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Manningham Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people as the Traditional Owners of the land and waterways now known as Manningham.

Council pays respect to Elders past, present and emerging, and values the ongoing contribution to enrich and appreciate the cultural heritage of Manningham.

Council acknowledges and respects Australia's First Peoples as Traditional Owners of lands and waterways across Country, and encourages reconciliation between all.

Manningham Council also values the contribution made to Manningham over the years by people of diverse backgrounds and cultures.



COVER IMAGE:
Join in the fun at our annual Carols by Candlelight at Ruffey Lake Park.

MESSAGE FROM OUR MAYOR



It's a great honour and privilege to be your Mayor for 2023/2024. Thank you to my fellow Councillors for their support. I look forward to sharing this responsibility with them over the next 12 months, alongside Deputy Mayor, Cr Laura Mayne.

I also want to give a special acknowledgment to Cr Deirdre Diamante, the outgoing Mayor, for guiding us through the past year and leaving a legacy of strong leadership.

At the recent Annual Meeting, where the Council elected me, I promised to govern with diligence, transparency, inclusivity and efficiency. I plan to lead with open-mindedness and empathy, while upholding the organisation's values and achieving the growing community's priorities through the Council Plan.

I have learned from previous mayors on how to successfully provide an inclusive and safe city.

With an El Niño summer increasing our fire risk, I encourage all residents to prepare and be alert of local risks for the upcoming fire season. For current emergency information and warnings, and to download the app, visit emergency.vic.gov.au.

We are lucky to live in this city, where we value sustainability, healthy living, and a sense of belonging and respect for one another.

The Civic Awards is a momentous occasion to recognise, congratulate and show our appreciation to those who have given their time and energy to improve the lives of so many across Manningham. We're proud of this year's winners who have made exceptional contributions to our community. See more on page seven.

I look forward to closing out 2023 at our biggest event of the year, Carols by Candlelight on Friday 8 December. This annual event warmly welcomes everyone across our diverse community to come together at Ruffey Lake Park to enjoy the spirit of Christmas with family and friends. Find out everything you need to know about Carols by Candlelight on page four.

Let's enjoy this year together; let's bring out the best in each other and work with all levels of government to bring about the best outcomes for our community.

Best wishes for the holiday season, and for health and happiness throughout the coming year.

Kind regards,

Cr Carli Lange

Mayor

Gala raises \$50,000 for locals living with dementia

More than 250 guests joined us at this year's Mayoral Charity Gala, which raised \$50,000 to go towards dementia focused initiatives.

A special thanks to our partner MannaCare and everyone who helped raise funds to support this cause.

As a result of the Gala, the first dementia-friendly cafe has now opened. 'Memory Place' is located at MannaCare in Doncaster and is designed to help reduce the impact of social isolation, anxiety and the stigma that can come with a dementia diagnosis.

We hope this is the first of many in Manningham and we'll be sure to share updates in future issues of *Manningham Matters*.

A DAY WITH YOUR FAVES



FIND YOUR LOCAL - A Day With Your Faves

Help us create the ultimate itinerary for a day out in Manningham.

Show us where you like to shop, eat or play for your chance to win! Grab your friends, family or pets and share a pic or reel of your favourite places to visit in Manningham.

Don't forget to tag [@findyourlocalmanningham](https://www.instagram.com/findyourlocalmanningham) and follow us on Instagram to go into the running to win great prizes.

Don't have Instagram? Don't worry, we are also taking submissions through our website.

[@findyourlocalmanningham](https://www.instagram.com/findyourlocalmanningham)

manningham.vic.gov.au/findyourlocal

YOU GOT SNAPPING!

Congratulations to the winners of our 2023 Manningham Photo Competition.

We received more than 350 entries this year, capturing the character of our vibrant city. The final photos were chosen for their representation of Manningham, aesthetic qualities, creativity and storytelling.

Thank you to everyone who participated.



Under 18s

- First place – Marcus Bird
- Second place – Lula Parrott
- Third place – Isaac Parsons



Over 18s

- First place – Pak Ho Wan
- Second place – Sam Parsons
- Third place – Nathan Huppertz



2023 PHOTO COMPETITION

GET YOUR 2024 COMMUNITY CALENDAR!

Enjoy these photos throughout the year at home when you pick up your copy of our 2024 Community Calendar. Each month will feature one of the 12 shortlisted photos selected by our judges.

We are committed to being a financially and environmentally sustainable council. You can collect your copy of the calendar at the Manningham Civic Centre, Manningham Depot and libraries across Manningham. This year we'll only be mailing community calendars to residents experiencing circumstances preventing them from travelling to one of the above locations.

If you are unable to collect a calendar, please request a copy

manningham.vic.gov.au/community-calendar



Guess who's back? Carols is back...

**Friday 8
December
Ruffey Lake Park**

The much-loved Manningham Carols by Candlelight is back to kick-off your festive season!

Don't miss our biggest annual event on Friday 8 December at Ruffey Lake Park. Pack your picnic rug and enjoy entertainment for the whole family!

Pre-show - 6.00pm

The pre-show entertainment will keep the youngsters smiling with Team Dream and fun activities in our Kids Zone.

Main concert - 7.30pm

On the main stage, enjoy a stellar line up of artists, including Sean Millis from *The Voice Australia 2023* and Tahlia Pizzicara who appeared on *Australian Idol* this year.

Lucy Holmes from 89.9 The Light's Lucy and Kel's breakfast show will be helping host our Carols, alongside Richard Thomas, who brings over 25 years of musical theatre experience to our Carol's stage.

The popular All Star Carols Band will be performing alongside the Manningham Concert Band, led by the renowned musical director and Manningham local, John Turcio.

Don't forget Santa - he'll be stopping by and there'll be a spectacular fireworks finale at 9.30pm.

Candles, glow novelties and a selection of drinks and snacks will be available to buy throughout the evening.

Proudly sponsored by Barry Plant Manningham, Silverstar Motors Mercedes-Benz Doncaster, Westfield Doncaster, 89.9 The Light and Montessori Academy.

- Parking is limited so plan ahead.
- Check our website for information on event parking, drop off points and road closures. This is a smoke-free family event.
- You can also register on our website to get the latest event updates and information.

manningham.vic.gov.au/carols-candlelight



Victorian Government announces the need for more housing

Victoria's population is expected to reach 10.3 million by 2051, which means 80,000 homes will need to be built each year for the next decade.

Of this housing, 70 per cent will be in established areas of Melbourne, including Manningham. In September, the Victorian Government released Victoria's Housing Statement 2024-2034, a roadmap to improve housing supply and affordability.

This has resulted in some changes to the Manningham Planning Scheme, introduced without consultation with councils or any other peak local government bodies.

In particular, we have concerns about the removal of third-party appeal rights to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) for certain types of planning applications.

We will continue to advocate to the Victorian Government for transparency in planning decisions and the retention of community participation in the planning process.

Read more about the Statement on the Victorian Government website

vic.gov.au/housing-statement



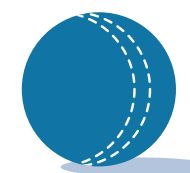
A WIN FOR FINN

Templestowe Cricket Club's Finn Huber was selected to play in the Dubai World Cup, under 14 indoor cricket team.

The trip was topped off by the team heading home crowned champions!

Cricket runs in the family – Finn's mum Fiona was Manningham Sports Person of the Year in 2018. She was also selected for Australia in indoor cricket in 1998 and was the guest speaker at the opening of Mullum Mullum Stadium.

Finn's selection follows excellent performances as captain of the Victorian side in the Australian National Indoor Cricket Championships held in Brisbane earlier this year. Well done Finn!



Kevin Heinze Grow - much more than a nursery

Kevin Heinze Grow (KHG) is a plant nursery, offering much more than meets the eye!

KHG delivers garden-based programs designed for people with a wide range of disabilities. It offers professional speech pathology, occupational therapy and counselling on a one-on-one basis for NDIS participants over 16 years of age.

clientservices@kevinheinzegrow.org.au

It's been a busy year for the team, bringing some exciting new offerings to KHG!

NDIS SUPPORT COORDINATION

The KHG team has established a NDIS support coordination service. It delivers high quality support to new NDIS participants, as well as those who wish to change to a more caring and responsive support coordination service.

KHG's new Support Coordinator, Michele, is passionate about connecting local people to organisations, services and supports. Michele can help you find day programs, recreation, social or therapeutic supports and/or programs which focus on developing independent living skills.

supportcoordination@kevinheinzegrow.org.au



CAFÉ KEVIN NOW OPEN

Café Kevin is a unique café training program, supporting skill-development for people with disabilities. The new onsite cafe serves light snacks and sweet treats, along with hot and cold beverages. Open Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10.00am to 1.30pm.

[Kevin Heinze Grow, 39 Wetherby Road Doncaster](https://www.kevinheinzegrow.org.au)

facebook.com/kevinheinzegrow

instagram.com/kevinheinzegrow

[kevinheinzegrow.org.au](https://www.kevinheinzegrow.org.au)



Life saving local celebrates 850 blood donations

Templestowe's Murray Burnes recently clocked up an impressive milestone - 850 blood, plasma and platelet donations at Lifeblood's Bundoora Donor Centre.

Murray began donating in 1972, initially to manage his then-chronic nose bleeding. More than 50 years on, his motivation has shifted.

"Reaching 850 donations is a proud achievement and I have no intention of stopping," Murray said.

"I once had an opportunity to meet a person one of my donations saved after an emergency transfusion, and it was so powerful. That moment stays with me as a reminder of the impact blood and plasma donations can have."

"It's encouraging to know that something small I do, goes to helping so many people in a big way."

More than 33,000 donations are needed across the country every week, 1,200 of which needs to come from the Bundoora donor centre alone. One blood donation can save up to three lives, so Murray has potentially saved an incredible 2,550 lives over the years.

Cancer treatment, emergency surgery, road trauma and bleeding during childbirth are some of the most common uses for donated blood in Australia.

If you've never donated or haven't donated in a while, now is a great time to do so.

Check if you're eligible and book your appointment using the DonateBlood app, phoning 13 14 95 or online.

lifeblood.com.au

Celebrating our Manningham heroes

The winners of the 2023 Manningham Civic Awards were announced in October and we couldn't be prouder.

These awards recognise residents who have made exceptional contributions to our community through volunteering, unpaid or paid work.

The inspirational winners have shown leadership or dedication to a cause and contributed to the wellbeing of our residents.



**Citizen of the Year
Dennis Clarke**

Though he considers himself extremely lucky, Dennis' own traumatic experiences from the Vietnam War influenced his sense of purpose to unite, acknowledge and take care of others with similar experiences.

With a deep compassion and determination to help those in need, Dennis is highly valued in the RSL community and Manningham more broadly.

manningham.vic.gov.au/civic-awards

**Highly Commended
Community Organisation
Doncaster Junior
Football Club**



**Young Volunteer of the Year
Shin Thant (Berry) Eain**

Berry is an incredible role model to her peers and an advocate for student voice.

She is committed to making a difference and is determined to bridge the gap between local and international students within her school and wider community.

Safe battery disposal prevents fires

Batteries contain toxic substances such as cadmium, mercury and lead which can start a fire in your bin, in our collection trucks or at the recycling facility.

Old batteries, whether intact or damaged, also leak toxic chemicals into the environment potentially endangering health and property. Knowing how to correctly dispose of old batteries will help protect you, our contractors and our local environment from fire and contamination risk.

Learn more about safe battery storage and disposal and view your recycling drop-off points at

recyclingnearyou.com.au

Our mini recycling stations accept household batteries along with globes, x-rays and small e-waste. Find their locations at

manningham.vic.gov.au/recycling-stations

Sculptural artwork at Boulevard Hill

A new public artwork by Natasha Johns-Messenger will soon be finished at Boulevard Hill in Ruffey Lake Park, Doncaster.

As part of the Ruffey Lake Park Landscape Masterplan, artists were invited to propose concepts that responded to and reflected the environmental character of Manningham.

Titled 'EclipseViewCircle, 2023', the work will comprise of two polished stainless-steel forms: a circular structure and an ellipse that frames Ruffey Lake.

Of the artwork, Johns-Messenger said, "Framing Ruffey Lake Park panorama and the changing views, the sculpture encourages contemplation of its surroundings, the intertwining forms designed for both close and distant perspective appreciation."

The artwork is expected to be completed in early 2024.

manningham.vic.gov.au/ruffey-lake-public-art

How are we tracking?

We're passionate about supporting our community to enjoy our local environment and live happy, healthy lives.

Our 2022/23 Annual Report is now available and helps inform our community and stakeholders about our activities, performance and future direction.

manningham.vic.gov.au/annual-report



**Doreen Stoves AM PSM JP
Volunteer of the Year
Frank Johnston**

Frank has been volunteering for Manningham organisations for over 30 years.

He has dedicated himself to those groups including, Manningham Uniting Church, LinC Manningham Inc., MannaCare nursing home, Outback Links, Blaze Aid and planting trees for the Tree Project.



**Sports Volunteers of the Year
Caroline Clarkson**

Caroline has devoted her energy to the Committee of Doncaster Dolphins Masters Swimming Club in various roles such as, club Registrar, Recorder, Secretary and President.



**Community Achievement
Award
LinC Manningham Inc.**

LinC Manningham Inc. is a community organisation of volunteers from various Christian churches within Manningham.

It provides house cleaning and social support to new migrants and women affected by domestic violence, as well as home cooked meals, decluttering homes, gardening and more.

Prepare your home and family for summer

As the weather heats up, it's time to make sure you and your family are prepared in case of an emergency.

TIPS FOR COPING WITH HEAT

- drink plenty of water, even if you don't feel thirsty (if your doctor normally limits your fluids, check how much to drink during hot weather)
- keep yourself cool by using wet towels, putting your feet in cool water and taking cool (not cold) showers
- spend as much time as possible in cool or airconditioned buildings (shopping centres, libraries, cinemas or community centres)
- block out the sun by closing curtains and blinds
- open the windows when there is a cool breeze
- stay out of the sun during the hottest part of the day
- cancel or postpone outings, if you absolutely must go out, stay in the shade and take water with you
- wear a hat and light-coloured, loose-fitting clothing made from natural fibres like cotton and linen
- eat smaller meals more often and cold meals (e.g. salads)
- make sure food that needs refrigeration is properly stored
- avoid heavy activities like sport and gardening
- watch or listen to news reports to find out more information during extreme heat.

health.vic.gov.au/environmental-health/extreme-heat-community-resources

MAKE SURE YOU UNDERSTAND THE FIRE DANGER RATINGS

There is a national Fire Danger Rating System, with four levels of fire danger:

1. **Moderate - plan and prepare**
2. **High - be ready to act**
3. **Extreme - take action now to protect your life and property**
4. **Catastrophic - for your survival, leave bushfire risk areas**

Fire Danger Ratings will be issued on days when there is a fire risk. If the Fire Danger Rating is Extreme or above, or if it is a day of Total Fire Ban, it is not safe to be at a park or reserve.

Be prepared during the summer months and check the Fire Danger Rating each day. Some reserves may be closed, so plan accordingly.

cfa.vic.gov.au/home/local-information

PREPARE YOUR EMERGENCY PLAN

Is your emergency plan written down, shared and practised with your family, neighbours and pets? To ensure you're prepared:

- have a written copy of your plan quickly accessible in your home and a backup copy on your mobile or smart device
- develop your plan with everyone in your household and include your neighbours
- regularly review and practise your plan with your family and neighbours
- have a back-up plan in case circumstances change.

cfa.vic.gov.au/about/plan-and-prepare

HAVE A BACKUP PLAN

Fires are unpredictable and it's important to remember that home emergency plans can fail. Having a backup plan that identifies your shelter or last resort options may save your life if you are caught in a fire.

cfa.vic.gov.au/plan-prepare/back-up-plans

CONNECT WITH YOUR NEIGHBOURS

Discuss your emergency plans with your neighbours and talk about how you can support each other. Identify and connect with neighbours who may need help planning for an emergency and ask how you may be able to assist. Neighbourhood Watch is a wonderful local organisation with advice on how to connect with your neighbours.

nhw.com.au/manningham

PREPARE YOUR PROPERTY

You can reduce the risk bushfires pose to your home and family by removing overgrown vegetation from your property. The Manningham Planning Scheme includes controls about removal of vegetation, particularly native vegetation, and we can help you navigate them.

Find out if you need approval to remove vegetation:

☎ 9840 9333

manningham.vic.gov.au/trees

FIRE HAZARD INSPECTION PROGRAM

Every year as our fire season approaches, we inspect properties within areas of bushfire risk. In partnership with Country Fire Authority and Fire Rescue Victoria, we want to be proactive and engage with you to create a safer and more resilient community.

Over 5,500 properties in Manningham fall within the Bushfire Management Overlay (BMO). If this is you, you will have received a letter on how to prepare for the 2023-24 Fire Danger period, including:

- tips for preparing your property to reduce bushfire and grassfire risk
- where you can dispose of green waste

- an explanation of what a Fire Prevention Notice is and possible costs associated with the infringement.

manningham.vic.gov.au/fire-hazard-inspection-program

NEIGHBOURHOOD SAFER PLACES

A Neighbourhood Safer Place (also known as a Bushfire Place of Last Resort or NSP-BPLR) is a place of last resort when all other bushfire plans have failed.

Neighbourhood Safer Places **are not:**

- ✗ an alternative to planning to leave early or to stay and defend your property - they are a place of last resort if all other fire plans have failed
- ✗ to be confused with Community Fire Refuges, Relief Centres, Recovery Centres or Assembly Areas, each of which have a different and specific purpose
- ✗ an appropriate destination when leaving the area early
- ✗ a place of shelter from other types of emergencies (e.g. to escape rising floodwaters or severe weather events).

Manningham's three NSPs are all outdoor and are located at:

- **Park Orchards: Dorney Pavilion Verandah 24-52 Knees Road**
- **Wonga Park: Dudley Reserve, Dudley Road**
- **Warrandyte: Skate Park and Basketball Courts Taroona Avenue**

A NEW MUNICIPAL FIRE MANAGEMENT PLAN

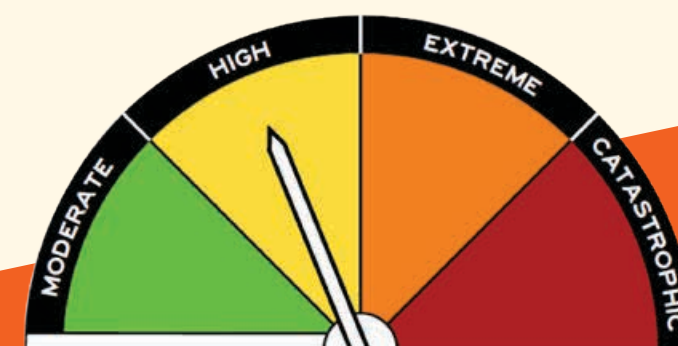
Our new Municipal Fire Management Plan contains arrangements about preparedness for and mitigation of fire risks. We work with our emergency service partners and the community to ensure Manningham is prepared and resilient to the risk associated with fire.

manningham.vic.gov.au/emergency

For more information on or any of the above:

☎ 9840 9333

manningham.vic.gov.au/emergency



Water for our wildlife

Just like us, our local birds, insects and wildlife need extra water in hot and dry weather. To help our native animals, consider leaving water out in your garden.

The best containers to use are shallow bowls or plastic pot plant bases. Place a rock in the middle of larger bowls (emerging from the water), to allow birds to perch while drinking.

Find a spot that isn't too exposed, offers some shade and is well above ground level, away from pets.

In bushland areas, place another bowl at ground level for ground dwelling animals such as echidnas and blue-tongue lizards.

When watering in hot weather, spraying water into the foliage provides moisture for the birds and also helps attract insects for them to eat.

If you are trying to attract small birds to your garden, planting native shrubs is the best option. It's best not to put any food out for wild birds or animals as they all have special diets. Feeding them bread or other food can be harmful.

Keeping our pets safe from snakes

Do you know which vets stock antivenom for the snakes in your area?

Not all vets stock antivenom to treat snake bites. Knowing where the nearest vet to you is will save precious time if your cat or dog is bitten by a venomous snake.

Australia has some of the world's deadliest snake species and it's not only people they can pose a threat to. As the weather warms up, our native snakes are more active in reserves and on private properties. One of the most serious emergencies cat and dog owners face is our pets being bitten by a venomous snake.

If you suspect your pet might have been bitten by a snake, act quickly and seek medical advice from a vet to give them the best chance of survival.

Supporting our community interests around the North East Link Program

With the North East Link Program (NELP) underway, we're continuing to represent community interests and advocate for Manningham.

We recognise the project will have a significant impact on our community, both positive and adverse. We're working to ensure that any adverse impacts are mitigated, as far as practicable, and are strongly advocating for an overall community benefit.

To date, we've undertaken significant strategic work and advocacy, including contributing to the:

- North East Link Environment Effects Statement (EES)
- Judicial Review
- Urban Design Landscape Plan (UDLP) for the Central (Tunnels) Package
- UDLP for the Eastern Freeway Upgrades

We've also reviewed more than 160 design reports and approved more than 400 Traffic Management Plans for construction work. Our Parks team has undertaken a comprehensive tree planting program to offset future impacts to vegetation.

In recent months, we've heard from community members regarding their concerns about the impacts of NELP construction. This includes, but is not limited to, issues of noise, dust, vibrations and road disruptions.

We'll continue to raise concerns on behalf of our community and work with NELP to enhance communication with the locally affected community.

We'll keep working diligently alongside the NELP team and State Government on all aspects of the project as construction progresses.

Councillor Deirdre Diamante, has met with local MPs and written to the Minister for Transport Infrastructure, on behalf of the Council and community. Cr Diamante highlighted growing concerns from the Manningham community as NELP construction continues to increase.

Keep an eye out for more updates in *Manningham Matters*.

📍 manningham.vic.gov.au/nel

For NELP and construction information and updates, call 1800 105 105 or visit

📍 bigbuild.vic.gov.au/projects/north-east-link-program

ADVOCATING FOR OUR COMMUNITY

We've achieved many positive outcomes and delivery of community facilities, as a result of ongoing advocacy and contribution to the planning of the project. These include:

- a redevelopment and masterplan for Bulleen Park (AFL / cricket)
- new soccer facilities (three pitches and pavilion) at Templestowe Road, Bulleen
- a new pedestrian/cycling bridge at Banksia Park (Bulleen) across the Yarra River
- a new Bulleen Park & Ride facility to support the Doncaster Busway
- protection of the 300+ year old River Red Gum tree in Bulleen
- negotiating to plan for surplus land at the former Bulleen Industrial Precinct to support a future employment precinct at this location
- a commitment to undertake a business case to duplicate Templestowe Road and include walking and cycling facilities.

IN BRIEF

GET YOUR FREE RAPID ANTIGEN TESTS (RAT)

Free RATs are still available and can be collected from the Manningham Civic Centre and libraries. If you have symptoms, please do not collect RATs from us until you are well. If you are unwell or can't get to a location, someone else can collect free tests for you.

To find your closest location, visit

📍 manningham.vic.gov.au/rat-program

OVER 45 YEARS OLD AND EXPERIENCING KNEE PAIN?

A new study by La Trobe University Sport and Exercise Medicine Research Centre will evaluate the effects of two different nutrition programs to reduce knee pain, improve quality of life.

Participation is free and participants will receive a free dietitian consultation, a free DEXA scan and free blood testing.

If you are interested or would like more information:

📞 Lynette Law 0481 439 563

✉️ feast@latrobe.edu.au

Ethics approval HEC22044



COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM 2024

Are you a not-for-profit group or organisation with a great new project idea for our community? You could be eligible for a community grant!

Applications open February 2024. For more information on how to apply, visit

📍 manningham.vic.gov.au/community-grant-program



Si Canta Per Vivere, Si Vive Per Cantare - We Sing to Live, We Live to Sing

The halls of the Veneto Club in Bulleen reverberate with song as the 28 members of the Veneto Club Choir get warmed up on Thursday evenings.

Ranging in age from their thirties to 90-years-old (with an average age of 80), the male choir has been coming together to sing in both Italian and English for more than five years.

As the oldest member, Tarcisio Meneghetti says the choir keeps him young. "I enjoy getting out of the house and singing with the choir. I enjoy the friendship and being with men I've known for years. Although I'm 90 years old, singing in the choir makes me feel young."

Members of the choir are mainly of Italian background and have loved singing since childhood and love to perform with gusto and vitality. However, there's much more than a love of performance shared.

Together, the choir has performed at Manningham Carols by Candlelight, Queen Victoria Night Market, Preston Market Italian Day, Melbourne Italian Festival, Mirboo North Italian Festa, the Wonthaggi Polenta Festival, as well as regular performances at the Veneto Club and aged care facilities locally.

Pasquale Marinelli says the choir has given him many new friends and acquaintances.

"They would have escaped me if I would have stayed at home. Managing and singing in the choir gives me a lot of satisfaction. I'm constantly singing our songs - in the garden, in front of my computer, when I'm preparing dinner - no, I don't sing in the shower! This singing just lightens my day and keeps me from thinking about our daily little (and at times big) problems mainly related to our declining health."

Recent addition, Joe Peruzzi, joined with his father Giuseppe. He was looking for an activity the two could do together.

Joy says "Participating in the choir gives me the opportunity to engage with so many people in this varied and welcoming group. The joy and enthusiasm for the songs really lifts me up, and it is a unique and inspiring experience that we're able to share."

Learn more about upcoming performances or joining the choir:

📞 Pasquale Marinelli on 0410 565 208



Calendar of EVENTS

Saturday 25 November to Sunday 10 December 16 Days of Activism

This international campaign supports the prevention and elimination of gender-based family violence.

For 16 days, communities around the world come together to join the call to put an end to family violence.

Family violence can impact people from all walks of life and comes in many forms.

Did you know an estimated one in four Australian women have experienced intimate partner violence since the age of 15?*

If you are in immediate danger, call 000 for Police and Ambulance help.

If you or someone you know are experiencing family violence, please call 1800RESPECT or visit respectvictoria.vic.gov.au

Find a range of wellbeing and support services available in Manningham

manningham.vic.gov.au/find-support

*Australian Government, Department of Social Support. (plan4womenssafety.dss.gov.au/resources/useful-statistics)

Tuesdays during school terms, 10.00am

Heide Art Babies (up to 12 months old)

Connect in creativity with your baby, as well as other new parents and grandparents. Join Art Therapist Tanis Douglas for a gentle session of exploration and learning.

Let your baby join in sensory play on the rug as we gather for meaningful story time, puppets and songs.

📍 Heide Museum of Modern Art
7 Templestowe Road, Bulleen

💰 Included with museum admission

📍 heide.com.au/events/art-babies

Fridays during school terms, 10.00am

Heide Gallery Kids (2 to 5 years old)

Engage in creative exploration for pre-school aged children, as well as their parents and grandparents.

Join Art Therapist Tanis Douglas for playful activities and mindful awareness. Sessions focus on the important role art plays in child development and wellbeing.

Listen to a shared story and song time with themes tied to Heide's history and exhibitions.

📍 Heide Museum of Modern Art
7 Templestowe Road, Bulleen

💰 Included with museum admission

📍 heide.com.au/events/gallery-kids



LEFT: Bring your littles ones along to Heide to join in the fun.

ABOVE: Challenge yourself to read 10 books this summer.

Friday 1 December to Wednesday 31 January The Big Summer Read

Rev up your reading over the summer holidays by joining The Big Summer Read. Sign up for an online account and start logging your books from 1 December. If you log 10 books or more by 31 January, you'll go in the draw to win some great prizes, including vouchers from Timezone, Smiggle and Readings Books.

📍 Libraries across Manningham

💰 Free

📍 Register online at wml.vic.gov.au/Big-Summer-Read

Friday 1 December 3.30pm to 5.00pm

The Big Summer Read Launch (4 to 12 years old)

Sign up for the Big Summer Read, enjoy our free activities and celebrate summer. There will be heaps of brand new library books to borrow from our New Books tables, special book-mark craft activities, and more.

📍 Doncaster Library, MC Square
687 Doncaster Road, Doncaster

📍 Bulleen Library, Bulleen Plaza
Manningham Road, Bulleen

📍 The Pines Library, corner Reynolds and Blackburn roads
Doncaster East

💰 Free

📍 wml.vic.gov.au/Big-Summer-Read



LEFT: Spend a weekend exploring our local markets.

ABOVE: Take a social stroll with the Carers Walking Group

RIGHT: Pack a picnic and come along to the Warrandyte Community Carols.



ARTS & CULTURE



COMMUNITY



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Saturday 2 and Saturday 16 December, 8.00am to 1.00pm Warrandyte Riverside Market

With over 70 stallholders, discover handmade wares and produce, enjoy local buskers and have a family day out in beautiful surrounds.

📍 Stiggants Reserve, Yarra Street

💰 Free

📍 warrandyteriversidemarket.com.au

Sunday 3 December 8.00am to 1.00pm

Tunstall Square Market

With up to 100 stalls selling an eclectic mix of items from plants to clothing and crafts.

📍 Tunstall Square Shopping Centre, corner Doncaster and Tunstall roads, Doncaster East

💰 Free

📍 warrandytedonvalerotary.org.au/Tunstall

Sunday 3 December 6.30pm to 8.30pm

Lions Club Park Orchards Community Carols

Bring your picnic rug for a night of entertainment for the whole family. A sausage sizzle, drinks and glowsticks will be available to purchase.

📍 Domeney Reserve, Park Orchards

💰 Free

📍 lionsparkorchards.org

Wednesday 6 December 1.30pm to 3.00pm

Carers Walking Group - Neighbourhood Carers Club

Join this free, monthly walking group and enjoy good company, gentle exercise, and green space exposure in a 30-minute walk.

Stay after to share an afternoon tea and a chat at Pines Learning. Guest speaker will be invited to some sessions.

📍 Pines Learning, 1/520 Blackburn Road, Doncaster East

💰 Free, bookings essential

📞 9842 6726

📍 pineslearning.com.au

Wednesday 6 December 6.30pm (Food swap 6.15pm to 6.30pm)

Preparing for the Summer Harvest

Teresa Day from Sustainable Gardening Australia will share all you need to know to grow fresh produce at home in summer.

📍 Manningham Function Centre, 699 Doncaster Road, Doncaster

💰 Free

📍 manningham.vic.gov.au/home-harvest

Saturday 9 December 10.00am to 2.00pm

Park Orchards Market

Find fresh produce direct from the Yarra Valley, exquisite crafts and quality urban wares.

📍 Park Orchards Primary School, corner Bowmore Avenue and Park Road, Park Orchards

💰 Gold coin at entry

📍 parkorchardsmarket.com

Tuesday 12 December 7.15am to 8.45am

MBN Business Breakfast

Come along and join Manningham Business Network's Expo for a productive and fun way to widen your business connections.

📍 Manningham Function Centre
699 Doncaster Road, Doncaster

💰 Free, bookings essential

📍 mbn.asn.au

Saturday 16 December 7.00pm

Warrandyte Community Carols

Bring a picnic and relax with family and friends. Food and drinks can be purchased onsite. Donations will also be accepted during the performance for the annual Christmas Bowl Appeal.

📍 Stiggants Reserve, Yarra Street
Warrandyte

💰 Free

📍 facebook.com/WarrandyteCommunityCarols

Simplified Chinese/简体中文

烛光颂歌(Carols by Candlelight)回归

12月8日星期五, 烛光颂歌 (Carols by Candlelight) 将在Ruffey Lake Park举行。

音乐会前的舞台娱乐活动将于晚上6:00开始, 正式音乐会将于晚上7:30开始。音乐会的最后将会有圣诞老人特别登场以及壮观的烟花表演。

manningham.vic.gov.au/carols-candlelight

这个夏天, 为紧急情况做好准备

请确保您和您的家人为紧急情况做好准备。

制定应急方案, 并与您的家人和邻居进行演习。在家中显眼处保存一份书面应急方案, 并在手机或电脑里额外保存一份该方案。确保您为您的宠物也制定了应急方案。

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Manningham选出新市长

近期, 年度市议会会议选出了新市长和副市长。市议员Carli Lange被选举为市长, 市议员Laura Mayne被选举为副市长。

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Traditional Chinese/繁體中文

燭光頌歌 (Carols by Candlelight) 回歸

12月8日星期五, 燭光頌歌 (Carols by Candlelight) 即將在Ruffey Lake Park舉行。

開場表演於晚上6:00開始, 正式音樂會於晚上7:30開始。音樂會的最後將會有聖誕老人特別登場以及壯觀的煙花。

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這個夏天, 為緊急情況做好準備

請確保您和您的家人為緊急情況做好準備。

制定緊急情況方案, 並與您的家人和鄰居進行演習。在家中顯眼處保存一份書面緊急情況方案, 並在您的手機或電腦裡額外保存一份該方案。確保您為您的寵物也制定了緊急情況方案。

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Manningham選出新市長

近期, 年度市議會會議選出了新市長和副市长。市議員Carli Lange被選舉為市長, 市議員Laura Mayne被選舉為副市长。

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Italian/Italiano

Ritorna Carols by Candlelight

Carols by Candlelight si terrà a Ruffey Lake Park venerdì 8 dicembre.

L'intrattenimento che precede lo spettacolo inizierà alle 18:00, mentre il concerto principale avrà inizio alle 19:30. Avremo la partecipazione straordinaria di Babbo Natale e uno spettacolo di fuochi d'artificio a fine serata.

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Quest'estate siate preparati in caso di emergenza

Assicuratevi che voi e la vostra famiglia siate preparati in caso di emergenza.

Mettete per iscritto un piano di emergenza ed esercitatevi con familiari e vicini di casa. Conservate una copia cartacea del vostro piano in casa, in modo che sia facile da trovare, e un'altra copia sul vostro telefono o computer. Assicuratevi di avere un piano anche per i vostri animali da compagnia.

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Manningham elegge un nuovo sindaco

Di recente, all'assemblea annuale del consiglio, sono stati eletti un nuovo sindaco e un vicesindaco. Il consigliere Carli Lange è stato eletto sindaco e il consigliere Laura Mayne è stato eletto vicesindaco.

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Greek/Ελληνικά

Η βραδιά με τα Χριστουγεννιάτικα Κάλαντα [Carols by Candlelight] επιστρέφει

Η εκδήλωση με τα Χριστουγεννιάτικα Κάλαντα θα πραγματοποιηθεί την Παρασκευή 8 Δεκεμβρίου στο Ruffey Lake Park.

Πριν την εκδήλωση θα διασκεδάσουμε με πρόγραμμα επί σκηνής που θα ξεκινήσει στις 6.00 μ.μ., ενώ η Συναυλία ξεκινάει στις 7.30 μ.μ. Θα κάνει και ο Αη-Βασίλης ξεχωριστή εμφάνιση και η βραδιά θα κλείσει με φαντασμαγορικά πυροτεχνήματα.

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Να είστε προετοιμασμένοι για καταστάσεις έκτακτης ανάγκης αυτό το καλοκαίρι

Βεβαιωθείτε ότι εσείς και η οικογένειά σας είστε έτοιμοι για καταστάσεις έκτακτης ανάγκης.

Καταστρώστε ένα σχέδιο έκτακτης ανάγκης και κάνετε εξάσκηση πάνω σ' αυτό με την οικογένεια και τους γείτονές σας. Κρατήστε γραπτό αντίγραφο του σχεδίου στο σπίτι σας, σε μέρος όπου μπορείτε να το βρείτε εύκολα, κι ένα επιπλέον αντίγραφο στο κινητό σας ή στον υπολογιστή. Βεβαιωθείτε ότι έχετε κάποιο σχέδιο και για τα κατοικίδια σας.

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Εκλογή νέου Δημάρχου του Manningham

Στην πρόσφατη Ετήσια Συνεδρίαση του Δημοτικού Συμβουλίου εξελέγη νέος Δήμαρχος και Αντιδήμαρχος. Ο/η Δημοτικός Σύμβουλος Carli Lange εξελέγη Δήμαρχος και ο/η Δημοτικός Σύμβουλος Laura Mayne εξελέγη Αντιδήμαρχος.

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Persian (Farsi)/فارسی

Carols by Candlelight بلزمیگررد

Carols by Candlelight در روز جمعه 8 دسامبر, در Ruffey Lake Park برگزار میشود.

سرگرمی مرحله پیش از نمایش ساعت 6:00 بعدازظهر و کنسرت اصلی ساعت 7:30 بعدازظهر شروع خواهد شد. Santa حضور ویژه خواهد داشت و آخر شب آتشبازی تماشایی برگزار خواهد شد.

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این تابستان, آماده موارد اضطراری باشید

اطمینان حاصل کنید که شما و خانواده شما, آماده وضعیت اضطراری هستید.

یک برنامه اضطراری بنویسید و آن را با خانواده و همسایگان خود تمرین کنید. یک نسخه نوشتاری از برنامه خود را در خانه در محلی که یافتن آن آسان است, قرار دهید, یک نسخه دیگر را در تلفن یا کامپیوتر خود داشته باشید. اطمینان حاصل کنید که برای حیوانات خانگی خود نیز یک برنامه دارید.

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مانینگهام یک شهردار جدید انتخاب میکند

یک شهردار و معاون جدید اخیراً در جلسه سالیانه شورای ما انتخاب شدند عضو شورا Carli Lange به عنوان شهردار و عضو شورا Laura Mayne به عنوان معاون شهردار انتخاب شد.

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عربي/Arabic

عودة ترانيم الميلاد على ضوء الشموع

سَنَقَام ترانيم الميلاد على ضوء الشموع في حديقة بحيرة روفي (Ruffey Lake Park) يوم الجمعة 8 ديسمبر/كانون الأول.

تبدأ الفقرات الترفيهية قبل العرض في السادسة مساءً, وتبدأ الحفلة الرئيسية الساعة السابعة ونصف مساءً. سيكون هناك ظهور خاص لسانتا (بابا نويل) ولعاب نارية في نهاية الأمسية.

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استعدوا للطوارئ هذا الصيف

استعد أنت وأفراد عائلتك للطوارئ.

اكتب خطة طوارئ وتدرّب على تنفيذها مع أسرتك وجيرانك. احتفظ بنسخة مكتوبة من الخطة في مكان سهل الوصول إليه في المنزل, ونسخة إضافية على الهاتف أو جهاز الكمبيوتر. واحرص أيضاً على وضع خطة للحيوانات الأليفة.

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انتخاب رئيس جديد لمجلس بلدية مننغهام

تم مؤخراً انتخاب رئيس المجلس البلدي الجديد ونائبه في الاجتماع السنوي لمجلس البلدية. فقد تمّ انتخاب عضو المجلس Carli Lange رئيساً للمجلس البلدي, وعضو المجلس Laura Mayne نائباً له.

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要用您偏好的语言与人交谈, 请致电 9840 9355. 将有人为来电者和市政厅的对话直接进行翻译。

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Per parlare con qualcuno nella lingua che preferisci, chiama il 9840 9355. Il numero fornirà un servizio di traduzione diretto tra il chiamante e il Consiglio.

Για να μιλήσετε με κάποιον στη γλώσσα που προτιμάτε, παρακαλούμε καλέστε στο 9840 9355. Θα ενεργούν ως άμεσος μεταφραστής μεταξύ του καλούντος και του Συμβουλίου.

للتحدث مع شخص ما بلغتك المفضلة, يرجى الاتصال على 9355 9840. سيعملون كمترجم مباشر بين المتصل والمجلس.

برای صحبت با شخصی به زبان دلخواه خود, لطفاً با 9355 9840 تماس بگیرید. آنها به عنوان یک مترجم مستقیم بین تماس گیرنده و شورا عمل خواهند کرد.

Interpreter service 9840 9355

العربية فارسی Italiano Ελληνικά 廣東話 普通话

Celebrating service to local government

At the recent Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) Annual dinner, Councillor Stephen Mayne received an award to acknowledge his 10 years of outstanding service to Local Government.

Cr Mayne is a long-standing Manningham resident, first joining Council in 2008-2012. He served as Councillor at City of Melbourne between 2012-2016 and re-joined Manningham in 2020, as the Councillor for Ruffey Ward.

Passionate about politics, good governance and prioritising transparency in decision making, Cr Mayne is an advocate for reducing gambling harm and securing positive outcomes for the Capital Works Program and Council Budget.

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Christmas Waste Collection

Your weekly waste collection will continue without interruption over the upcoming Christmas and New Year period.

Your bins will be collected as usual according to your waste calendar.

We know that households often produce more waste during the festive season. Please remember that items must be placed inside your bins and that overflowing bins will not be collected.

If you need to dispose of excess garbage and recycling, be sure to check our website for our A-Z Waste and Recycling Guide and details for local tips and transfer stations.

Remember to use your FOGO bin during the holiday season

If you can eat it or it grew in the ground, it belongs in the FOGO bin.

Find what items go into which bin at

manningham.vic.gov.au/how-dispose-your-items



Contacting us this festive season

During the holiday period our customer service team will be available Monday to Friday from 8.00am to 5.00pm, excluding public holidays.

This means we will be closed:

- **Monday 25 December**
- **Tuesday 26 December**
- **Monday 1 January.**

All priority (essential) services will continue during this time to ensure the safety and cleanliness of our community is maintained.

For any urgent matters

[9840 9333](tel:98409333)

For full details of our opening hours and service availability this holiday season

manningham.vic.gov.au/contact-us

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Tuesday 12 December, 7.00pm

Council Chamber
Manningham Civic Centre

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MANNINGHAM MATTERS

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