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Dear Sir/Madam



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BRIGHTS PLACE, MELBOURNE - Streetscape improvement works

The City of Melbourne is proposing works to improve the environment in the (Council-owned) southern half of Brights Place as part of the wider Connecting Laneways project. We welcome your feedback on the enclosed concept plan.

The City of Melbourne is upgrading many of its streets as part of the Streetscapes program, which aims to enhance our streets and laneways through road and footpath works, landscaping and other improvements.

The proposal

The Connecting Laneways project aims to strengthen the existing pedestrian link between Flagstaff Station and Bourke Street. The proposed changes in Brights Place include:

- Making the existing bluestone road surface more even and pedestrian-friendly whilst retaining the heritage character, by lifting each stone, cutting the top surface flat and relaying (see concept plan for example image)
- Replacing existing asphalt footpath on both sides of the southern section of the lane with new sawn bluestone paving and upgrade the bluestone kerb
- Possible outdoor café site, subject to a City of Melbourne Outdoor Café Permit application which would involve further consultation with surrounding properties.

Over the coming months, you will also notice new signage designating Brights Place as a 'Shared Zone' where the speed of vehicles is limited to 10km/h and pedestrians have priority over vehicles. This is part of a wider program to improve Melbourne's walking network by enhancing pedestrian safety in well-used laneways while still retaining access for vehicles.

The cost and timing

The \$400,000 works in Brights Place are planned to commence in February 2015 and will take approximately 12 weeks to complete. Closer to the start of construction, you will receive information confirming the start date and timing of the works.

Have your say

A **feedback form** is enclosed to help you to provide comments about the proposal or you can **email** your comments to <u>streetscapes@melbourne.vic.gov.au</u>.

To provide **feedback online** visit <u>participate.melbourne.vic.gov.au/streetscapes</u> You can also view documentation such as plans, letters and construction timetables for this and other projects which may affect you. You can also check the 'Project updates' section for the latest news, including any changes to the timing of construction works.

All comments must be received no later than Friday 10 October 2014.

We look forward to your involvement and support in helping us enhance the pedestrian environment in Brights Place. For more information, please call the Engineering Services Branch on 9658 8711 or email streetscapes@melbourne.vic.gov.au

Yours sincerely,

Michael Norton

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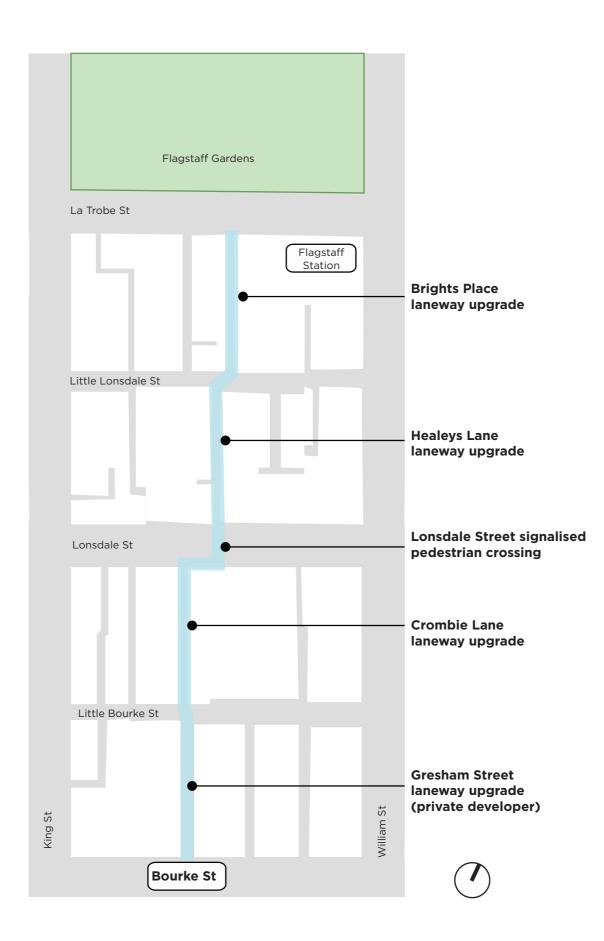
OVERALL SITE AND PROJECT BRIEF

The City of Melbourne has identified an opportunity to improve the laneways of Brights Place, Healeys Lane and Crombie Lane in Melbourne as part of the wider connecting laneways project.

The improvements will strengthen an existing link for pedestrians between Flagstaff Station and Bourke Street and also includes the Gresham Street upgrade (private developer funded) and the Lonsdale Street signalised pedestrian crossing project (funded from Council's 2013-14 capital works budget).

Through this project we will consider the following:

- Building and business requirements e.g. building access and future development plans for private land.
- Road safety objectives and actions to improve pedestrian access, create a natural link for pedestrians between Flagstaff Station and Bourke Street and encourage walking as a method of transport.
- Laneway type- e.g. thoroughfare or food destination.





Brights Place



Healeys Lane



Crombie Lane



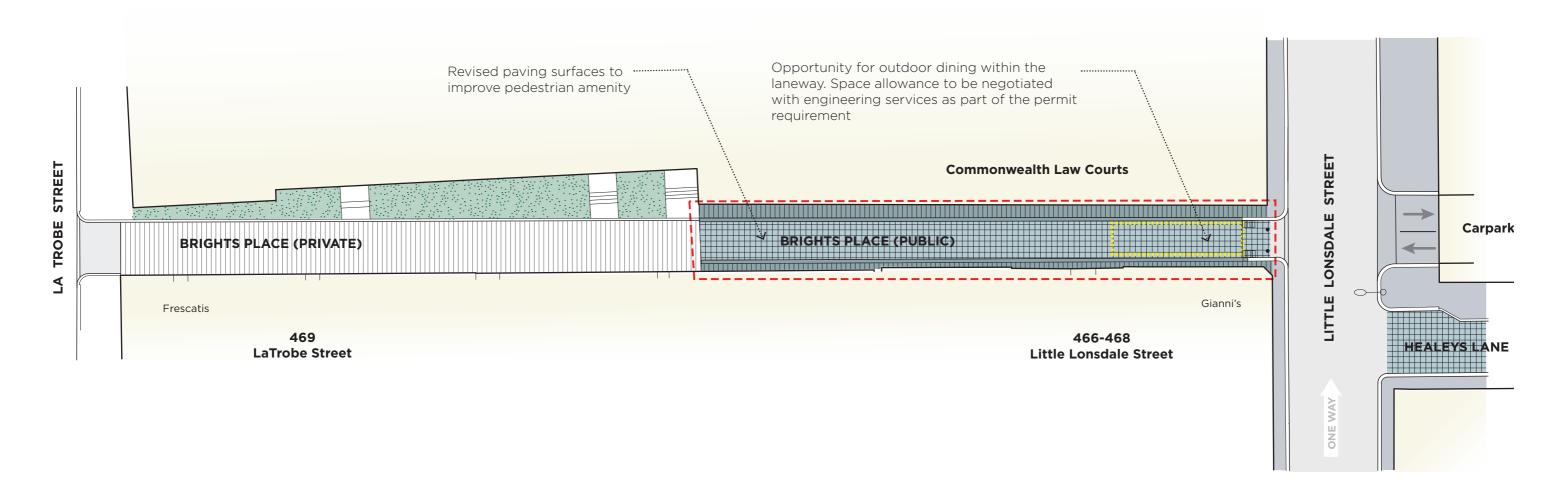
Gresham Street.
Private developer funded, construction underway



CONNECTING LANEWAYS

BRIGHTS PLACE / DRAFT DESIGN FOR CONSULTATION

Pedestrian only lane (service vehicles permitted)





Extent of proposed works

Asphalt footpath

Existing heritage paving with revised surface finish

New sawn bluestone paving

Bluestone kerb

Possible outdoor dining area - permit required

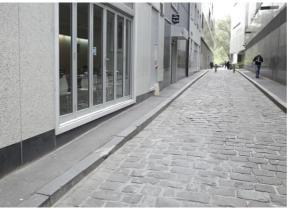
Private buildings

Private garden areas

Existing sawn bluestone paving in privately owned lane area

>—○ Existing Council street light

Existing Council bollard



Existing heritage bluestone pitcher paving



Proposed surface finish to heritage bluestone pitcher paving

The proposed surface finish to the heritage bluestone pitcher paving is achieved by lifting each pitcher, cutting flat the top surface and relaying it.

This treatment aims to retain the heritage value whilst providing a more pedestrian friendly surface.





CONNECTING LANEWAYS





BRIGHTS PLACE, MELBOURNE

Feedback form

Please return your comments no later than Friday 10 October 2014.								
Name (optional):								
How would you like to receive further information from the project team? Please tick (✓)								
		Mail	Address:					
		Email	Address:					
What is your interest in this project? Please tick (✓) all that apply								
		Resident				Business		
		Property own				Property occupier/tenant		
Do you support the proposed streetscape design? Please tick (✓)								
		In general, I support the proposed streetscape design						
		In general, I do not support the proposed streetscape design						
What do you think are the best aspects of the streetscape design?								
Are there any changes you would like to make to the streetscape design?								

Please continue on the next page . . .

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Thank you for taking the time to comment on the works proposed for Brights Place.

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