

Ryan's Reserve

FAQs for Swan Street Users Edition 1: August 2016

2016-17 STATE BUDGET ANNOUNCEMENT

The Victorian Government has committed a total of \$43 million to establish a new secondary school for Richmond. This will allow for the continued planning and delivery of a new co-educational secondary school that will be built to progressively cater for 650 students from term 1, 2018.

WHO IS BUILDING THE SCHOOL?

Richmond High School is being delivered by the Victorian School Building Authority (The Authority). The Authority is a new infrastructure body that will build on the existing infrastructure planning and delivery strengths of the Department of Education and Training (DET). The Authority has a dedicated focus on project planning, delivery and community engagement.

WHERE WILL THE SCHOOL BE BUILT?

The school will be built across two sites in Richmond. One site is located at 16 Gleadell Street and the other at 280 Highett Street, Richmond.

The Highett Street site will host the main administration building and classrooms and the Gleadell Street site will feature a distinct sporting precinct, including a competition grade indoor gymnasium and multi-purpose spaces.

Building the school across two sites will allow greater flexibility in the design of the school and increase outdoor and recreational space for students.

Located in the heart of Richmond, the school site has great transport links and is close to existing community infrastructure.

The Highett Street site is currently owned by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). DHHS has confirmed that DET can acquire the site to deliver this valuable school resource for the Richmond community.

WHY DOES THIS AFFECT 510 SWAN STREET?

Ryan's Reserve at 510 Swan Street is owned by DET and leased to the City of Yarra. This site is surplus to future educational needs but provides an excellent location for DHHS to develop affordable housing. By swapping the sites, DHHS will still be able to build new social housing and the Authority will be able to deliver high quality education and sporting facilities for students and the community in the heart of Richmond.

HOW WILL THIS AFFECT THE SPORTS CLUBS AT SWAN STREET?

The design of Richmond High School features an academic precinct on Highett Street and a sports precinct on Gleadell Street. The sports precinct will include one indoor and three outdoor courts. The Authority is working closely with Sport and Recreation Victoria (SRV) and Netball Victoria (NV) to design the new facilities to competition standard. It is intended that the new, high-quality facilities at Gleadell Street will provide a new home for the Swan Street Netballers.

WHAT SPORTS FACILITIES ARE PLANNED AT RICHMOND HIGH SCHOOL?

In addition to four new competition-standard netball courts including one indoor, users will have access to new facilities including showers and toilets, a canteen and administration area. All outdoor courts will be floodlit.

WHEN WILL NEW FACILITIES BE AVAILABLE?

The sports precinct will be complete in 2018. The Authority will keep users informed once timelines are finalised.

WILL THERE BE A GAP IN PROVISION OF NETBALL FACILITIES?

The Authority, DHHS and SRV are working together to ensure the continued availability of courts for sports use.

IS THERE PARKING AT THE NEW SITE?

There will not be on-site parking at Richmond High School; however some on-street parking is available. A traffic study for the precinct is being undertaken by the Authority to understand the impacts of the various precinct uses. The results of the study will be shared with the Yarra City Council.

HOW CAN I HAVE MY SAY ABOUT SWAN STREET?

The proposed changes for 510 Swan Street, Richmond are now open for public comment. All land owners, occupiers and other interested stakeholders are invited to make a written submission on the proposed changes to the planning provisions for the site. Written submissions are due by 23 September 2016.

Submissions must be made online at:

www.delwp.vic.gov.au/fast-track-government-land



NEXT STEPS

The Authority will work closely with SRV, NV and sports groups using Swan Street to progress the design and proposed arrangements for netballers at the new school venue.

We will provide updates through your club or association as the project progresses.

FURTHER INFORMATION

You can contact the Victorian School Building Authority via:

Email: vsba@edumail.vic.gov.au

Phone: 1800 896 950

Weekdays from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm.

You can also visit the webpage and join the project update email list at www.schoolbuildings.vic.gov.au