

THE VALLEY OF TOMORROW

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The Valley of Tomorrow Update

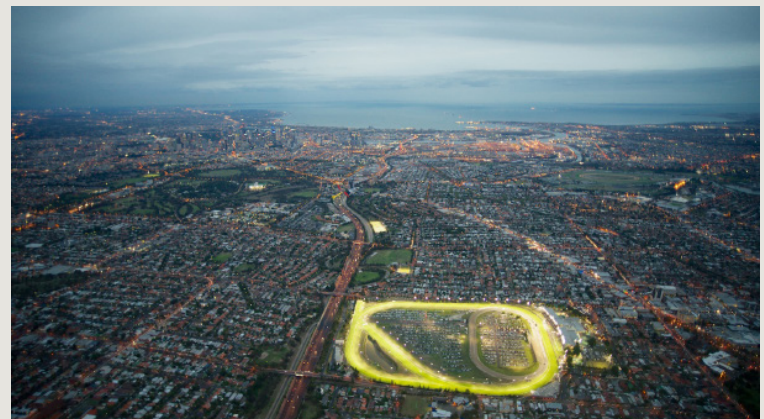
More than six months have passed since the appointment of the Hostplus-Hamton joint venture as the development partner of the Moonee Valley Racing Club (MVRC) to realise the MVRC's vision and create a world class residential, hospitality and sporting precinct.

As part of our commitment to an open and transparent relationship with the Moonee Ponds community, we are holding regular meetings with a wide cross-section of community representatives through our Community Reference Group. The first meeting was held in February and the group most recently met on May 23. All agendas and minutes from Community Reference Group meetings are posted on The Valley of Tomorrow website. We value these opportunities and view them as important forums to understand the aspirations and hear the ideas of the local community.

We continue to develop our masterplan for the entire precinct. Whilst this occurs, we are progressing early stages within the development and recently submitted our first planning permit application to Council for 67 townhouses along McPherson Street. Prior to this submission we met with interested neighbours who will live opposite these townhouses and discussed our plans, noting they are compliant with all planning scheme requirements. We look forward to sharing the plans with you also in the coming weeks via The Valley of Tomorrow website.

Stay Updated

Stay informed by visiting www.thevalleytomorrow.com.au or call Hamton on 03 9522 8444 if you'd prefer to speak to somebody directly. The website will be regularly updated with news, key milestones and Community Reference Group information. You can also sign up to an email list to receive direct communication from us.



The Valley of Tomorrow Survey

We are committed to taking the time to learn, listen and refine how we engage with the community and where possible, include ideas from the community in our development. As part of our engagement platform, we are pleased to announce the first annual Valley of Tomorrow Survey. The survey will be conducted by independent research company Brickfields Consulting.

The purpose of the survey is to provide the broader community with an annual opportunity to share their thoughts on the development, for consideration in our annual planning. We will also use the findings to ensure our engagement with the community is targeted and relevant. Results will be published in a future edition of this newsletter and presented at our Annual Community Update.

We are interested in your thoughts and ideas.

To complete the survey, please visit: www.thevalleytomorrow.com.au

Childcare Centre Update

Council recently issued a planning permit which will see the historic racing secretary's residence restored and repurposed as a childcare centre. Once complete, the centre will provide the community with 91 additional childcare places.

The design seeks to respect the heritage of the existing building with a contemporary addition, an approach supported by the Council's Heritage Advisor. The historic garden in the surrounds will also be maintained.

Council also determined that with the recent approval of the Integrated Transport Plan for the Moonee Valley Racecourse Precinct and the proposed revision of on-site parking, the proposal would pose no unreasonable impact on traffic or car parking.

As a thank you for completing the survey, you could win one of three \$100 Moonee Ponds community gift vouchers to support local traders.

Community Reference Group Meeting Highlights

The second Valley of Tomorrow Community Reference Group meeting was held on May 23 at the Moonee Valley Racing Club.

Key topics of conversation included a presentation and Q&A regarding Stage A & B of the Development as well as a discussion around community considerations regarding the grandstand. Also discussed was improving two-way communication with the community and parking during the construction phase.

Representing the community were a range of key Moonee Valley stakeholders including representatives of the Moonee Valley City Council, the office of Danny

Pearson MP, the Moonee Ponds Chamber of Commerce, the Moonee Ponds Primary School and Save Moonee Ponds.

Moonee Valley Racing Club CEO Michael Browell said the meeting was constructive and that the MVRC looked forward to working with the local community and its neighbours throughout the transformation of the site.

Meeting information, including participants, agendas and minutes are available on the community website.

Meet a MVRC staff member

Name: Marty Synan

Role: I am the Racecourse and Facilities Manager which oversees the preparation and maintenance of the track and grounds for race meetings and events.

My role is to also manage the upkeep and maintenance of the grandstands, Legends and The Junction Hotel. We have 21 full time staff in the Track Grounds and Facilities team plus we use up to 20 casuals on race days and a variety of contractors to maintain the venue throughout the year.

How long have you worked at the club? I have worked at the Club just under 35 years starting here in January 1984 as an apprentice gardener.

Favourite thing about Moonee Ponds? The thing I enjoy most about living in Moonee Ponds is the community. We have great schools and great sporting clubs which includes Football, Netball, Basketball, Tennis, Bowling Clubs and the Moonee Valley Racing Club where people can meet and enjoy each other's company. You walk up Puckle Street and always meet someone you know. It's a bit like living in a big country town but it's in the northwest of Melbourne.

