

Residents update

McCrae landslide recovery



21 March 2025

Shire update

We would like to reaffirm that community safety remains the highest priority in everything we do. We understand residents from the eight impacted properties are frustrated they are currently unable to return to their home. This is a complex and evolving situation. From the data and information we have so far, there are simply too many risk factors, including the potential for another landslide, to allow people to live in the evacuation zone. We are focussed on investigating the cause(s) of the 14 January landslide, and identifying what works need to be done to make the area safe again.

Geotechnical update

With monitoring continuing in the exclusion zone, please find attached displacement monitoring data for the period 12am 28 February to 11.59pm 6 March 2025. This data is from the GPS sensors, survey prisms, tilt sensors and radar.

Please note, this is raw data only for the period indicated above. We are unable to form opinions from this data as yet – it still needs to be analysed, interpreted and peer reviewed.

Monitoring is continuing and more data is required.

Board of Inquiry

On Tuesday, the state government announced it had appointed Renee Enbom KC to lead the inquiry into the McCrae landslide. The terms of reference were also released, which we have attached.

We welcome this announcement and clarification of the scope of the Inquiry. We will engage fully with the Inquiry and hope it will provide definitive answers for both our community and Council.

Security update

As per our email to residents on Wednesday, Victoria Police have informed us their mobile CCTV trailer on Point Nepean Road has been redeployed on another operational matter.

We continue to have six CCTV units positioned around the site, and physical security remains 24/7.

Works update

You may have seen works happening outside the exclusion zone recently. This has included:

- CCTV pipe inspection of the existing drainage network in the area
- pipe repair of damage identified from the ongoing CCTV pipe inspection
- road repair of damaged section on Coburn Ave next to Charlesworth St
- structural review of the stairs leading from View Point Road
- review of the drainage catchment and stormwater configuration in the area.