The new foreshore park is ready for summer

As the weather warms up the new foreshore park will be the perfect place for fun, with a water play area, barbecues, seating, shade canopies and generous grassed areas.

This new shared open space will connect and enhance Carrum’s beachside feel, with vast and shady places for reprieve during the hot summer months while locals and visitors stay at the beach.

We heard locals wanted a wide range of planting with a mix of engendered and native trees, shrubs and grasses that reflect and enhance Carrum’s beachside look and feel.

A total of 100 new trees and 80,000 plants, shrubs and grasses have been planted in the area. Bankside trees were planted in the new foreshore park, along Station Street and the Nepean Highway, that will create a fine canopy in the hot summer months. Norfolk Island pines have also been planted to provide a garden to the large long pine were able to keep throughout construction.

All plants have been specifically chosen to thrive in Carrum’s coastal conditions. We are in our first year period where the project team will continue to ensure the plants thrive.

We’ve also incorporated some local history into the new design. The red brick bench seats along the newly paved Old Post Office Lawns were salvaged from old Carrum Station, thanks to the feedback from members of the Carrum Revitalisation Reference Group.

Carrum’s new open spaces were connected by the new shared use path that runs along Station Street, with six new pedestrian crossings are crossing across Station Street and five across Nepean Highway, providing safer walking and cycling access through Carrum and to the beach.

New artwork

Carrum is looking more colourful than ever thanks to some amazing artwork on the new Eel Race Road underpass.

Painted by local Indigenous artists, the mural promotes and celebrates the culture and heritage of the Boon Wurrung community. The symbols and patterns in the artwork capture the diverse landscapes of the area and represent flora and fauna that live on country.

The artwork also acknowledges the connected relationship between the Traditional Owners and the land. There’s still more artwork to come at Karrum Karrum Bridge and the new basketball half-court. Thanks to some amazing artwork on the new Eel Race Road underpass.

Eel Race Road underpass.

We’ve also installed a new shade canopy at the village green to make sure the space can be enjoyed by the community all year around.

The village green is located under the rail bridge and provides seating, shade, walking and cycling routes through the village green complete. New artwork, bicycle and pedestrian crossings and taxi rank opens.

Earlier this year we removed the dangerous and congested Station Street Level Crossing and opened the new Carrum Station. Over the past few months we have been moving ahead with the Carrum revitalisation works, these works were deemed critical under Stage 4 restrictions and able to continue with strict health and safety protocols in place.

The new signalised pedestrian crossings, installed in August across the Nepean Highway, Eel Race Road and Station Street, are now operational. This creates safer connections between public transport, local shops and the beach.

What we’ve delivered

• Removed three level crossings
• Built the new Carrum Station
• Created 1.2 hectares of open space
• Built Karrum Karrum bridge
• Developed the new promenade and direct connection to beach – including new McLeod Rd intersection
• Southern car park open
• Revitalisation works complete

Early 2020

• Station Street Level Crossing removed
• Carrum Station opened at Watters Road
• Works continued on Station Street
• Revitalisation works begun

Mid 2022

• Climate-controlled waiting area completed
• Secure bike storage and steps installed
• Carrum Station opens at McLeod Rd
• Bus bay, kiss-and-ride and taxi rank opens
• Eel Race Road walking and cycling underpass open
• Trader and general car park open
• Village green open
• Carrum Station garden completed

Late 2020

• Planting complete
• Direct connection from McLeod Road to the beach open
• Foreshore park open
• Southern car park open
• Revitalisation works complete
CARRUM'S TRANSFORMATION

We’ve come a long way in Carrum

Patterson River
This new Karrum Karrum Bridge has created a new connection for locals to travel through the area, while the yarning circle and urban marker showcase Carrum’s Indigenous heritage.

Carrum Station
The new Carrum Station includes a climate-controlled waiting room at ground level, accessible toilets, and more bike storage.

Station Street pedestrian and cycling access
Carrum’s new shared use path will soon connect to Seaford, Hansa Bay and Frankston stations. When ready, in 2022 it will run for 12 kilometres from Edithvale to Frankston.

Station Street level crossing
This dangerous and congested level crossing has now been replaced with a rail bridge, opening up space and providing safe connections to local shops and the beach.

McLeod Road extension and foreshore park
Locals can now drive straight to the beach or enjoy a stroll through the new community space which includes barbeque facilities and shaded areas.

The removal of three level crossings has also created 1.2 hectares of new community space which is the equivalent of AAMI Stadium for locals to now enjoy.