



## Cruikshank Park - September 2018

Melbourne Water is carrying out clean-up works along Stony Creek following the West Footscray Factory Fire. We are working closely with Maribyrnong City Council, EPA and other agencies to restore the creek and the surrounding environment as quickly as possible.

Works will start at Cruikshank Park and then progress to other affected areas of the creek.

We understand how important the creek is to the community, and we appreciate your understanding whilst we complete these works.

## What is happening?

Melbourne Water will be carrying out the following clean-up activities along the creek in Cruickshank Park:

- Pressure washing the banks and rocks to remove contaminated material (black sludge).
- Removing affected vegetation along the banks and replacing this with new vegetation.
- Placing barriers in the creek to collect and remove any contaminated material.

Our staff will be coming into direct contact with the creek. You will notice them dressed in full protective gear whilst we complete this clean-up. This protective gear is a precaution only based on advice from EPA when coming into direct contact with the water.

While monitoring within the creek has shown improvement in some levels, the EPA is continuing to advise the community to avoid all contact with water, keep pets away from the creek and not to consume fish from the area until such time as consistently safe levels are reached. For further information on EPA's work on the issue, please go to <a href="https://www.epa.vic.gov.au/WFFire">www.epa.vic.gov.au/WFFire</a>

Maribyrnong City Council are the lead agency in the West Footscray/Tottenham recovery fire phase. For questions in relation to the recovery email Council at recovery@maribyrnong.vic.gov.au or visit www.maribyrnong.vic.gov.au/

## **Timing**

Melbourne Water clean-up works will be carried out along the creek from late September until late 2018. We will keep the community updated about our progress and any changes to the timeframe.

## Keep up to date with what's happening

For more information about Melbourne Water's clean up activities please contact us on 131 722.

For more information about the recovery phase please email Council on recovery@maribyrnong.vic.gov.au or visit Council's webpage www.maribyrnong.vic.gov.au



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