

# Plant your feedback on the plan for Miller's Homestead gardens

We have developed a horticultural and landscape plan to guide how we improve and manage the gardens at Miller's Homestead from now and into the future.

Proposed gradual restoration works include:

- Improving the health and vibrancy of the gardens by selecting climate-appropriate plants and introducing more colour
- Removing environmental weeds
- Making the gardens more enjoyable for visitors with new features like a children's garden, an edibles garden and educational plant labels
- Protecting and preserving the historical elements of the gardens
- Incorporating more efficient ways for gardening staff to maintain the site such as drainage improvements and a new irrigation system

Please refer to the artists' impression on the reverse side for more details.

## Why has the plan been developed?

The 10-year plan will improve garden amenity by removing weedy species and creating manageable lawns and garden beds that are easier to maintain and offer a more usable space for relaxation and recreation.

## About Miller's Homestead gardens

Miller's Homestead is a single storey Victorian residence on the corner of Melrose Court and Dorrigo Drive in Boronia and former home of James John Miller, the first President of Ferntree Gully Shire.

The building has been restored and is the best example of the late Victorian 'boom' era architecture of the 1880s in Knox.

The garden was updated in the 1990s but original features such as rockwork and heritage trees have been retained.

## Have Your Say on the draft Horticultural and Landscape Plan

Your feedback is invited on the plan to ensure it meets community needs and expectations.

Access to the plan is available via our Have Your Say website.



[haveyoursay.knox.vic.gov.au/millers-homestead-gardens](https://haveyoursay.knox.vic.gov.au/millers-homestead-gardens)

## How to Have Your Say

### Online

Complete our short survey online via our Have Your Say website.

Visit [haveyoursay.knox.vic.gov.au/millers-homestead-gardens](https://haveyoursay.knox.vic.gov.au/millers-homestead-gardens) or scan the QR code above.

### In writing

Post feedback to:  
Miller's Homestead Horticultural and Landscape Plan  
Green Spaces and Environment Team  
Knox City Council  
Reply Paid 70243  
Wantirna South 3152

### Via phone

Call 9298 8000  
Feedback is open until midnight  
Wednesday 17 December.

### Next Steps

We will use the feedback to finalise the plan. Works to improve the gardens will commence from early 2026.

### Further information

To follow this project and find out more, visit our Have Your say website or contact our Green Spaces and Environment team on 9298 8000.



Entrance garden upgrade and paths

Open lawn area

DORRIGO DRIVE

DORRIGO DRIVE BOUNDARY BED

New eucalypt

DORRIGO DRIVE BOUNDARY BED

Children's garden

Agapanthus mass

Children's garden

Community orchard and berries

Pond garden and camellias

Windmill and pond

MELROSE COURT

MELROSE COURT BOUNDARY BED

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CAMELLIA ROW

RESTAURANT PATH

HOLDSWORTH PATH

HOMESTEAD (PASTORAL REGIONAL LIBRARY)

CENTRAL GARDEN AND ANTIPODEAN BOUNDARY BED

UPPER GARDEN

LAWN STEPPERS

Rotunda

Upper lawn

Upper garden

Staff parking