

## Save the date! Nov. 24 Community Forum, 6:30 pm, location TBA

Weather permitting, we are considering having the next community forum outdoors for a fresh change of scenery! Fresh faces and voices are especially encouraged to come along and positively contribute to a healthy discussion. For example, pool renovations are making good progress – come along and learn more.



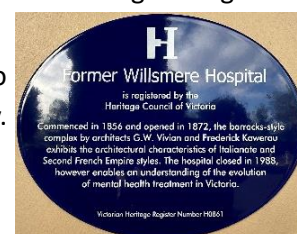
## News and Reminders

**Parking Outside Main Entrance:** Please note that parking outside the main entrance is not permitted except for trades actively undertaking works with any necessary Building Manager approval, and drop-offs or pick-ups.

**CCTV systems** are being upgraded with a couple of additional cameras to be installed in common areas. The purpose is to increase security, safety, prevent misuse or vandalism, and ultimately encourage fair enjoyment by all residents.

**Gym and Function Room.** Repairs to the torn canvas windows and doors have been initiated. Signage will be improved, indeed across the site. A new CCTV camera is intended to deter future vandalism. Personal equipment is not to be left in the gym, even with the best of intentions. Space is limited and these can become trip hazards. The Building Manager will soon remove these items if not reclaimed by their owners.

**Heritage Victoria:** An official blue plaque adjacent to the main entrance has been installed to acknowledge the significance of Willsmere and encourage curiosity about our fascinating history.



## Community Living

To live in harmony in a communal setting means abiding by a set of rules that apply to everyone.

These are available at [www.Willsmere.net/residents/rules-regulations](http://www.Willsmere.net/residents/rules-regulations). In preparation for an **imminent compliance campaign**, take a moment to rectify any issues you may have let slide. If you receive a courtesy notice, please be receptive and respond promptly. Items that are not addressed will proceed to the formal breach process. A few reminders:

**Pets:** Most owners do the right thing, thank you. But not everyone. Dogs, cats, all animals must not menace anyone, including other animals and wildlife. This includes dogs running or barking near residents, even if seemingly playful. This may frighten or knock over some people, especially children or the elderly. Pick up and properly dispose of your animal's faeces. Do not allow any toileting on, or adjacent to the bowling green. There are off-lead areas just outside Willsmere for dogs to play – take them for a walk! Report recurring issues to the Owners Corp. Manager (OCM), [jxu@micm.com.au](mailto:jxu@micm.com.au). If the inconsiderate few continue to disregard common courtesy, stricter controls may be implemented.

**Common Gardens:** Of all the things that make Willsmere truly magnificent and unique, it's our gardens. Replenishment of our garden beds, hedging and edging is commencing. Unfortunately, someone decided to remove some azaleas just after being planted. Modifications of common gardens is not permitted without authorisation. Constructive suggestions are always welcome via the OCM.

**Laundry and Bicycles:** Until otherwise decided, these are not permitted on balconies, patios, or garden areas. There are clothes lines at the north and south corners, and bike storage in several privies (which have room for improvement.)

**Communications:** The CoM are all dedicated volunteers who have families, jobs, and private lives. Please be mindful of the temptation to approach them directly with issues. This can potentially intrude on their right to privacy and peaceful enjoyment at Willsmere. The appropriate communication channels are (1) MyBOS for maintenance matters, (2) email the OCM, [jxu@micm.com.au](mailto:jxu@micm.com.au) for all other matters.

## Stay in the know!



Please sign up for MyBOS (My Building Operating System) to ensure you receive important announcements, like the Community Forum details. This system also dispatches texts to mobile phones for critical incidents like water outages. And if you see something that needs fixing, it's the correct, easy way to lodge a maintenance request, [www.willsmere.net/residents/mybos](http://www.willsmere.net/residents/mybos).

### Want Better PT around Willsmere? Sign the Petition!

<https://www.jesswilsonkew.com.au/survey/petition-to-increase-access-to-public-transport-for-willsmere-residents>

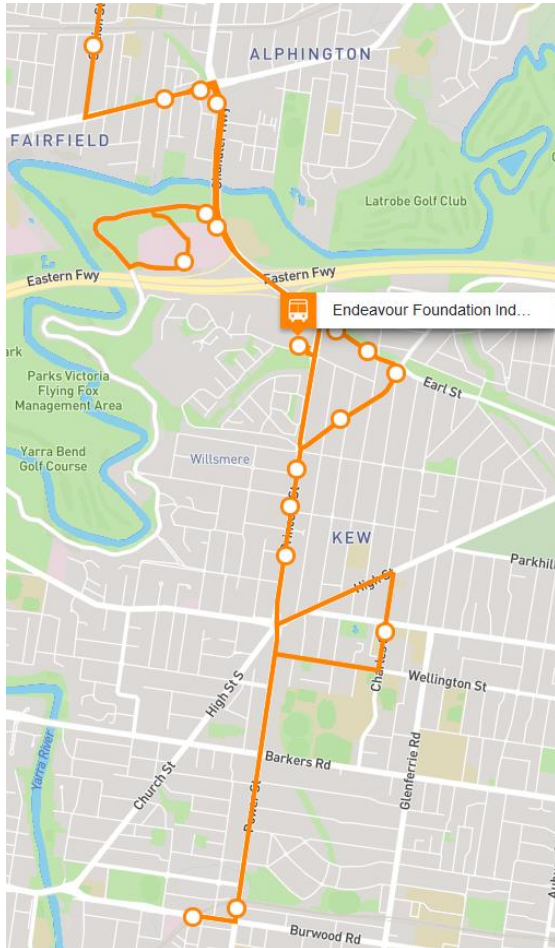
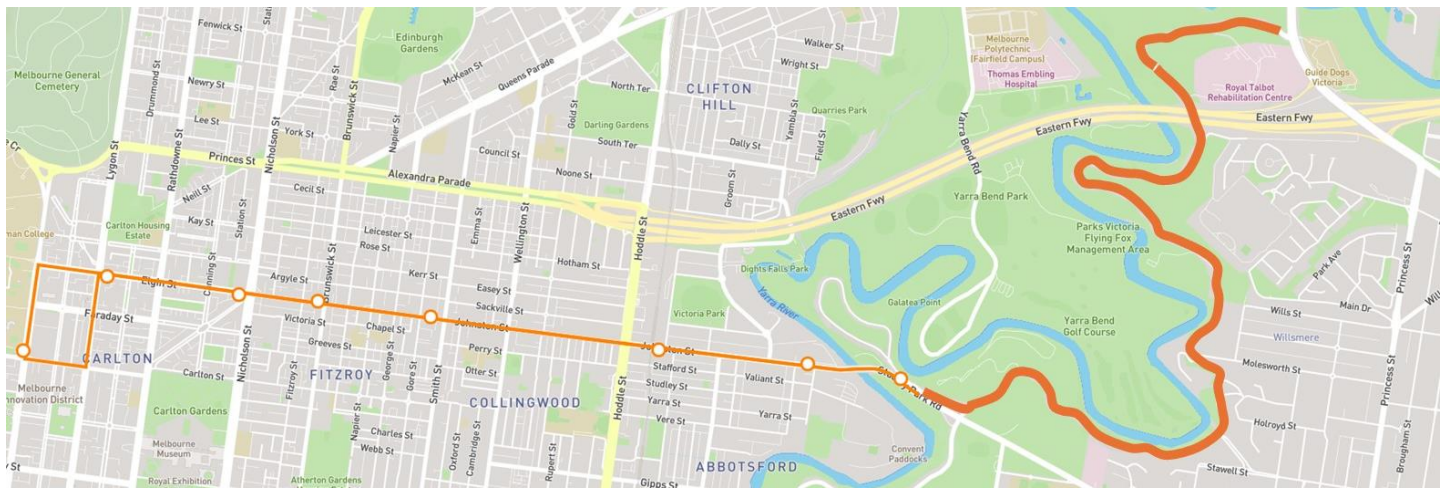


An on-site community Q&A with our sitting MP for Kew, Jess Wilson, and Councillor for Studley Ward, Nick Stavrou, was held on 29<sup>th</sup> of July. This was a non-political event focusing on the needs and issues of Willsmere voters. Jess Wilson has initiated a **petition to improve public transport options** for Willsmere and a **survey invitation** to express your Willsmere Local priorities.

The QR code in the 8-Oct letter all Willsmere residents received was invalid – please use the one to the left or link above. **Spread the word – the more the better!**

**Bus 202** terminates at Yarra Blvd. just off Studley Park Road. A proposal is to extend this service along the Boulevard. This service runs to Melbourne Uni with few stops, rapidly connecting to city trams.

<https://www.ptv.vic.gov.au/route/13797/202-yarra-bend-melbourne-university>.



**Bus 609** runs North-South providing connections to Fairfield and Hawthorn train stations as well schools in our area. It stops inside Hutchinson Drive but has very limited service. <https://www.ptv.vic.gov.au/route/2913/609-hawthorn-to-fairfield-via-kew>.

### Sad but Relieved

The dying and increasing dangerous pine tree has finally been removed. A replacement tree that will eventually provide similar amenity will be planted in Spring 2025.

