

AGE-FRIENDLY VICTORIA DECLARATION



Darebin Council has become a signatory to the Age-friendly Victoria Declaration to reaffirm its long standing commitment to make the city a better place for older people. The Age-friendly Victoria initiative is led by the Victorian Government Department of Health and Human Services.

It aims to promote the inclusion of older people and support services, business and community leaders to better plan for the needs of seniors and enhance the quality of life for people as they age. Darebin Mayor, Kim Le Cerf, said the council has done a lot of great work over many years in these areas through its **Active and Healthy Ageing Strategy 2011 – 2021**. “Signing the declaration is about reaffirming our long held commitment that meeting the needs of older people will continue to be a priority,” she said. “We know active and healthy ageing is more than just delivering services to older people in their homes. It requires all of us to look through an older person’s lens to ensure our services meet their needs,” the Mayor said. Council creates annual action plans to deliver on its ten-year strategy utilising the World Health Organisations’ Age Friendly Cities Framework in the areas of:

- Transport
- Housing
- Social Participation
- Outdoor spaces and buildings
- Respect and social inclusion
- Civic participation and employment
- Communication and information
- Community support and health services.

For more information about the Aged-friendly declaration visit: seniorsonline.vic.gov.au/get-involved/age-friendly-victoria.

Join Council’s Active and Healthy Ageing Advisory Board

The Board is looking for new members to help make Darebin a better place for older people. For more information or to apply to become a Board member, telephone 8470 8339.