

Dear Sir/Madam,

The ongoing works at Batesford Reserve is associated with a \$6.4 million development of a Community Hub. This important project is a partnership between the Australian Government, the Victorian State Government, Monash City Council, Neighbourhood Renewal, Neighbourhood Houses and community groups and agencies.

In undertaking the construction of the project we have been mindful of the existing users of the reserve and the basketball stadium. We (the Council and the contractor) have worked with the management of the centre in order to deal with issues as they arise. These early matters included lighting and safety issues regarding access from the western car park.

In response to these matters additional lighting was installed, lights were fixed and improved access was provided.

It is Council's intent to minimise the disruption during construction.

The following will be undertaken during this week:

- Additional gravel will be placed on the path around the oval to enable improved access from the western car park to the stadium.
- Additional fencing will be placed around the site works adjacent to the oval and gravel footpath to better delineate the access path to the stadium from the western car park.
- The lighting will again be reviewed one night during the week to ascertain that it is appropriate.

Until these works are completed the current gravel pathway from the western car park will be closed.

We have also had discussions with the basketball association regarding the cleanliness of the courts.

In addition to the gravel footpath from the western car park, another option to gain access to the stadium is via the footpath along Batesford Road and Power Avenue.

Again I apologise for the inconvenience and thank you for your ongoing patience.

Regards

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