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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### Coombs Landscape and Path Improvements

#### What are the works and why are they being undertaken?

The Coombs Landscape and Path Improvements have been undertaken in three construction phases as follows:

- Holdens Creek Pond Pathworks and Landscaping (complete)
- North Coombs Pathworks and Landscaping (partially complete)
- Coombs Path Network Stages 1 and 2 (under construction)

The works are being undertaken to improve the recreation and footpath network surrounding Coombs and to improve connectivity into the natural surroundings of the Molonglo River Reserve.

#### What works are left to be completed?

As at December 2019, the following works are to be completed:

- Stage 1 of the Coombs Path Network – Pearlman Street, Coombs (under construction)
- Stage 2 of the Coombs Path Network – Harold White Avenue and Annabelle View, Coombs (in planning)
- North Coombs Pathworks and Landscaping - Cycling/ Pedestrian connection from Roy Corrigan Close to the John Gorton Drive Underpass (in planning)

#### What does the Coombs Path Network consist of?

The Coombs Path Network will improve the connectivity and recreational potential for pedestrians, cyclists and equestrian riders by providing better access along the eastern edge of Coombs and into the wider Molonglo Valley. The works are progressing along a 2.2km length adjacent to Annabelle View, Harold White Avenue, Pearlman Street and Noffs Crescent.

The works will incorporate the construction of a variety of new paths and improvements to existing paths which will enhance recreational opportunities in the area.

This includes:

- Construction of new concrete footpaths which will be sized between 1.5 and 2.5m wide,
- Construction of a new 3m wide shared path,
- Upgrades to the existing equestrian path; and
- Formalising the existing 3.5m wide sewer maintenance track which can also be used for recreational purposes.

The addition of a lookout, picnic tables, bench seats, a basketball hoop, rain gardens and improved landscaped areas will provide a new space to enjoy the natural landscape.

#### Will the area remain closed for the duration of the project?

Yes, the improvements will be completed within two staged construction sites. The Stage 1 construction site will be located adjacent to Pearlman Street and Noffs Crescent while Stage 2 will be adjacent to Annabelle View and Harold White Avenue, Coombs. For safety reasons, the construction sites will remain closed and completely inaccessible throughout the project duration.

Cyclists and pedestrians in the area can use the footpaths located within the suburb of Coombs to access the Molonglo River Reserve and wider Canberra cycle path network.

To guide visitors in the area, signage will also be positioned onto temporary fencing surrounding the construction site including a map with an access point to Molonglo River Reserve referenced. View the map here ([www.suburbanland.act.gov.au/molonglo/construction-updates](http://www.suburbanland.act.gov.au/molonglo/construction-updates)).



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### How can I keep myself informed about the latest project updates?

The local Coombs community will receive regular updates as the landscape and path improvements progress at Stage 2 Coombs. The latest project and construction updates can also be accessed in the following ways:

1. On the Suburban Land Agency's website ([www.suburbanland.act.gov.au/Molonglo/construction-updates](http://www.suburbanland.act.gov.au/Molonglo/construction-updates)).
2. By following the Molonglo Valley Mingle Facebook Page
3. By emailing [suburbanland@act.gov.au](mailto:suburbanland@act.gov.au)
4. By calling the Suburban Land Agency directly on 6205 0600

### How long will the project take to complete?

Stage 1 of the Coombs Path Works is expected to be complete and open to the public by the end of January 2020 while Stage 2 will be fenced from February 2020 through to September 2020. Throughout the project duration, the site will remain inaccessible to members of the public for safety reasons.

## More Information

Any questions related to this project can be directed to the Suburban Land Agency by emailing [suburbanland@act.gov.au](mailto:suburbanland@act.gov.au) or calling 6205 0600.

### During construction, will the Molonglo River Reserve be completely inaccessible from Coombs?

The network and landscaping upgrades will take place within a construction site which for safety reasons, will remain closed throughout the project duration. Pedestrians and cyclists can still connect into the natural setting of the Molonglo River Reserve at the southern end of the construction site. View the connection point on the map ([www.suburbanland.act.gov.au/Molonglo/construction-updates](http://www.suburbanland.act.gov.au/Molonglo/construction-updates)).

### Which organisations have been engaged to complete the Stage 2 Coombs upgrades?

Indesco and Ram Constructions have been engaged as the superintendent/principal contractor for the Coombs Path Network.