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HEALEYS LANE, MELBOURNE - Streetscape improvement works

The City of Melbourne is proposing works to improve the environment in Healeys Lane as part of the wider Connecting Laneways Project. We welcome your feedback on the enclosed concept plan.

The proposal

The Connecting Laneways project aims to strengthen the existing pedestrian link between Flagstaff Station and Bourke Street. The proposed changes in Healeys Lane would include:

- Traffic conditions: new signage designating Healeys Lane as a 'Shared Zone' where the speed of vehicles is limited to 10km/h and pedestrians have priority over vehicles. This is part of a wider program to improve Melbourne's walking network by enhancing pedestrian safety in well-used laneways while still retaining access for vehicles.
- Road works: making the road surface smoother by lifting the bluestone pitchers, cutting the top surface flat and re-laying them. This treatment aims to retain the heritage value of the lane whilst providing a more pedestrian friendly surface.
- Footpath works: upgrading the existing footpath on the south west side of the lane with new sawn bluestone paving and widening this section of footpath if further analysis of traffic movements shows it is possible to do so. Existing sawn bluestone at the southern end of the lane would be retained. There may also be an opportunity to extend the footpath in front of 560 Lonsdale Street as part of any future development of this site.
- **Kerbing:** new bluestone kerbing along the western side of the lane.
- **Greening:** two new deciduous trees at the southern end of the lane increasing our diverse urban forest and providing green amenity and summer shade to outdoor dining/pedestrian thoroughfare areas.
- Stormwater: harvesting water from the existing stormwater drain to irrigate the proposed street trees.

Closer to the construction works, our Waste Standards Team will also be working with businesses in and around the lane to rationalise the number of bins and address local waste issues.

The cost and timing

The \$400,000 works in Healeys Lane are planned to commence in March/April 2015 and will take approximately 12 weeks to complete. Closer to the start of construction, you will receive information confirming the start date and timing of the works.

Have your say

A **feedback form** is enclosed to help you to provide comments about the proposal or you can **email** your comments to streetscapes@melbourne.vic.gov.au.

To complete the **feedback form online** visit <u>participate.melbourne.vic.gov.au/streetscapes</u>. You can also view documentation such as plans, letters and construction timetables for this and other projects which may affect you. Check the 'Project updates' section for the latest news, including any changes to the timing of construction works.

All comments must be received no later than Friday 21 November 2014.

We look forward to your involvement and support in helping us enhance the pedestrian environment in Healeys Lane. For more information, please call the Engineering Services Branch on 9658 8711 or email streetscapes@melbourne.vic.gov.au

Yours sincerely

Michael Norton

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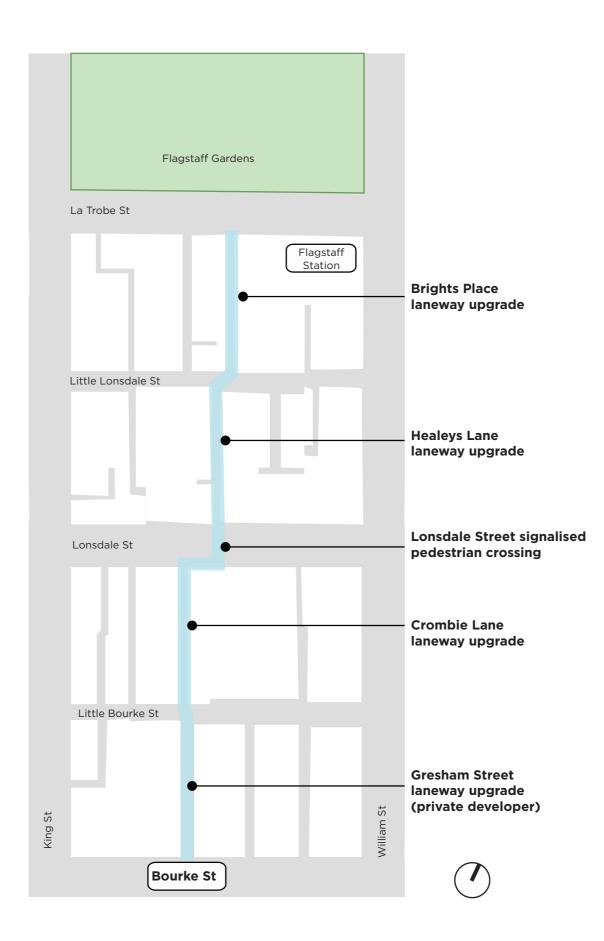
OVERALL SITE AND PROJECT BRIEF

The City of Melbourne has identified an opportunity to improve the laneways of Brights Place, Healeys Lane and Crombie Lane in Melbourne as part of the wider connecting laneways project.

The improvements will strengthen an existing link for pedestrians between Flagstaff Station and Bourke Street and also includes the Gresham Street upgrade (private developer funded) and the Lonsdale Street signalised pedestrian crossing project (funded from Council's 2013-14 capital works budget).

Through this project we will consider the following:

- Building and business requirements e.g. building access and future development plans for private land.
- Road safety objectives and actions to improve pedestrian access, create a natural link for pedestrians between Flagstaff Station and Bourke Street and encourage walking as a method of transport.
- Laneway type- e.g. thoroughfare or food destination.





Brights Place



Healeys Lane



Crombie Lane



Gresham Street.
Private developer funded, construction underway

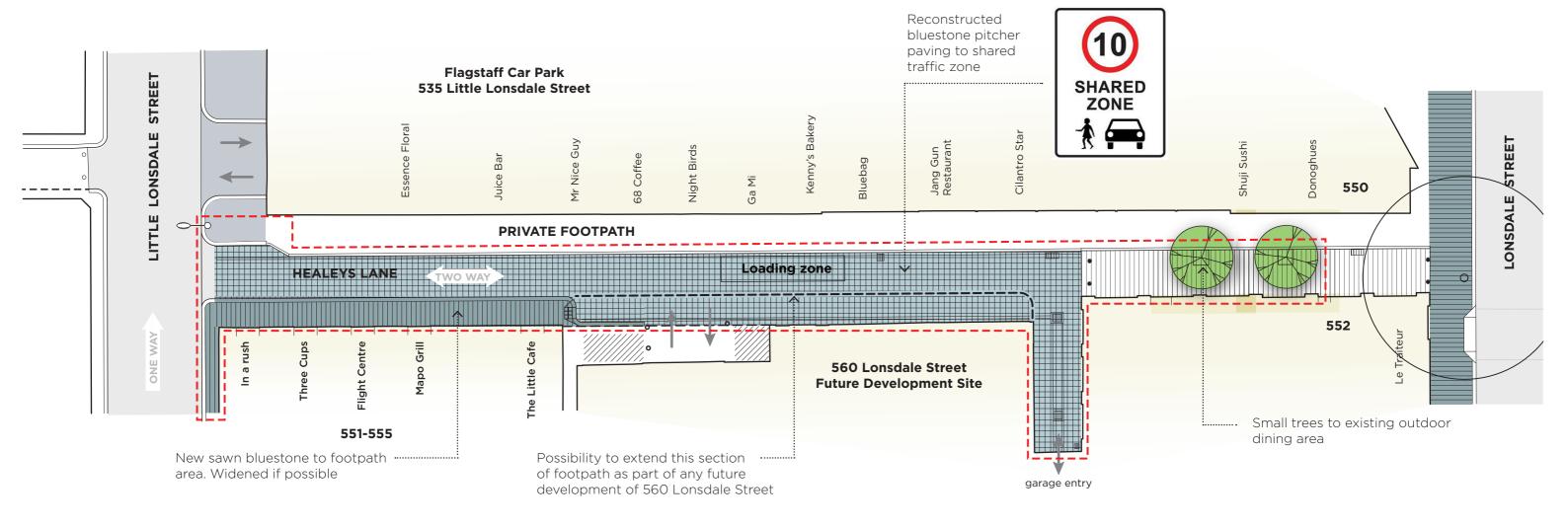


CONNECTING LANEWAYS

HEALEYS LANE / DRAFT DESIGN FOR CONSULTATION

Shared Zone

(Pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles share the carriageway)





Extent of proposed works

Existing heritage paving with revised surface finish

New sawn bluestone paving

New bluestone kerb

New tree with stormwater irrigation

Existing sawn bluestone paving to be retained

Existing asphalt paving

Private buildings

Existing streetscape tree

Existing Council street lightExisting Council bollard



Existing pitcher paving requiring upgrade



Proposed paving upgrade with smooth surface

The proposed surface finish to the heritage bluestone pitcher paving is achieved by lifting each pitcher, cutting flat the top surface and relaying it.

This treatment aims to retain the heritage value whilst providing a more pedestrian friendly surface.





CONNECTING LANEWAYS





HEALEYS LANE, MELBOURNE

Feedback form

Please return your comments no later than Friday 21 November 2014.								
Name (optional):								
How would you like to receive further information from the project team? Please tick (✓)								
		Mail	Address:					
		Email	Address:					
What is your interest in this project? Please tick (✓) all that apply								
		Resident				Business		
		Property owner Other:				Property occupier/tenant		
	If you are a property owner/occupier in or around Healeys Lane, please provide the							
	property address:							
Do you support the proposed streetscape design? Please tick (✓)								
		In general, I support the proposed streetscape design						
		In general, I do not support the proposed streetscape design						
What do you think are the best aspects of the streetscape design?								
Are there any changes you would like to make to the streetscape design?								

Please continue on the next page . . .

Any further comments								
If you need more space for your comments, please attach a separate sheet. Alternatively, you								

can email your comments to streetscapes@melbourne.vic.gov.au

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Thank you for taking the time to comment on the works proposed for Healeys Lane.

Please return your comments no later than Friday 21 November 2014.

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