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Railway reserve greenway project on track

Stage four of a project to create a greenway along the Nedlands section of the rail reserve is now under way.

The City of Nedlands project will revegetate part of the grass verge on the western side, from south of Shenton Park station to north of Karrakatta Street station.

Following the removal of grass weeds and limestone rubble, certified mulch will be laid over the project area – waterwise native trees, shrubs and groundcovers will then be planted in June.

City of Nedlands Mayor Max Hipkins said the project will assist with protecting biodiversity within the City, providing improved habitats for local fauna and increasing local capacity to absorb greenhouse gas emissions.

“Greenways are significant because they link bushlands, parks, cultural and historic sites with each other, as well as urban areas,” he said.

“Native seedlings require significantly less water and don’t require fertiliser, meaning the greenways are easy to care for and maintain.

“Greenways also allow local wildlife to safely forage for food and shelter.”

The City of Nedlands adopted a greenways corridors policy in 2001, following public consultation.

“This ties in with the community-led Our Vision 2030, which says ‘Our bushland, river and beaches will be recognised as healthy ecosystems supporting local wildlife and enjoyed by people’,” Mayor Hipkins said.

“It’s vital we continue to protect our native bushland and create greenways for the long-term survival of our native plants and animals in the City of Nedlands for future generations.”

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greenway: Revegetation will occur on the grass verge from Shenton Park station to Karrakatta Street station.

completed greenway-example: An example of what a completed greenway looks like.

About the City of Nedlands

The City of Nedlands is situated 7km from Perth and stretches from the banks of the Swan River to the edge of the Indian Ocean. A population of more than 21,000 lives in the suburbs of Nedlands, Dalkeith, Mt Claremont, Swanbourne, Karrakatta and parts of Floreat and Shenton Park.

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