am–11.30am

Getting over the mid-year hurdles — study tips



It's that time of year again, when we know end of year exams are creeping closer. As daunting as it can be, the following preparation techniques will make it easier for you to get through.

Being organised

- Pick an environment that will allow you to focus — this could be your bedroom, school library or your local library.
- Make a study timetable and allow time for different subjects to be covered.
- If you feel like you need to make more time for specific subjects, then do that. You will know what needs to be prioritised.
- Think about the way you study. Do you prefer using flash cards or studying straight from a text book?

Nutrition

Make sure you stay hydrated and eat plenty of fruit and vegetables to keep your brain focused and body fuelled with nutrients. This will also help you fight off any winter bugs that may be going around.

Shut down social media

As much as social media has become a part of everyday life, you might find that shutting it down or turning

notifications off for a little while will stop easy distractions. This will allow you to continue your focus when getting through your work.

Take a break

Remember to take a break. Take time out to be in the fresh air and let your brain switch off. You might find that, going for a run or walk will help or perhaps you would prefer to do some meditation or watch an episode of your favourite television show. Whatever best suits you, it is important to fit this into your daily schedule.

Don't stop doing the things you love. If you have other commitments, you don't have to stop doing them. You may need to cut back on some things, but you don't have to give up what you love while you're studying. Social commitments, especially group sports, can be a good break from studying.

Talk about it

Always remember that you are not alone in finding exams and preparing for exams stressful or difficult. If you are feeling increasingly stressed or worried, let someone know what you are feeling. It could be a teacher, family member, friend or youth worker that you talk to. This will help you figure out ways to solve problems and reduce your stress levels making the process easier to cope with.

Moving Up program

Glen Eira City Council Youth Service's *Moving Up* program is running again in local primary schools during terms three and four.

The program, which commenced in 2009, aims to assist Year 6 students with their transition into high school.

Moving Up looks at ongoing issues facing young people including:

- friendships — new and old;
- bullying — what is it, how to stop it and where to go for help;
- self-esteem — how to increase coping skills; and

- what high school is really like — sorting out the fact from fiction.

A secondary aspect of the program is then delivered the following year in local public high schools by Youth Services youth workers to year seven students.

This innovative program complemented with the support of school support services, ensures the transition to secondary school is smooth and successful.

For further information about *Moving Up*, contact Youth Services 9524 3676.

Youth worker support

Young people often face a range of challenging pressures as they grow and develop through their transition into adulthood. To support them through this time, Glen Eira City Council Youth Services provides free and confidential support to young people aged 10 to 25.

Youth Services can also support young people by connecting them with agencies and services that can provide help with mental health, accommodation, employment and

further training.

Young people can speak to Council's friendly youth workers about a range of issues they may be facing, including challenges with relationships; stress; body image; and problems at school or home.

To make an appointment with a youth worker, contact Youth Services on 9524 3676.

Appointments are available Monday to Thursday from 1pm to 6pm and Fridays from 1pm to 5pm.

Keep up-to-date with Youth Services

Throughout 2014, Glen Eira City Council Youth Services will host a variety of programs and events that young people aged 10 to 25 can be a part of.

These programs and events include one-on-one support, art and music events, a music recording program, a girls only self-esteem and self-defence program, youth leadership opportunities, parent information nights and a variety of school-based programs.

With a jammed packed year of opportunities, we have a number of different ways to keep you informed

about what's happening.

If you would like to be kept up-to-date about programs and events, we welcome you to put your contact details on our parent or youth mailing list.

You can do this by contacting Youth Services on 9534 3676 or emailing youthservices@gleneira.vic.gov.au

You can also visit our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/GlenEiraYouthServices

We look forward to supporting young people and giving them an opportunity to contribute to their community.

The Summit

On Tuesday 22 July, Glen Eira City Council Youth Services hosted its annual youth leadership conference — *The Summit*.

Year 9 and 10 students from local high schools in Glen Eira had the opportunity to hear from two inspiring guest speakers — Justine Flynn from ThankYou and Elliot Costello from Y-Generation Against Poverty (YGAP).

Attendees left *The Summit* having gained valuable insight from both speakers, inspiring them to enact positive change within their local school communities.

Youth Services hopes students not only enjoyed *The Summit*, but also took from it, practical strategies and tips they can put into practice in their endeavours.

Crave motivation — how to increase the commitment to act and learn about the science of motivation



Ever encountered an employee that just wasn't on board with your agenda?

Have you had a client or customer who couldn't see the benefit of your ideas?

It seems like it's human nature to disagree. In fact, science shows that a healthy scepticism is good for the body and mind. However, when the scepticism turns to resistance, it can lead to obstructive behavior and burnout.

This interactive presentation uses the latest research and understanding of human motivation, to show you how your interaction style can directly influence your employees and clients to enthusiastically embrace change and new ideas — or in some cases, shut down.

At this workshop you will:

- understand the real reason people change and what really motivates them — it's not always what you think; and
- find out how to ask the right questions to motivate your employees and clients into action, without the angst.

Presenter — Nicole Lee

Associate Professor Nicole Lee is Director of LeeJenn Health Consultants and Associate Professor at Flinders University. She is internationally recognised for her research and training in motivating behaviour change and has more than 20 years' experience in

training professionals to support change in their employees, customers and clients.

Date: Thursday 21 August

Time: 6.30pm arrival for 7pm start

Where: Glen Eira Town Hall, corner Glen Eira and Hawthorn Roads, Caulfield

Cost: \$20 per person (networking opportunity and light finger food on arrival)

RSVP: bookings essential by Monday 18 August to Council's Service Centre on 9524 3333

Dress code: for the fun of it we are committed to wearing a colour — please wear colour (it can be an accessory).



Social Support volunteers required



The Social Support and Monitoring Service provides a valuable community service to isolated older people and people with a disability living independently within the Glen Eira community. Volunteer roles include assisting with shopping; transport and escort to appointments; and friendly visiting. A car is essential and five years driving experience is required.

If you have a few hours to spare and enjoy the company of others, contact Co-ordinator Sandra Tauber on 9571 8622 or email stauber@gleneira.vic.gov.au

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