There’s been strong demand for new property in Tuggeranong with a positive reception to the new Southquay development. We want to hear from local people about how they value the proposed development area, if it should be developed and if so, what they would like to see in the new suburb.

The ACT Government will be investigating the area further to determine its suitability for development, ensuring that any development protects the area’s high environmental and heritage values. The land is in a prime location, so residents would be no more than one and a half kilometres from the town centre. The development would also open the river corridor for more community recreation.

A new suburb could take shape between the Tuggeranong town centre and the Murrumbidgee River, breathing new life into the area and stimulating urban renewal. The 190 ha area is considered some of the best land in Canberra, along the green swaths of the river corridor with views to the Brindabellas.

To have your say visit haveyoursay.planning.act.gov.au

THE CALWELL MASTERPLAN

The Calwell group centre draft master plan has now been released and reinforces the centre as a community hub, encouraging further activity and places to meet and socialise, as well as improving pedestrian and cycle connections.

The draft master plan offers a range of recommendations to build upon and enhance the future development of the centre whilst providing the Calwell community with the opportunity to comment on and refine the final outcome.

View the full list of recommendations and have your say on the plan at haveyoursay.planning.act.gov.au

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF MINISTER, ANDREW BARR

We hear a lot about innovation. It’s a word that truly applies to our city. We have world leading universities that are creating jobs and diversifying our economy. Alongside the CBR Innovation Network, they’re creating a knowledge capital that supports entrepreneurs. Just last month, two of our female innovators were named most influential female entrepreneurs in Australia.

We are showing innovation in transport by being the first Australian city to regulate ridesharing technology, working with researchers to improve motor vehicle safety, integrating light rail and bus networks and introducing smart parking technology.

Access Canberra is also using technology to make it easier to do business with government.
A MAKEOVER FOR MOUNT AINSLIE SUMMIT

Congratulations to Sue Barnsley and Jane Irwin, the inspiring duo who wowed judges with their compelling design for the Mount Ainslie Summit.

The national competition to rejuvenate one of Canberra’s most significant lookouts attracted 17 entrants from across Australia. Future visitors will enjoy a striking new circular lookout, lawns for picnicking as well as a native meadow as part of the new design.

For more information on the winning designs visit tams.act.gov.au.

A SHELF FULL OF LOCAL AUTHORS

Canberra has a vibrant, active and diverse writing and publishing scene and our public libraries are some of the best places to connect with local and regional authors. There’s a shelf full of local author talks all around Canberra for you to enjoy throughout autumn.

Bookings for author talks are essential and can be made online at library.act.gov.au.

ACTION SERVICES ON ANZAC DAY

ACTION will provide free bus travel all day on ANZAC Day, Monday 25 April 2016 to anyone wearing or displaying service medals.

Canberrans are also reminded that ACTION will be running to a Sunday timetable on this day. ACTION will again be running free services to the dawn services from all major bus stations.

For more information visit action.act.gov.au or call 13 17 10.

The ACT Government is committed to delivering more bus services for Canberrans, more often. Find out how at transport.act.gov.au.

IMPROVING PUBLIC TRANSPORT

In the next 20 years, Canberra’s population is set to increase by a third, with almost 500,000 people calling our city home by 2035.

Canberrans need a modern transport system that can meet the requirements of our growing and changing city and offer a genuine alternative to driving.

We want to hear from all Canberrans on their expectations and aspirations for Canberra’s transport system.

To have your say visit haveyoursay.planning.act.gov.au.

From 1 July this year Transport Canberra will manage the integration of transport and transport infrastructure across the city.

For more information visit transport.act.gov.au.
NEW GREENWAY AMBULANCE STATION
ON TRACK FOR APRIL COMPLETION

Work on converting the former Greenway Fire and Rescue Station into an Ambulance Station is running on schedule with the upgrades due for completion by the end of April.

Located on the corner of Scollay and Reeds Streets in Greenway, the completed station will be a modern fit-for-purpose facility that will provide high quality pre-hospital emergency care to the Tuggeranong community.

MAKING MONASH MORE AGE-FRIENDLY

Monash has been selected as a pilot suburb in the ACT Government’s Age Friendly Suburbs Active Travel project. The project will improve local infrastructure and facilities to make it easier for older residents to get around.

Age friendly upgrades are also currently underway in Ainslie and Weston. Community feedback from consultations held in March will help develop a list of priority improvements for the suburb to be designed and constructed over the next financial year.

For more information visit act.gov.au/our-canberra

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORT IN CANBERRA

If current trends continue, domestic violence will impact one in three Australian women in their lifetimes.

Accommodation, outreach, legal and domestic violence services are available for people in Canberra who are escaping domestic or family violence and sexual assault, and who may be experiencing homelessness.

If you or someone you know is experiencing violence there is help available, contact Domestic Violence Crisis Service on 1800RESPECT.

CLOSER FOOD ON GAME DAY AT GIO STADIUM

As part of the new reduced food options, pies will be 18% cheaper, hot chips will be 20% cheaper, hot dogs will be 23% cheaper, and salads will be 28% cheaper, in response to feedback received from football fans. The new prices are as follows:

- Meat pie $4.50 (from $5.50)
- Hot chips $4.00 (from $5.00)
- Plain hot dog $5.00 (from $6.50)
- Salad $5.00 (from $7.00)
2016 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Youth advocate and the ACT’s Official Visitor for Children and Young People, Narelle Hargreaves OAM, has been named the 2016 Canberra Citizen of the Year!

Find out more about Narelle at act.gov.au/our-canberra

A TREAT FOR CULTURE VULTURES: CANBERRA INTERNATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

28 APRIL - 8 MAY

A vibrant fusion of expertly curated music, iconic performances and exceptional music-making mixed with culinary surprises.

Find the full program at cimf.org.au

YOU ARE HERE IN CBR

13 - 17 APRIL

A free, five-day curated showcase of independent and experimental arts in the Canberra CBD.

Popping up in shopfronts, alleyways, cafes, streets, car parks, galleries, museums and cars. You Are Here is playful, irreverent and lo-fi.

Find the full event program at youareherecanberra.com.au

IN CANBERRA AUTUMN

DISCOVERIES & REDISCOVERIES AT THE CANBERRA REGION HERITAGE FESTIVAL

2 - 18 APRIL

With over 120 events, each heritage place or object tells a story from the past to the present and carries that story into the future.

The Canberra community will have an opportunity to learn about these stories through tours, workshops, exhibitions, open days, talks and more.

For more information visit act.gov.au/our-canberra

NAME TUGGERANONG’S NEWEST PARK Submissions close 14 April

For more information visit lda.act.gov.au

For more stories and information from across Canberra, visit act.gov.au/ourcanberra or follow us on social media.