

MEDIA STATEMENT



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City springs into action in Glen Iris

The residents of Glen Iris have outlined their aspirations for their suburb and their input has formed a plan for improvements across a range of areas.

In December the City of Bunbury held a Street Meet where residents were invited to put forward their ideas to City staff and the City's online engagement portal Social Pinpoint was also used to seek feedback.

Themes raised during the consultation have now formed the basis of the City's Glen Iris Action Plan.

The plan includes initiatives and activities relating to beautification, bushland management, community connection, land-use planning, littering/dumping, improvements to parks and open space, paths and kerbs, road safety, space activation, traffic management and street lighting.

Assigned to each theme is an action as well as a timeframe for when each action will be completed by.

Some specific actions include:

- Replanting roundabouts to add colour and vibrancy
- New trees being planted
- Planning for a new entry statement (subject to budget approval)
- Educating the community about rubbish dumping
- Support the community to apply for the City's minor and annual community funding
- Additional bins
- Playground maintenance
- More footpaths
- Install traffic counters and calming devices in known hoon areas
- Solar lighting installation

Deputy Mayor Jaysen Miguel thanked the Glen Iris community for its valued input.

"We are focused on revitalising Glen Iris and to ensure the residents' wants and needs for their suburb are heard," Cr Miguel said.

"This is just the first step in improving the suburb."

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The Bunbury Development Committee (BDC) is facilitating the planning of key projects in Bunbury including Glen Iris.

BDC chair Robyn Fenech said she was pleased locals have taken up the opportunity to provide input.

“Glen Iris is a well-located suburb. It is apparent there are a range of things that can be done to improve the suburb. We’re also looking at structure planning and access into the area,” Ms Fenech said.

“We thank the City of Bunbury for their cooperation on this joint project.”

Integrated planning has begun with a Local and State Government commitment to prepare a district structure plan over Glen Iris.

This will address issues relating to the upgrading requirements for Vittoria Road and key intersections with the Forrest Highway and South West Highway, the provision of community facilities and open space, drainage, housing diversity and general road connectivity.

The preparatory modelling work and district structure plan is expected to take about 12 to 18 months to complete.

The Glen Iris Action Plan can be viewed via Social Pinpoint – bunbury.mysocialpinpoint.com.au – by clicking on the Glen Iris Street Meet link on the homepage.

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