

# Nepean By-election

Priority Infrastructure Projects



Mornington  
Peninsula Shire

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The Shire is ready to work with Nepean by-election candidates, to turn widely supported priority infrastructure projects into real outcomes for our community. This list, including a variety of projects totalling \$713 million, has been shaped by many conversations with our community, stakeholders and partners across government.

Mapped alongside the Shire's planning framework, our community vision, Council and Wellbeing Plans, Master Plans and annual budget priorities, this list presents a wide selection of ready-to-go election pledge opportunities that are capable of delivering real and long-lasting benefits, with broad community impact.

This document represents an important part of our 2026 Victorian election advocacy campaign and presents political candidates with the chance to support community-driven investment, that aligns with the Shire's long-term evidenced strategies and plans. Council has undertaken a level of planning or design for projects, many of which originate from Masterplans, have been developed in collaboration with the community or are high priority projects to deliver renewal or support growth.

# Transport Infrastructure Priority Projects

This list of strategic transport projects aims to improve the transport infrastructure offerings for active transport, public transport, motorists and freight movement across the Nepean Electorate. The accuracy of the below cost estimates varies, so please reach out and request more detailed information if you are considering making a funding commitment.

Project	Description	Funding Requested	Delivery Responsibility
<b>Mornington Peninsula Freeway Upgrade – Jetty Road to Boneo Road</b>	<p>This corridor is the key state arterial corridor feeding into the Southern Peninsula from greater Metropolitan Melbourne and the rest of the Mornington Peninsula.</p> <p>This project is for the construction of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A freeway overpass at Jetty Road</li> <li>• Upgraded intersection with Boneo Road</li> <li>• Add additional lanes between Jetty Road and Boneo Road</li> <li>• Mitigate noise between Rosebud &amp; Dromana</li> </ul> <p>Across the two intersections and stretch between, there have been 14 Serious Injuries and 43 Other Injuries across the last 10 years, this represents significant Road Trauma on a key arterial corridor.</p> <p>The Department of Transport and Planning have an existing business case for these proposed upgrades; this project is in DTPs pipeline of projects but not a current priority. Based on the trauma history along this corridor, traffic volumes that have exceeded the existing infrastructure, pressure on other roads due to infrastructure inadequacy and ongoing tourism growth on the Southern Peninsula this project should be a priority.</p>	\$150M*	State Government (Design & Construction)

\*Council estimate, subject to DTP confirmation

# Road and School Safety

Project	Description	Funding Requested	Delivery Responsibility
<b>Arthurs Seat Road &amp; White Hill Road Intersection</b>	Upgrade existing T-intersection with a roundabout. Funding to be used for design and construction.	\$10M*	State Government
<b>Eastbourne Road &amp; Elizabeth Avenue</b>	Upgrade existing cross intersections and busy arterial road length with intersection improvements, pedestrian crossing facilities and cycling improvements. Funding to be used for design and construction.	\$2M*	State Government
<b>Boneo Road (Mornington-Flinders Road to Mornington Peninsula Freeway)</b>	Upgrade existing cross intersections and road bends with speed mitigation, advanced warning improvements at the bends, investigations of cyclist safety, delineation improvements and select locations of road safety barriers and/or shoulder sealing.	\$1.5M*	State Government
<b>Boneo Road &amp; Eastbourne Road Intersection</b>	Upgrade existing roundabout with cyclist improvements, speed mitigation at the roundabout or roundabout metering signals and/or consider roundabout reconfiguration.	\$2M*	State Government
<b>Country Club Drive, Nepean Highway &amp; Ponderosa Place</b>	Upgrade existing cross intersection with traffic signals and/or pedestrian improvements. Funding to be used for design and construction.	\$20M*	State Government
<b>Waterfall Gully Shops Rosebud</b>	Parking improvements at Waterfall Gully shops in Rosebud.	\$650K	Council (Design & Construction)

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# Active Transport Infrastructure & Footpaths

Project	Description	Funding Requested	Delivery Responsibility
<b>Bike Lanes – Marine Parade</b>	<p>This project is for the provision of on road bike lanes from the Marthas Cove Underpass tunnel exit through to the Pedestrian Operated Signals near Victoria Street.</p> <p>This short but critical section represents a significant safety pinch point where cyclists are required to navigate constrained road space and complex traffic movements. Delivering a continuous cycling connection through this segment would remove a key barrier in the coastal route and improve safety outcomes for all users.</p>	\$800K*	State Government (Design & Construction)
<b>Nepean Highway, Dromana</b>	Construction of a footpath and appropriate crossings from Dromana Holiday Village through to Country Club Drive. (750m)	\$2.1M	Council (Design & Construction)
<b>Boundary Road, Dromana</b>	Construction of a footpath along Boundary Road from Collins Road to Protea Lane. (600m)	\$500K	Council (Design & Construction)
<b>Pickings Road, Safety Beach</b>	Construction of a footpath along Pickings Road from Dromana Parade to First Avenue. (1km)	\$750K	Council (Design & Construction)
<b>Capel Avenue, Capel Sound</b>	Construction of a footpath along Capel Avenue from Eastbourne Road to Calvary Capel Sand Aged Care. (250m)	\$240K	Council (Design & Construction)
<b>Balaka Street, Capel Sound</b>	Construction of a footpath along Balaka Street from Eastbourne Road to Brickendon Drive. (475m)	\$500K	Council (Design & Construction)

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Project	Description	Funding Requested	Delivery Responsibility
<b>Elizabeth Avenue, Capel Sound</b>	Construction of a footpath along Elizabeth Avenue from Broadway to Vern Wright Reserve. (450m)	\$475K	Council (Design & Construction)
<b>Dromana Parade, Safety Beach</b>	Construction of a footpath along Dromana Parade from Cassowary Place to Victoria Street. (2.3km)	\$1.5M	Council (Design & Construction)
<b>Country Club Drive, Safety Beach</b>	Construction of a footpath along Country Club Drive from Fairway drive to Sheepwash Creek. (500m)	\$450K	Council (Design & Construction)
<b>Peninsula Trail</b>	Cameron's Bight section - 200 metres connecting Blairgowrie and Sorrento	\$1M	Council (Design & Construction)

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# Coastal Management

The below projects represent ongoing investment needs to address coastal erosion, renewal and accessibility upgrades of coastal infrastructure, coastal enhancement and improved recreational boating access across the Nepean electorate.

Project	Description	Funding Requested	Delivery Responsibility
<b>Portsea Front Beach, Portsea</b>	Development of a long term solution to maintain public safety, reinstate beach amenity and accessibility (including beach nourishment, groynes, access upgrades).	\$10M	State Government
<b>Safety Beach coastal asset upgrades</b>	Upgrade coastal protective rock revetment to 2100 standard.	\$12M	Council
<b>Flinders Foreshore</b>	Deliver Flinders Foreshore Pedestrian Access and Safety project including pedestrian connection between the pier precinct and township.	\$2M	State Government and Council
<b>Sorrento Foreshore Masterplan Stage 1</b>	<p>The Sorrento Foreshore masterplan will create a new look and feel of both Websters Corner, Sullivan Bay and Western Sister areas along the cultural walk from the ferry terminal to the Sisters headlands near Blairgowrie.</p> <p>Stage 1 includes the area from the Sorrento Ferry Terminal to the Baths Restaurant.</p> <p>The project will deliver improved beach access and public amenity with 1x beach access point, 1x upgraded toilet facilities 1x pedestrian crossing, 2x upgrades to rotunda and cenotaph, 1x accessible parking spaces 3x picnic rest areas.</p>	\$2.6M	Council

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<b>WE Newton Reserve, Portsea</b>	Revitalize and enhance the Reserve which is a highly utilised space and central meeting place of Portsea.	\$1.5M	Council
<b>Rye Boat Ramp, Rye</b>	Upgrade recreational boating accessibility to Port Phillip Bay.	\$5M	State Government
<b>Ongoing investment and commitment from the State Government</b>	<p>Manage recreational boating dredging to ensure safe access for recreational boaters, OR</p> <p>State funded and delivered dredge program that ensures priority boat launching sites receive proportionate maintenance to support growing popularity. Commitment to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Planning scheme updates that incorporate contemporary scientific evidence and enable timely responses to immediate and long-term coastal hazards.</li> <li>- Funding and community awareness campaign to build coastal adaptation capability and improve public awareness.</li> <li>- Environmentally Friendly Moorings – to advocate for all block and chain moorings across the Peninsula to single point environmentally friendly mooring systems.</li> </ul>		<p>State Government</p> <p>State Government and Council</p> <p>State Government</p>

# Community Infrastructure

Project	Description	Funding requested
<b>Rosebud Hospital</b>	<p>Rosebud Hospital is critically underfunded and in poor condition, leaving it unable to meet the advancing healthcare needs of the Southern Peninsula community. Investment is needed to deliver expanded emergency care closer to home on the Southern Peninsula.</p> <p>Residents and visitors face significant risk due to the lack of adequate emergency care nearby. Patients requiring urgent treatment must travel to Frankston Hospital – an hour away, up to two hours in peak summer traffic, putting lives at risk every day.</p>	\$400M
<b>Crisis and Transitional Dwellings for women and children in Rosebud</b>	<p>Build 22 safe, crisis and transitional, dwellings for women and children in Rosebud.</p> <p>The Mornington Peninsula receives little funding for homelessness services, despite having the highest number of people sleeping rough in Victoria – greater even than Melbourne City Council.</p> <p>In January 2026, 138 people were sleeping rough in tents, cars and foreshore reserves, the highest number of all councils in the Functional Zero by Name List program. 62 per cent of rough sleepers are men, but more women, youth and people over 55, are among those sleeping rough locally.</p> <p>There is no dedicated crisis accommodation on the Peninsula. Inadequate public transport makes accessing crisis accommodation and services outside the Peninsula unrealistic.</p>	\$15M
<b>Flinders Park Public Amenity and Surrounds</b>	<p>Construct new public amenities including access pathways and carparks at Flinders Park.</p> <p>The public toilet block will include: one unisex accessible/ family change toilet, one, unisex ambulant toilet, rainwater tank &amp; storage room. In addition to this, in the nearby vicinity we will install a bike rack, drinking fountain, picnic table, bench, footpath, planting, two accessible car parking spaces will be formalised with proper line marking.</p>	\$800K

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Project	Description	Funding requested
<b>Southern Peninsula Indoor Community Sporting Hub</b>	<p>Upgrade and expand Southern Peninsula Basketball Association's existing facility at Dromana Secondary College.</p> <p>The project would provide an all-weather, safe and cohesive facility that encourages community participation and cater for a larger range of activities, including all abilities sports, netball, badminton, basketball, walking basketball table tennis and volleyball.</p> <p>The project is highlighted within the Shire's Sports Capacity Plan.</p>	\$21M
<b>Sorrento Public Amenity Renewal</b>	Upgrade of the public amenity on the Sorrento Foreshore near the Ferry Terminal including the additional of a changing place facility.	\$1.2M
<b>Truemans Rd Reserve Pavilion</b>	Demolition of existing end of life facility and development of a new sporting pavilion to support the various users of Truemans Recreation Reserve including Soccer, Athletics Cricket and Croquet. Includes oval redevelopment.	\$14M
<b>Dromana Recreational Reserve Oval Reconstruction</b>	Complete renewal of playing surface to compliant senior standards and associated infrastructure is required for the oval to be able to cope with current demand particularly over the winter months.	\$1.75M
<b>French St Reserve, Rye BMX Park</b>	The design and delivery of a new district Bike Park facility within French Street Reserve. Project to include: - Bitumen Pump Track - Dirt Jumps - Gravel Car Park - Amenities - Shelter - Seating	\$1.5M
<b>Rye Skate Park Stage 2</b>	Following a \$1M grant from State Government to upgrade the Rye Skate Park, Council are seeking funding for Stage 2 of the project, to provide improved safety and accessibility and will include lighting, seating, shelters, play space and accessible parking.	\$550K
<b>Fenton Hall</b>	Restoration and re-activation of Fenton Hall	\$1.5M
<b>Blairgowrie multi-purpose Courts</b>	<p>This project involves the reconstruction of the two courts at this site (1x tennis court and 1x multipurpose court) to club Compliant Standards and as per the outcomes of community consultation done for the Stringers Road Masterplan.</p> <p>The project is also to include oval rehabilitation and irrigation to ensure an attractive training ground for women's sport growth.</p>	\$1.25M

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<b>Cricket Net Renewal</b>	Provide updated, compliant and safe cricket net training facilities to allow local cricket clubs to retain and attract new members including women and girls. Priority nets include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flinders</li> <li>• Boneo</li> </ul>	\$1M
<b>Tennis Court Compliance</b>	Implement critical works to address non-compliant, unsafe and dilapidated tennis facilities across the Shire, as well as upgrading lighting and making booking easier. Priority tennis clubs are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Main Ridge</li> <li>• Somers</li> <li>• Shoreham</li> </ul>	\$2M
<b>Sports Field Lighting</b>	Design and renewal of lighting infrastructure at sports fields to increase participation and ensure the growth in community sport, and in particular female participation. Priority sites are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boneo Recreational Reserve cricket/ football Lights</li> <li>• Olympic Park Rosebud Baseball/Soccer Lights.</li> </ul>	\$1.5M
<b>Dromana Community Hub</b>	Establish a new fully integrated centralised multi-purpose Dromana Community Hub to house a range of community-based activities, sports and services	\$30M (estimated)

If you would like to understand more about any of these projects, please reach out to our Director of Assets and Infrastructure, and further detailed information can be provided.

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