

## Belconnen Bikeway is on its way



Construction of the 4.7 kilometre Belconnen Bikeway will soon get underway, making it easier for people to get around the Belconnen Town Centre.

The bikeway will link Coulter Drive to the town centre, and on to the University of Canberra. It will provide an efficient and safe cycle and pedestrian path network, making the Belconnen region more cycle-friendly with links to surrounding suburbs.

→ More at [tccs.act.gov.au](http://tccs.act.gov.au)

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Construction is expected to be complete in late 2020

## A message from the Chief Minister

We are planning for our growing city by building the major infrastructure projects our city needs to ensure we remain one of the world's most liveable cities.

We're expanding the Canberra Hospital and our Walk-in Centre network, building new schools in our suburbs, delivering a city-wide light rail network and investing in our cultural and community facilities across the city.

As we build the infrastructure our city needs, we are also continuing to renew the facilities in our suburbs and town centres that Canberrans rely upon.

Andrew Barr



## Build, buy or renovate



Getting started with a renovation, new build or off-the-plan purchase?

The Build, Buy, Renovate website provides important information on your rights and responsibilities.

→ Visit [act.gov.au/buildbuyrenovate](http://act.gov.au/buildbuyrenovate)

## Building for Canberra's future



Canberra's population is growing towards 500,000 so we're building our future infrastructure to ensure our city continues to be a great place to work, live and enjoy.

Over the next 10 years we will extend light rail and build new hospital facilities, walk-in centres, schools, sporting facilities and arts and cultural precincts.

→ Find out more about how we are planning for the future at [act.gov.au/our-canberra](http://act.gov.au/our-canberra)



## Canberra maternity options



It's not always clear what to do when you first find out you're having a baby.

There's now a new way to access and learn about Canberra's public maternity system. You will need to call **5124 9977** when you're pregnant to arrange an appointment with a midwife to find and start the best public maternity care for you.

→ More at [health.act.gov.au/maternity](http://health.act.gov.au/maternity)

## A new climate change strategy



Our city has come a long way in reducing emissions. We will reach our 100% renewable electricity target next year, but there is still more to do.

A new climate change strategy for Canberra outlines how we will work together to reduce transport emissions, build smarter buildings, reduce waste,

improve energy efficiency and find innovative solutions to climate change.

→ More at [act.gov.au/climatechange](http://act.gov.au/climatechange)







## New outdoor learning spaces for Belconnen schools



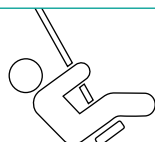
The sensory garden at Evatt Primary School has been upgraded to provide an outdoor retreat for students.

Once matured, the garden will provide more shade to parts of the school building and help with temperature control.

Soft-fall surface beneath play equipment has been replaced at Kaleen and Latham Primary Schools so kids can play safely.

→ More at [act.gov.au/our-canberra](https://act.gov.au/our-canberra)

## Better playgrounds



for Belconnen

Playgrounds across 31 Canberra suburbs, including in Page, Florey, and Latham, have been upgraded.

New shade sails, fencing, seating, inclusive play equipment and footpaths have been installed across 39 playgrounds to make sure local kids have access to well-maintained places to play and explore.

→ Stay updated at [tccs.act.gov.au](https://tccs.act.gov.au)



## Safer road zones in Belconnen

Existing 40km/h zones in Belconnen have been expanded to improve safety.

→ Find a full list of locations at [tccs.act.gov.au](https://tccs.act.gov.au)

## Bulky waste collection service



rolling out across Canberra

Belconnen households will receive a free collection each year as part of a new bulky waste collection service.

You will be able to dispose of items including damaged furniture and worn-out appliances.

The service kicks off in Gungahlin and Tuggeranong in mid-2020. It will roll out to Belconnen in 2021-22.

→ More at [act.gov.au/bulkywaste](https://act.gov.au/bulkywaste)



## Calvary Hospital ED upgrade starts



Improvements to the Calvary Hospital Emergency Department in Belconnen are underway.

The improvements will offer more short-stay capacity and additional treatment areas for patients. The work will improve the streaming of people who come to Calvary Hospital for emergency treatment. There will be no disruption to services at the hospital while works are underway.





# Socceroos coming to Canberra



Canberra will host the Caltex Socceroos against Nepal on 10 October.

Get down to the game at GIO Stadium and show your support for Australia's first match on home soil in the FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022 second round qualifier.

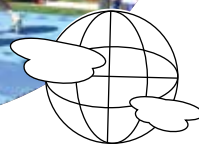
→ Buy tickets at [giostadiumcanberra.com.au](http://giostadiumcanberra.com.au)



GIO Stadium  
10 October



Windows to  
the World  
5-20 October



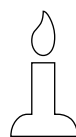
## Around the world without a passport

Experience international culture, flavours and sounds inside Canberra's embassies and high commissions during Windows to the World.

Enjoy free and ticketed events from 5-20 October including an expo at Floriade, traditional Singaporean dancing, and wife-carrying at the Embassy of Finland.

→ More at [windowstotheworld.com.au](http://windowstotheworld.com.au)

## Japanese culture shines at Nara Candle Festival

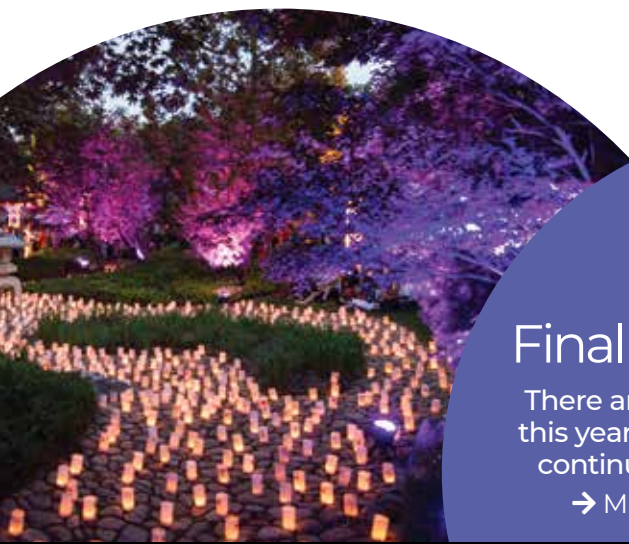


View the sea of candles, watch martial arts displays, take part in drumming workshops and lantern making, and enjoy Japanese music, food and market stalls.

Join the festivities at Canberra Nara Peace Park in Lennox Gardens.

→ See the full program at [events.act.gov.au/nara](http://events.act.gov.au/nara)

Nara Candle  
Festival  
26 October



## Arboretum's new tracks and trails



Twelve kilometres of new tracks and trails are now open at the National Arboretum Canberra.

The new tracks and trails provide more access for visitors to explore some of the Arboretum's 94 forests of rare, endangered and symbolic trees.

→ More at [nationalarboretum.act.gov.au](http://nationalarboretum.act.gov.au)



## Final weeks of Floriade

There are only a couple of weeks left of this year's Floriade festivities, with tulips continuing to bloom until 13 October.

→ More at [floriadeaustralia.com](http://floriadeaustralia.com)



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