

SCCSL Newsletter

Dear Residents,

As part of our commitment to maintaining a high standard of living within the community, we are pleased to share with you an update on the latest developments and projects across site.

As always, we ask that that all residents and visitors observe and comply with all signage in place and exercise caution when utilising areas where works are taking place as we undertake these projects.

Additionally, there may be temporary changes to traffic, storage of materials or access points. These measures are crucial for ensuring the safety of all residents and facilitating the efficient completion of the projects. We understand that these changes may cause inconvenience, and we appreciate your patience and cooperation during this period.

We will endeavour to provide regular updates to keep you informed about the progress or any adjustments to expected schedules.

Should you have any concerns or questions about any of the projects outlined in this newsletter, please do not hesitate to contact the Facilities Services Team via email at <u>facilities@scove.com.au.</u>

We hope everyone enjoys a safe and happy Easter!



THE ADDRESS GATES

We are pleased to provide you with a progress update on The Address Gates upgrade project as we are nearing its completion. The installation of the fence has been successfully completed, and the stone mason is in the final stages of the stone cladding.

Regrettably, due to current weather conditions, the installation of the gates has been delayed. We anticipate the entrance gate to be operational by the close of business today, with only the exit gate remaining for installation which is expected to be completed early next week. Plans have been coordinated with Security Services to ensure a staff presence in the area during all after-hours periods.

Landscape Works Commencement

Plants have been delivered and work has now commenced.

Upcoming Electrical Fit-Off of Lighting

The next phase of the project involves the installation of lighting fixtures to illuminate the entrance area.

We anticipate the completion of The Address Gates upgrade project by mid to the end of April. Please note that the timeline is subject to weather conditions and other external factors.

While we recognise that construction activities may cause temporary inconvenience, we firmly believe that the long-term benefits of this project will significantly outweigh any short-term disruptions.



LANDSCAPING REVIEW

We would like to take this opportunity to provide you with an important update regarding the recent site reviews conducted with the landscaping team. The objective of these reviews was to restore the Resort's landscaped areas and services to the high standards expected by the community.

Following the assessment, several areas were identified as needing immediate attention/improvement. The below outlines what the team will be focusing on while adhering to their regular maintenance schedule, with the aim to complete all of these tasks within the next 60 days.

Vertical Edging of Gardens and Turf

The team will promptly focus on vertical edging which involves defining the borders between the garden beds, turf, and pathways, enhancing the overall aesthetic appeal of these spaces.

Weed Control

A comprehensive weed control strategy has been implemented by the landscaping team to address the recent surge in weed growth across the site. This plan involves a dedicated individual responsible for overseeing weed control measures.

Turf Spraying

The landscaping team will continue with spraying selective herbicide to manage broadleaf weeds within the couch grass. This spraying will take place during the week following servicing, it's important to note that spraying cannot take place during rainy or windy conditions

As a result, residents may observe some "browning off" in certain areas. Please know that this is a normal occurrence and indicates the spraying is working to remove undesirable weeds.

Adjustment of Turf Heights in Accordance with Contract Specifications

During the upcoming services, the landscaping team will undertake the task of adjusting turf heights in accordance with the specifications outlined in the contract. Please note that while adjusting turf heights, some areas may temporarily appear unsightly.



Formal Hedging

After conducting a thorough review of the formal hedging across site, the landscaping team will implement measures to ensure greater consistency in hedge shapes and heights are achieved. This will involve either allowing them to grow to the desired height, width, or shape, or trimming them down, particularly in areas where a reduction in height is necessary for easier maintenance.

Defining Tree Pits

Throughout the regular services, the team will concentrate on defining all tree pits across site, striving to maintain uniformity in the shape and size.

Mulch Allocation

Landscape Solutions have generously offered to contribute an additional 20m3 of mulch, matching the 20m3 allocated within the PBC contract. This effectively doubles the total amount supplied and installed to 40m3, which will be utilised across the PBC area's site to ensure a substantial impact throughout the site.

Review of Contract Scope - (2024-2027)

As we prepare for the tender of this three-year maintenance contract, a comprehensive scope review is being conducted. This review is essential to guaranteeing the new contract adequately addresses the changing requirements and expectations of the community.

We assure you that the aforementioned actions are being executed with the highest priority. We anticipate residents will notice significant improvements in the coming weeks.

As always, we sincerely appreciate your cooperation and patience during this process and would like to remind everyone that any form of abuse towards staff or contractors will not be tolerated.



SCHOTIA PARK SOUTH – GARDEN UPGRADE

Please be advised, following the completion of the landscaping works at The Address Gates, the team will begin the next phase of upgrades within Schotia Park, starting with P56 - Schotia Park South.



Furthermore, we are currently in the process of obtaining approval for the enhancement of P53 - Paul Toose Park, while simultaneously undergoing the quoting phase for the scope of work at P55 - Schotia North Park. Our objective is to ensure a seamless progression, completing one area after the other.

We will continue to keep residents updated on the progress of these projects or any significant development as they arise.



MARINE DRIVE NORTH BUFFER - GARDEN UPGRADE

We are pleased to announce the successful completion of the Marine Drive North Buffer garden upgrade works, representing a significant milestone in our ongoing efforts to enhance the aesthetic appeal and functionality of the resort's landscaped areas.

The upgrade involved extensive pruning and the addition of over 400 new plants and trees, and newly laid pathways, complemented by stone edging to ensure safe and inviting walking areas for residents and visitors.

In addition to the extensive landscaping works, members of the Facilities Services team also undertook upgrades in the area, including the pressure washing of all hidden rock retaining walls and installing a new irrigation sprinkler system throughout the garden.

Additionally, discussions have taken place with the current landscaping team to address the ongoing maintenance requirements, ensuring the long-term preservation of this garden.

We extend our sincere thanks to the dedicated Plant Management staff for their expertise and hard work. We also appreciate the patience and cooperation of all residents within this area throughout the duration of the works.

Please find before, during, and after images of this project below.





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Kind Regards,

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