HELP SHAPE LIGHT RAIL TO WODEN

There’s still some time to have your say on the route for stage two of the light rail network to Woden.

Light rail will link Gungahlin and the City to Woden. It will form a public transport spine for Canberra, linking major retail, entertainment precincts, employment hubs and education institutions to the suburbs.

The conversation is still open on the ‘Your Say’ website. Your voice will help influence route options, stop locations, alignment and identify items or locations of interest. All community feedback will inform future planning decisions. More opportunities to have your say are still to come.

For more information and to have your say visit yoursay.act.gov.au

There’s still some time. Consultation closes 11 June

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF MINISTER, ANDREW BARR

With work well underway on the first stage of our city-wide light rail network, we have asked Canberrans to help shape the route for stage two of the project – linking the City to Woden town centre.

Light rail to Woden involves crossing the lake and going through the Parliamentary Triangle and, by 2041, almost 90,000 people will live within one kilometre of stage 2. Have your say on exactly where the route goes, and where the stops are located.

Since we asked Canberrans their views in early May, we’ve had a huge amount of constructive feedback. There is still some time to have your say on stage 2. Visit yoursay.act.gov.au before this phase of consultation closes on Sunday 11 June.

HAPPY GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY GARRAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Garran Primary School celebrates its 50th birthday this year. A large artwork honouring the milestone now sits in the main foyer of the school.

The work by artist Paul Summerfield is titled ‘Islands of Learning’ and incorporates many different elements of the school in its design. Also being planned for the celebrations, are a ball and a colour run for students.

For more information visit garranps.act.edu.au
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A ‘GARDEN CITY’ FUTURE FOR BRICKWORKS

A ‘garden city’ development of 380 homes, with a balanced mix of commercial and community uses, is coming to the Canberra Brickworks heritage precinct in Yarralumla.

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Public housing is an important part of Canberra’s story and our community. Many Canberrans grew up in the familiar ‘govvies’.

Today, our public housing is targeted to those in particular need. It helps women and children leaving family violence, older people, many single parent households and people with limited financial means.

Public housing and its tenants helped shape our city and represent the wider Canberra community.

For more information about public housing visit economicdevelopment.act.gov.au

WARM TREES AT THE NATIONAL ARBORETUM

Come and see a huge installation of knitting and crochet on trees this July at the National Arboretum’s Warm Trees event. This year the largest knitted flowers in the world will be on display.

Join us for a free ‘knit in’, enjoy a free guided Warm Trees walk or attend the origami workshops for children. Sponsored by Friends of the Arboretum and the Embassy of Japan, Warm Trees is a volunteer community project.

For more information visit nationalarboretum.act.gov.au

WINTER WARMING TIPS AT ACTSMART WORKSHOPS

Winter is here along with cold feet and higher bills. Actsmart’s free winter workshop series shows you how you can stay warm while minimising your energy bills.

The workshops include practical demonstrations on draught proofing your home, reducing the amount of escaping heat as well as tips on operating your heating systems. There are workshops on solar panels and battery storage too.

For more information visit actsmart.act.gov.au

REGATTA POINT: NOT JUST FOR VISITORS

Canberra locals are encouraged to check out the new Canberra and Region Visitors Centre at Regatta Point.

The state-of-the-art centre presents visitor information in a different way, with interactive digital displays, a large-scale video wall and a dedicated kids’ zone. It’s also the perfect place to pick up event tickets, shop for local products or have a break after a lakeside walk.

The National Capital Exhibition and The Deck café provide even more reasons to drop by, with plenty of parking nearby.

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