

my Neighbourhood

October 2015



CARDIGAN VILLAGE

CARDIGAN VILLAGE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Phase 2 Redevelopment

The Cardigan Village Community Advisory Committee and the City of Ballarat have worked together to plan the \$200,000 redevelopment of the Cardigan Village Community Centre facility. The new project will extend the location, providing space for new community activities.

The Committee was very proactive in all planning and design stages, officially signing off on the plans in May 2015.

The Cardigan Village Community Centre redevelopment includes:

- New kitchen
- New internal toilet facilities
- Significant improvements to the main entrance

The Cardigan Village Community Centre Redevelopment is funded by the City of Ballarat Engaging Communities Program.



YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD LIBRARY

The City of Ballarat pop-up library service will visit the Cardigan Village Community Centre, starting Tuesday 13 October.

The pop-up library service will deliver a fresh collection of adult, young adult and junior fiction, as well as picture books, non-fiction, magazines and CDs, DVDs and talking books to the Cardigan Village neighbourhood.

The pop-up library will be held every second Tuesday from 10am to 12pm, with a family story time at 10:30am.

Want to know more?

Call the City of Ballarat Community Development team at 5338 6800 or chat with the staff at the pop-up library on Tuesdays.



Open Day: Thursday 29 October

Cardigan Village Kindergarten Open Day

10:30am to 12pm and 3:30 to 5:30pm
Cardigan Village Children's Centre

Come and check out the new kindergarten facility and participate in fun activities and story time.

Contact: Amandah at 5322 4992

Children's Week Kite Flying Fun

3:30 to 5:30pm | Cardigan Village Community Centre

Celebrate Children's Week in Cardigan Village. Learn how to make a kite and fly it. Fun for the whole family!

Community Consultation

3:30 to 6:00pm | Cardigan Village Community Centre

Come along for a free BBQ, view the plans for the facility upgrade and have your say about other minor upgrade works.

Contact: City of Ballarat Community Development Team at 5320 5746

There are many more fun, family events happening in the City of Ballarat in Children's Week (24 October to 1 November).

For a full calendar of events, visit www.ballarat.vic.gov.au, and to stay up-to-date with Children's Week, like the City of Ballarat on Facebook.



COMPLETED: CHILDREN'S CENTRE UPGRADE

The upgrade of the Cardigan Village Children's Centre building was completed in February 2015.

The \$200,000 upgrade was funded by \$150,000 from the State Government Department of Education and Training and the \$50,000 from the City of Ballarat. Funding has also been committed to develop an outdoor playspace for the Children's Centre.

UnitingCare Ballarat has been appointed the lead agency to manage this facility. UnitingCare Ballarat is working in conjunction with the Cardigan Village Community Advisory Committee, City of Ballarat and other stakeholders to activate the Centre.



Kindergarten Open in Cardigan Village

We've excited to announce a three-year-old kindergarten program will run at the Cardigan Village Children's Centre in 2016. This will provide a local service for Cardigan Village children as well as families in neighbouring areas. The Centre has been integrated with Alfredton Preschool and will be operated by UnitingCare Ballarat.

If there is sufficient interest, a four-year-old kindergarten program may also operate at the Centre.

To find out more about the Cardigan Village Kindergarten, call Amandah at 5322 4992.

Want to know more or enrol in kindergarten?
Call the City of Ballarat Family and Children's Services team at 5320 5720.



Join The Playgroup

If you would like to meet other people with young children then why not join the Cardigan Village Community Centre Playgroup? A warm welcome is extended to families from Cardigan Village and the wider community.

When: 10 to 11.30am, every Thursday morning during school term

Who: Children aged 0 to 4 years and their caregivers

Cost: \$2 per child (infants 0 to 6 years: no charge)

What to Bring:

Hat, water and a piece of fruit to share

Contact: Liz at 0427 115 082

MAKING CARDIGAN VILLAGE

When it comes to prioritising projects, no one knows better what is needed at the local level than the locals.

That's the philosophy behind the City of Ballarat's Engaging Communities Program.

In the past two years, Ballarat Council has invested significantly in community-led projects in Miners Rest, Learmonth and Buninyong, designed to strengthen neighborhood links and build community confidence. Last year, the Engaging Communities Program was expanded to include Warrenheip, Lake Esmond and Cardigan Village, completing important projects in these neighbourhoods.

In 2015/2016, the City of Ballarat has extended the program to Sebastopol, Brown Hill and once again Cardigan Village, with \$300,000 allocated in the City Budget to initiatives in these communities.



CARDIGAN VILLAGE ENGAGEMENT

Engagement with the Cardigan Village community kicked off on 26 August 2014. Supported by the Cardigan Village Community Advisory Committee, approximately 60 local residents including several families, attended a drop-in session to view the proposed kindergarten facility plans and talk to City of Ballarat officers and Councillors about other local opportunities and priorities.

Key community feedback included:

- The installation of public toilets
- An expansion and improvement in the community hall space

The Engaging Communities Program in Cardigan Village is committed to delivering these local priorities and initiatives.

Want to keep up-to-date with local Cardigan Village projects?

Contact City of Ballarat's Community Development Team at 5320 5746 or email sandrakennedy@ballarat.vic.gov.au

COMING SOON TO CARDIGAN VILLAGE...

Ballarat's latest public toilet facility will be developed at Cardigan Village in 2015/16. The \$90,000 initiative is funded by the City of Ballarat through the Engaging Communities Program.

The unisex facility will be fully accessible and will include grab rails and a slip-resistant floor, as well as a touch-free tap and hand dryer. The materials used for the construction are vandal resistant and easy to clean and maintain.

The new Cardigan Village public toilets are the same design as the popular facility at Doug Dean Reserve in Delacombe (*pictured right*).



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