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North Melbourne
Community Update



What's happening on site

Canning Street repairs
Major works continuing on external walls, corridors and laundries

Next stage for high-rise redevelopment at 159 Melrose Street
High-rise redevelopment also progressing at Crown Street, Flemington and Ormond Street, Kensington

Information for renters at 159 Melrose Street
Information events for residents, friends and family in person and online

First apartment complete at Holland Court

Scan QR code to see the new features

Homes Victoria acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the Traditional Custodians of the land and acknowledges and pays respect to their Elders, past and present.

Pre-demolition works timeline

33 Alfred Street, North Melbourne

2025

1. Learning more and making things safe

- Securing vacant apartments
- Inspecting site and buildings to manage materials safely
- Continuing routine maintenance

2026: We are here

2. Getting ready

- Setting up site and signage for safety
- Checking service connections
- Making access safe for pedestrians, cars and car parking
- Working inside building to make safe and prepare for demolition

3. Demolition

- Installing scaffolding
- Taking out internal fittings
- Taking down building in careful stages
- Regular community updates

33 Alfred Street

Residents currently relocating

Works

- Securing and making safe vacant apartments
- Removing some fixtures from vacant apartments
- Installing security gates due to finish before 16 February

Local Housing Office appointments

The local housing office team are now located at 12 Churchill Avenue, Ascot Vale

You can still contact the North Melbourne team:

- call or email your housing officer as usual
- call or email to make an appointment with your housing officer in North Melbourne
- drop in any time to the Ascot Vale office

Taking small samples of material in vacant apartments, corridors, lift areas and outside walls

- Inspections are starting on external walls
- Inspections will be at the west, east and southern ends of the building with small sections fenced at the ground for safety
- Workers use platforms to move up and down the building avoiding apartments still tenanted
- There will be short periods of minor drilling noises
- Contractors may work some Saturdays to make sure work is complete before Ramadan

Around the precinct

Security upgrades underway

- Contractors and authorities visiting on different days for site walks and inspections
- Checking service connections
- Land surveying for future safety around site boundaries

159 Melrose Street

Next stage of redevelopment

We're here to talk to residents, friends and family about future relocations. Check foyer posters for information event days and times.

Works:

- Testing fire alarms next to lifts on all levels to be complete by 16 February



12 Sutton Street

Future redevelopment

76 Canning Street

Future redevelopment

- Essential repair works underway October 2025 to June 2026
- Workers use platforms to access outside walls
- Workers in corridors, stairwells, laundries and drying rooms
- Protective barriers in place for safety

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Upcoming works and events in North Melbourne

All works are carried out to the highest safety standards and legal requirements.

You may notice:

- some occasional noise and dust and workers using platforms outside building at 76 Canning Street
- Short periods of drilling noise and workers on platforms outside 33 Alfred Street

Our work times are guided by your Council's standard work hours:

Monday to Friday
between 7am and 7pm

Saturday
between 9am and 3pm

Sometimes a council permit is needed to work outside these hours but we will let residents know if this happens.

For more information contact your local housing office:

1300 360 462

northmelbourne.housing@dffh.vic.gov.au

For more information including information in your language visit: **homes.vic.gov.au/information-in-your-language**

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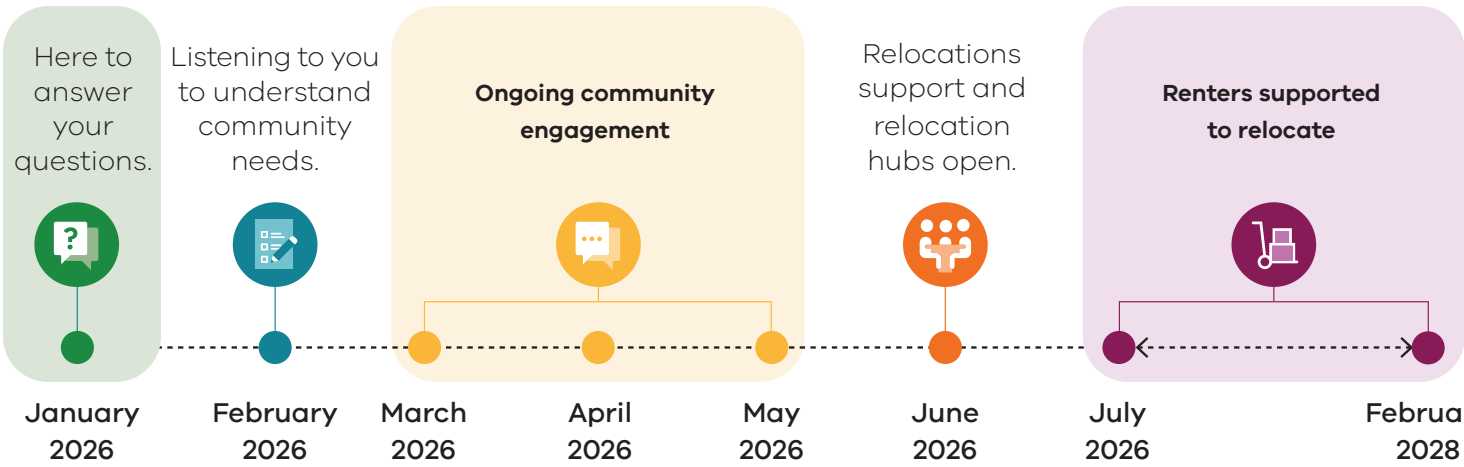
159 Melrose Street is part of the next stage of the high-rise redevelopment

Residents don't need to do anything right now.

From mid-2026 to February 2028 we'll work closely with residents to find a home that meets your needs, including homes nearby.



Later this year we'll be inviting residents at 159 Melrose Street to see the completed apartments at Holland Court, Flemington.



Information events for residents, friends and family

We're here to talk to residents at 159 Melrose Street, as well as friends and family, in person and online. Check foyer posters for event days and times or visit **homes.vic.gov.au/events**.



Staying connected

Information sessions

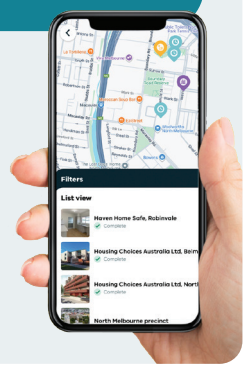
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