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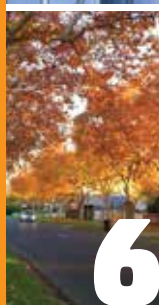
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## Join the fun at Christmas Eve Carols

The Blackwood Hills Baptist Church's Christmas Eve Carols is set to return to Hewett Oval on 24 December.

The community is invited to enjoy a free event that begins at 6pm with a bouncing castle, camel rides, nativity scene, face painting, a sausage sizzle, donuts, tea and coffee.

The program of carols begins at 8pm and will finish at 9.15pm. Free candles will be available on the night.

In its 41st year, the BHBC Christmas Eve Carols is supported by City of Mitcham's Grants Program.

Seating will be available, and families are also welcome to bring along their own picnic rugs and picnic food.

**BHBC Christmas Eve Carols, Saturday 24 December, 6pm to 9.15pm, Hewett Sports Ground, Coromandel Parade, Blackwood.**



## Festive fun at CC Hood Reserve

City of Mitcham residents are invited to pack a picnic and enjoy our Christmas Celebration Space at CC Hood Reserve, Panorama.



Our popular dog park will be decked out in lights and decorations created by local groups and will host pop-up activities for the kids this month.

Kids are invited to join Nature Play SA for nature-based Christmas crafts and outdoor adventures.

The sessions include a 40-minute geocaching experience and the chance to make a Christmas ornament to take home. Keep an eye on the City of Mitcham website for session times and booking details.

Come along at dusk to enjoy the lights or just wander through and enjoy the festive atmosphere.

**CC Hood Reserve Celebration Space at Eliza Place, Panorama, is open from Saturday 25 November until Monday 1 January.**

## Centennial Park to host Carols in the Park

Centennial Park is set to host its annual Carols in the Park event on Friday 1 December.

Residents are invited to welcome the Christmas season and share an evening of remembrance and celebration with family and friends.

**Carols in the Park, Friday 1 December, 6pm to 7.30pm, Jubilee Complex Lawns, Centennial Park, 760 Goodwood Road, Pasadena.**

The free community event will include performances by the Australian Girls Choir and children's entertainer Eve, playing singalong songs on the ukulele.

Wildflowers Café will be open to offer snacks and Christmas treats.

Seating will be available and families are welcome to bring along their own picnic rugs and food.

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## Choirs on song for Carols at Kingswood Oval

City of Mitcham's young singers are ready to jingle all the way to this year's Carols at Kingswood Oval with Flinders University, to be held on Saturday 9 December.

Students from St Joseph's School, Kingswood, St Therese School, Mercedes College and St Bernadette's School will take to the stage for the 26th carols event.

They will be joined by Mitcham City Brass and a crew of local performers who will help lead the traditional carols singalong.

The stage show begins with a Welcome to Country at 7pm and will finish at 9pm, including a visit from Father Christmas.

A nativity scene will be presented by Mitcham Churches Schools Ministry Group supported by the choir from St Therese School.

City of Mitcham Mayor Dr Heather Holmes-Ross is looking forward to welcoming the community to a fun, family-friendly event.

"We hope everyone can join us to celebrate the holiday season and what it is that makes our city such a special place to live."

Join us from 5pm to grab a spot and enjoy a carnival atmosphere with craft activity stations, circus skills workshops, a silent disco, face painting, bubble blowing and Christmas market stalls, and enjoy the new Kingswood Oval playground.

City of Mitcham's libraries team will return to the Storytime Tent to share Christmas stories and this year there will be a chill-out zone for anyone seeking a quiet space.

Bring a rug or chairs and enjoy a BYO picnic or purchase dinner from a variety of food and drink vans.

Residents are encouraged to walk, bus or cycle to the event and take advantage of bike parks on Rugby Street. Help us minimise waste by bringing your own water bottle for refills at two SA Water Quench Bench fountains.

Performances will be shown on a large LED screen ensuring wherever you are seated on the oval you will be able to enjoy the show.

Lyrics to all the carols will be available on the program and published on the City of Mitcham website at [www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au/carols](http://www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au/carols)

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# Celebrate the festive season!

This festive season there are plenty of fun activities planned across City of Mitcham. Register to be part of our Christmas Lights Trail, shop for hand made goodies at Christmas Markets, enjoy a Christmas-themed visit to CC Hood Reserve, or grab a spot to watch the Blackwood Christmas pageant.



## Blackwood Christmas Pageant and Fair

The Blackwood Christmas Pageant is on again this year and will parade down Main Road, Blackwood, on Friday 1 December.

Supported by the City of Mitcham and run by the Lions Club of Blackwood in conjunction with the Waite Electorate Office, the Pageant will begin on the corner of Gulfview Road and Main Road at 6.30pm.

A much-loved community event for over 50 years, the Pageant will showcase local CFS

and SES units, schools, businesses, churches, sports and community groups.

After the Pageant, enjoy the Pageant Fair on Waite Street Reserve hosted by the Rotary Club of Coromandel Valley.

The Fair is held where Pageant floats finish their journey and includes a variety of food stalls and entertainment from 7pm to 9pm.

The Pageant will proceed along Main Road to Young Street, turn right onto Waite Street and finish at Waite Street Reserve.

Road closures will be in place from 5.30pm, and a 25kmh speed limit will be enforced on Main Road from 4.30pm.

Residents are encouraged to bring chairs and rugs and plan parking in advance.



## New home for Blackwood Christmas Tree Festival

Tiwu Kumangka is set to host the annual Blackwood Christmas Tree Festival on Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 December from 10am to 4pm.

Supported by a City of Mitcham grant, the festival showcases decorated Christmas trees, crafted by local community groups, businesses, schools and individuals. A highlight of the festival is a visit by Father Christmas.

Every second year the Blackwood Action Group (BAG) invites the community to decorate trees which are sold at the festival.

For the past 18 months, BAG has been holding monthly community craft sessions

for residents to create handmade gifts, cards, wreaths and tree decorations to sell at the festival.

Money raised will be donated to the Blackwood CFS and the Lions Hearing Dogs project.

Residents are also invited to bring a gift to place under the Giving Tree to help families doing it tough at Christmas.

**To find out more email Pauline Dodd at [paulinedodd@bigpond.com](mailto:paulinedodd@bigpond.com) or visit [www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au/tiwu-kumangka](http://www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au/tiwu-kumangka)**

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## Carrick Hill Christmas Celebration Open Day

The community is invited to a free open day at Carrick Hill on Sunday 3 December from 10am to 4.30pm.

The House and Gardens will be open and free for all to enjoy. There will be carols, food and entertainment, plus a visit from a special guest!

**To register, visit [www.trybooking.com/CMNJE](http://www.trybooking.com/CMNJE)**

*The Open Day is supported by the City of Mitcham Grants Program.*



## Rotary Christmas Fair

The Blackwood Rotary Club is hosting its annual Christmas Fair on Sunday 5 November at Karinya Reserve, Shepherds Hill Road, Eden Hills.

The Fair includes a curated bazaar, craft and food stalls, entertainment, children's activities and a visit by Father Christmas.

**Visit the fair from 9am to 3pm. To find out more email [mwg2803@bigpond.com](mailto:mwg2803@bigpond.com)**

## Register to join our Christmas Lights Trail!

Do you decorate your house in the lead-up to Christmas?

Register your Christmas lights and go in the draw to win one of 12 x \$100 gift vouchers to spend at The Christmas Shop at Cumberland Park.

Share your details by Sunday 3 December to be included in the random prize draw.

View our interactive map on our website or collect a 2023 map from various Council locations from Wednesday 6 December.

**How do I register?** To be included in the map, you can:

- Send in the street name, suburb and contact details to [christmaslights@mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au](mailto:christmaslights@mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au)
- Complete our online Christmas Lights Trail Map form at [www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au/christmas-lights](http://www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au/christmas-lights)
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It was with an enormous sense of achievement and pride that I watched the crowd of onlookers stream through the entrance and into the lofty atrium of Tiwu Kumangka (tee-woo ga-mung-ga). It was so satisfying to see the looks of joy and wonder on people's faces as they took their first glimpses inside the building. Like me, they stood in awe of this architecturally designed, spacious, beautifully crafted and appointed space. It is absolutely inspirational, and a credit to so many people. The building has been abuzz since the doors opened. The first week saw a wide range of activities designed to showcase the new spaces with hundreds of people attending each day. I visited a couple of times and was very happy to see, in particular, young people chilling out on the large, stepped seating adjacent to the stairs, and on one occasion three young children having a wonderful time dancing and jumping down the same steps. This is exactly what we wanted Tiwu Kumangka to be – vibrant and organic in its usage, flexible and open to interpretation.

What a journey it has been to realise the Mitcham hills residents' dream of a modern library/community centre. At the ribbon cutting ceremony I was unsure of the dates, but have since been informed by local resident, Ruth Slater, that the library moved into its temporary location far earlier than my recollection of 30 years ago. While volunteering at the Mitcham Local History Service Ruth checked and discovered that the Ivor Symons Library opened for business on 15 January 1973 at its Shepherds Hill Road location and moved into the old Hains Hunkin building on Main Road in June 1981. So, the library had been in the making for over 40 years!

Tiwu Kumangka is a credit to many people including Elected Members of previous councils. Decisions over several terms, some of them quite controversial, including the purchase of the nursery site, the timing of the upgrade of the Mitcham Memorial Library, the plan to co-locate the Blackwood Library and community centre, various funding decisions, and more, have culminated in the finished design and location. This \$12.6 million build is the largest project Mitcham has ever delivered and we are very grateful for the funding contributions from other levels of government – \$5 million from federal government and \$3.5 million from the state.

Of course, the other heroes in the story are the Mitcham staff and, of course, the designers and building contractors. When our CEO, Matt Pears began at Mitcham 12 years ago, he was told by the Chair of the State Library board that Mitcham was home to two of the three worst library buildings in the state! I wish to acknowledge his work and that of the executive team in remedying this situation. The City of Mitcham now boasts two magnificent contemporary library buildings, with Tiwu Kumangka integrating a range of community spaces, which we hope our residents will enjoy for many many years to come.

## The Park Ward

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*The Park Ward encompasses the suburbs of Glenalta, Hawthorndene and parts of Blackwood, Belair and Upper Sturt.*

I am super excited to see the new Tiwu Kumangka open to residents.

The other day I attended on a standard Saturday and saw so many residents using it, including new families, students and older people. The mix of people using the site was great to see. I was also heartened to see the toy library, maker space and other key features that all hills Councillors had fought hard to see included.

What pleased me most is it is far more than a library and this sets it apart from Mitcham Memorial Library. Tiwu Kumangka is a genuine community centre with a library, operating harmoniously together.

**My 12 month stocktake**

I believe it is important that I am accountable to the residents of The Park Ward. So, let's see how I've gone over the first year of this Council.

Almost 12 months ago, I committed to advocating for the following immediate actions by Council:

- **Finalising the new Library and Community Centre**
  - Outcome: fantastic new Tiwu Kumangka facility has opened
- **Mixed use private development at the old library site to enhance Blackwood business district**
  - Outcome: site is currently on the open market and this represents significant progress toward this goal
- **Providing a long-term lease for the Blackwood Recreation Centre**
  - Outcome: arrangements to finalise terms are continuing with Department for Education and the Rec Centre
- **Upgrading the Waite Street Reserve precinct**
  - Outcome: Council has a \$3.2 million project starting in late 2024 to reinvigorate the heart of Blackwood
- **Continued action on the climate emergency**
  - Outcome: Council has enhanced the pace of Council Electric Vehicle fleet transition, as well as the community solar and battery programs
- **Increased efficiencies at Council**
  - Outcome: Council identified over \$850,000 in efficiencies and savings in the 23-24 Budget
- **Funding to commence the Pasadena Community Centre**
  - Outcome: \$3 million community centre is fully funded
- **\$100 concession holder (such as pensioners) rate rebate during a cost-of-living crisis**
  - Outcome: I sought on multiple occasions to include this measure in the budget but this was defeated by other Councillors.

**Your Fire Plan**

At this time of year, I would like to pay tribute to our firefighters, right across Australia, but particularly those in our local area. Their courage is a great statement and I think we all acknowledge their bravery.

I am also heartened that most residents have a fire safety plan. Most residents are planning by:

- Checking regularly on the CFS warnings and incidents webpage, for fires on very high and catastrophic fire risk days.
- Considering moving out on catastrophic fire days, especially for children, the elderly and people with illness or disability.
- Coming up with a plan on when to leave, where they will go and how they will get there.

These actions are crucial to surviving fires in our area.

Stay safe this year over summer – be prepared and leave home on catastrophic fire days.

## Craigburn Ward

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*Craigburn Ward encompasses the suburbs of Craigburn Farm, Bellevue Heights and parts of Blackwood, Coromandel Valley and Eden Hills.*

Hello again. The opening of our wonderful, brand new \$12.5M **Tiwu Kumangka** has been a resounding success. Our community clearly loves it with families coming to the opening day and then every other day of the holidays. Staff advised that we had 8,531 visitors during the first seven days of operation. For context, the last week at the old location as residents said 'farewell', we received 2,229 visitors. At Tiwu, 7,297 items borrowed vs 2,848 items during the old library's last week. 39 programs delivered to 2,790 residents including clay and craft, Lego challenge, Babytime, scientific bubble show, dot painting and basket weaving, tunnel book workshops, 3D printing and my personal favourite the repair centre facilitated by **www.makerspaceadelaide.org**, electronic repairs and much more to come!

The Voice referendum was lost, where to from here? Well, as per the AEC polling booth data **Mitcham Council residents voted Yes, 53% to 46%**. 1% informal. See my social media for the itemised 20 of 23 booths that voted Yes for a Voice. I've written to Louise Miller-Frost MP to advise that our democracy is at dire risk of misinformation and lies from the tsunami of paid social media. This problem is MUCH bigger than the referendum. The Commonwealth should legislate for an expanded AEC role with more funding, expand the advertising blackout period to online. Currently it's only TV! Require social media companies to take down all political advertising that originates from overseas.

Given our residents' support for the Voice, I expect Council will continue to fund, consult and then implement our Reconciliation Action Plan. I also expect Council to now amplify the coming **SA First Nation's Voice**. I moved for a new Reconciliation webpage summarising all our efforts at: **<https://www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au/Our-city-and-council/reconciliation>**

Eagle-eyed readers of agendas will have seen in budget-review 1 on 10 October **\$250,000** allocated to our Community Renewables Program in collaboration with ShineHub. That money will be used to extend our collaboration with **ShineHub** and is an investment to expand and leverage this program to find savings and revenue, cut Council's costs and most importantly to cut the rates and electricity bills for residents. The details are still in confidence but will be released soon including details of a further 2024 resident bulk-buy, expanded commercial access and a community retail energy plan that will blow the socks off the ex-critics and delight residents. Santa might even bring a surprise for the ~800 residents in our virtual power plant (VPP)!

Also we have **new footpaths!** After years of not building any new footpaths, we voted unanimously to allocate \$882,000 for **16 new footpaths across the city**. We build footpaths where there is need. Up the hill, this includes Ashby Avenue and Keith Road. The full list is on my **Facebook**. Progress will be made in delivering these footpaths during 2023/24 although construction completion will be unlikely for all within the 2023/24 year.

Finally, I plan to be at **Tiwu most Tuesday afternoons from 4pm** to talk all things Council. Please drop in!

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*Gault Ward encompasses the suburbs of Hawthorn, Westbourne Park, Lower Mitcham and parts of Colonel Light Gardens, Clapham and Kingswood.*

Recent times have been exceptionally busy, and I thought it's worthwhile summarising some of the key events of the past few months.

The recission motion brought by your Gault Ward Councillors was well received and thankfully quelled the community discontent regarding the allocation of \$40K in support of the Yes Campaign. It was a very intense time given the strong reaction from ratepayers and negative media coverage. Pia and I are happy to have opposed the proposal from the outset and were pleased that the community made its feelings known so clearly for the matter to be successfully resolved.

Community consultation for the development of Mortlock Park has commenced with a random selection of nominated local residents to be on the advisory panel together with representatives from both sporting clubs, schools and CLG Residents Association. History has shown us that the more engaged the community is in the early stages of project planning, the better the outcome, so please let us know what you think. Consultation regarding the development of the Mitcham Court Precinct has recently been completed with the feedback provided currently being assessed to determine the best way forward.

Consultation on George Street bridge in Hawthorn has also been completed with the majority of respondents preferring to have George Street remain open. This will enable Council to get on with the preparatory work to replace the bridge structure which has reached the end of its life and is having to be continually monitored. At this stage, the project has been approved to proceed to cater for regular two-way traffic, but there may be an opportunity to consider a reduction to single lane traffic movement with wider footpaths or other options to cater for increased pedestrian use during the final design.

As far as project proposals go, the hot topic has been the Forestville Hockey Club/Unley High School proposal for the construction of a national standard all-weather synthetic hockey pitch and small clubrooms on the western side of the school. Council endorsed the \$4.1m State and Federal funded development at its meeting on October 10 and committed to a contribution of \$140,000. The Forestville Hockey Club includes the former Kingswood Hockey Club which merged in 1993.

Concerns from some local residents regarding traffic, noise and the use of artificial turf were considered, but on balance, given the strong enthusiasm from Unley High School to have access to an all-weather facility for school physical activities during weekdays, it was considered a worthwhile project to support.

Funding for the entrance renovations at Hawthorn Bowls Club has been finalised and the Club and Council Administration are working through the final design to ensure maximum value for money.

It was a pleasure to participate in the opening of the new Library/Community Centre facility Tiwu Kumangka at Blackwood. It is a very impressive building which will no doubt serve the community well. Support for the Pasadena Community Centre is ongoing, and we look forward to seeing options for its final form in the near future.

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*Overton Ward encompasses the suburbs of Clarence Gardens, Cumberland Park, Daw Park, Melrose Park and parts of Colonel Light Gardens and St Marys.*

In the 1980s, I shared with a friend who owned a lovely large terrace house in Sydney. It was definitely the finest house in the street, but I didn't much enjoy living there, which surprised me at the time. I only really felt home when I opened the front door. Over time, I came to realise where my sense of home commenced, and it proved to be quite some distance away from where I actually resided. Approaching my home, I came to dislike passing through semi-industrial or largely commercial areas, with an array of used car yards, factories, and fast-food outlets, and, after a year, I chose to move to a nicer neighbourhood.

So, this leads me to pose the question, 'Where does your sense of home start?' When you open your front door? When you pull into your driveway or street? Or when you enter your local neighbourhood? The answer to this is very important to me as an elected representative. Given the current planning and development code, Councillors have very little say over proposed residential or commercial buildings, with private certifiers undertaking more and more assessments, but, thankfully, we still continue to hold significant sway over general neighbourhood amenity.

As a Councillor, one of my main priorities has always been on maintaining and improving our public spaces and streetscapes, through improved planting, better street furniture, more inclusion of public art, and a focus on making our suburbs more 'liveable.' But what does the latter mean? Well, to me, it is about valuing pedestrians, cyclists, and other non-motorised forms of transport as much, or even above, vehicles. This truly bucks the general trend in many of our cities where cars rule supreme, and where planning decisions are largely made with an eye on cutting travel times, usually at the expense of our streetscapes. More and more hard and barren surfaces are showing up along our transport routes.

Obviously, many factors are at play in regards current traffic congestion – poor public transport options, higher density housing, little opportunity for flexible working hours, and not much choice about working more at home rather than always in an office. All contribute to the daily car commute. As our main roads become more clogged, drivers have taken to increasingly cutting through suburbs, using what were previously quiet streets, and travelling at speeds often incompatible with pedestrians' and cyclists' safety.

Since being elected 12 months ago, traffic complaints have been the dominant issue in Overton, and I am pleased that our local area traffic management studies are underway. The data from these is crucial in planning how best to tackle traffic volumes and speeds, to limit what vehicle type gains access to residential streets, and, importantly, to satisfy the funding criteria for state and federal grant applications. These grants will be essential for Council to be able to fund expensive reconfiguration of streets and installation of traffic-calming devices.

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*Babbage Ward encompasses the suburbs of Bedford Park, Pasadena, Panorama, Lynton and parts of Clapham, Eden Hills and St Marys.*

**St Marys growth precinct**

With the release of the concept plans for the River Torrens to Darlington (T2D) road project, Council is continuing investigations into St Marys as a potential growth precinct. Our focus is only on the "surface level" road accessibility and investment opportunities during and beyond the road construction. There are two identified localities in St Marys. First is the connection between St Marys and Clovelly Park and safeguarding a road crossing, and secondly managing business and commercial development along Brookman Avenue and housing infill around St Marys Park. There will be ongoing discussions and reports in relation to opportunities for potential partnerships and grants.

**Plastic recycling**

Recently a Cumberland Park resident, Daniel gave a presentation to Council Members about how he recycles waste plastic to make plastic panels. He is seeking Council "start-up" support for his innovative idea which requires purchasing specialised equipment. His idea is to encourage local people to collect and deliver specific waste plastic to a workshop in St Marys, where he will melt it to create panels that can then be used for a wide range of purposes including as building panels. He has strong resident support as well as a supply group who want to be involved. Daniel is passionate about removing disposable plastic from the economy safely. Everyday practices of rethinking, refusing and reducing our reliance on plastics is his message.

**CC Hood Reserve Masterplan**

I am eagerly awaiting the final report on the Masterplan for CC Hood Reserve Masterplan, which should come to the Chamber in November or December 2023. It will be available publicly as a 'future decision report' prior to being presented to Council for decision.

**Southern Business Connections**

Did you know that there is a local business network called Southern Business Connections (SBC)? They support our business community through informing, networking and connecting. I encourage businesses to consider membership. <https://sbconnections.com.au/>

**Verges**

In October several motions were passed that will drive the concept of residents greening and managing vegetation on Council verges. There is strong interest by residents wanting to manage and green their verges but currently the approval process is difficult to understand. To simplify the process, money has been allocated to develop a "verge greening guide" similar to other councils' best practice. Staff will collaborate with other councils, and Greening Australia to develop a relevant, useful guide for residents. Also, staff will investigate the feasibility of removing complicated legislation "greening verge" application requirements. Finally, staff resourcing will be increased so that verge greening and verge landscaping activities can be supported, encouraged and managed.

Evidence shows that if residents have responsibility for planting and maintaining the verge outside their house or on Council land, there are benefits for everyone, such as reducing the temperature of land nearby, and reducing money spent by Council on chemical spraying and slashing of verges. Also, residents working together to green their street, make positive connections and friendships with their neighbours.

Please call or email me if you have issues to discuss.



## Zonta hosts Women's Expo

The Zonta Club of Adelaide Hills is set to host an expo to celebrate and empower women in the community.

The 2023 Women's Expo will be held at the Soldiers Memorial Gardens alongside the Mitcham Memorial Library on Saturday 18 November from 11am to 2pm.

Supported by a My Mitcham Community grant, the day will showcase clubs, organisations and businesses who provide services and activities for women.

The expo will be held ahead of Zonta International's 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-based Violence.

From Saturday 25 November, keep an eye out for 'Orange Ladies' in businesses across Blackwood, installed to raise awareness of the impact of domestic violence.

**The campaign includes a vigil at the Windy Point Lookout, Belair, at sunset on Thursday 30 November. To attend the vigil, email [zcahills@gmail.com](mailto:zcahills@gmail.com).**

*Amanda Pratt of Amanda's Flowers with 'Lucy', an Orange Lady, in her Blackwood shop last year.*



## Tiwu Kumangka now open!

Hundreds of residents turned out to celebrate the opening of Tiwu Kumangka at Blackwood on Monday 9 October.

City of Mitcham Mayor Dr Heather Holmes-Ross was joined by Member for Boothby Louise Miller-Frost MP, Member for Waite Catherine Hutchesson MP, City of Mitcham Council Members and staff to cut the ribbon and open the facility.

Dr Holmes-Ross said the library project had been many years in the making and heralded an exciting new direction for Blackwood.

Next steps include creating a north-south corridor between Woolworths and Coles supermarkets, an upgrade of Young Street and Waite Street Reserve as well as a new strip of shops alongside Drakes supermarket.

The project was supported by funding from City of Mitcham, the Federal Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications and a State Government Local Government Infrastructure Grant.

**Find out what's on at [www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au/tiwu-kumangka](http://www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au/tiwu-kumangka)**

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