



GLEN EIRA  
CITY COUNCIL

# Moorleigh Community Village

A place for all ages to  
connect, grow, volunteer  
and find friendship.



## Acknowledgement of Country

Glen Eira City Council acknowledges the Boon Wurrung/Bunurong and Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung peoples of the Kulin Nation as Traditional Owners and Custodians, and pays respect to their Elders past and present. We acknowledge and uphold their continuing relationship to land and waterways. Council extends its respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

## About Moorleigh Community Village

Moorleigh Community Village offers a wide range of educational, social, and wellbeing activities for all ages and abilities and is a great place to meet and connect with people in your local area.

Housed in the former Moorleigh High School, Moorleigh Community Village is a unique local community facility and open space with beautiful flowering trees and many bird species. There are recreational facilities at the back of the site and an off-leash dog walking area. Moorleigh is home to a range of not-for-profit community groups and is a warm and friendly environment.

## Getting There

Moorleigh Community Village is located at 92 Bignell Road, Bentleigh East. The closest bus routes are the 703 Blackburn – Middle Brighton or the 701 Oakleigh – Bentleigh.

There is on-site bicycle and car parking.



# GLEN EIRA CITY COUNCIL SERVICES — Life Stages

## Community Partnerships

A council officer works on-site to facilitate the interaction between groups and help people to make connections, learn new skills and contribute to their community through volunteering. To find out more contact:

**T:** 03 9524 3848

**E:** [moorleighcommunity@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:moorleighcommunity@gleneira.vic.gov.au)

## Maternal and Child Health Services

Moorleigh Community Village is home to one of Council's Maternal and Child Health Centres (MCHC).

This is a free service for parents and carers with children, from newborns to school aged. The service offers guidance, support and practical information in parenting, maternal health and family wellbeing. New parent groups are held on-site and aim to connect families during this important stage of development, often resulting in long-term friendships.

For more information, contact our Maternal and Child Health service.

**T:** 03 9524 3333



# Healthy and Active Ageing

## Seniors' Community Groups

Moorleigh Community Village is home to various seniors' community groups from diverse backgrounds. The groups meet weekly in a friendly welcoming environment engaging in a range of activities to promote social connections.

For more information on groups, contact our Healthy and Active Ageing Officer.

**T:** 03 9524 3333

**E:** [healthyageing@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:healthyageing@gleneira.vic.gov.au)

**W:** [gleneira.vic.gov.au/services/seniors/health-and-wellbeing/senior-citizen-centres](http://gleneira.vic.gov.au/services/seniors/health-and-wellbeing/senior-citizen-centres)

**“It’s wonderful to be able to come together locally with people who come from the same district in beautiful Greece. We share a meal together and laugh and talk in our language.”**  
– The Argos and District Australian Greek Senior Citizens Club of Kastoria Inc.



## RESIDENT NOT-FOR-PROFIT GROUPS

### Bayside Community Emergency Relief

Bayside Community Emergency Relief provides specific items in emergency situations. They help community members in need and support the broader community to assist others in an appropriate way. Care packs are provided to those who are homeless, fleeing family violence and those experiencing the effects of floods fires, house fires and other emergencies.

**Opening hours:** Seven days, no set hours.

**Who can join:** Anyone can assist in packing emergency items. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

**Location:** Barry Neve (Centre Wing)

**E:** [contact@baysidecommunityemergencyrelief.com.au](mailto:contact@baysidecommunityemergencyrelief.com.au)

**W:** [baysidecommunityemergencyrelief.com.au](http://baysidecommunityemergencyrelief.com.au)



### Bentmoor Community Men's Shed

The Bentmoor Community Men's Shed is an informal venue where men aged 18 and over can spend time together to share their skills and experiences.

They also have a women's program, mixed sessions and cater for special interest groups. The venue provides a safe environment that encourages social inclusion and facilitates activities for the enjoyment of all.

**Who can join:** Anybody over 18.

**Location:** Glen Eira Community Shed

**T:** 0481 369 191

**E:** [bentmoorms@outlook.com](mailto:bentmoorms@outlook.com)

**W:** [www.bentmoormensshed.org.au](http://www.bentmoormensshed.org.au)

“The Bentmoor Men's Shed provides a supportive, safe and caring environment for men of all ages, from any backgrounds and with any level of ability to interact and form friendships. The kettle is always hot and a few biscuits are always available to be shared over a chat.”





## Chatty Cafe

Moongala Women's Community House hosts weekly *Chatty Cafe* sessions during the school term. Drop by for a cuppa and a chat.

The *Chatty Cafe* helps connect communities and increase social interactions by bringing people together for casual, friendly conversation.

**W:** [www.chattycafeaustralia.org.au/find-a-chatty-table](http://www.chattycafeaustralia.org.au/find-a-chatty-table)

## Glen Eira Cheltenham Art Group

The Glen Eira Cheltenham Art Group offers affordable membership and class fees for a range of painting and drawing techniques. There are classes for beginners and more advanced students with professional tutors in each class. You can work in a friendly relaxed atmosphere and enjoy participating in a creative activity. There are art classes for both adults and children.

**Opening hours:** Monday–Saturday, class times vary.

**Who can join:** Anyone over eight-years-old.

**Location:** Bob Flavell (South Wing)

**T:** 0422 948 894

**E:** [gecaginc@gmail.com](mailto:gecaginc@gmail.com)

**W:** [gcartgroup.com.au](http://gcartgroup.com.au)



## East Bentleigh Village Garden

The East Bentleigh Village Garden offers education and skill sharing of sustainable garden practices. The group is inclusive and welcomes gardeners of all ages and abilities. Through their activities they promote social connection and interaction with the community.

**Opening hours:** The garden is open to the public to walk through seven days a week.

Working bees are held on the first and third Saturday of the month and a plant sale is held on the fourth Saturday of the month (alongside the East Bentleigh Farmers Market).

**Who can join:** Anyone can join — children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult under a Family Membership.

**Location:** Rear of the Village between the Centre and South Wings

**T:** 0484 131 708

**E:** [info@ebvg.org.au](mailto:info@ebvg.org.au)

**W:** [ebvg.org.au](http://ebvg.org.au)

“The gardens and birdlife add something special to each visit to Moorleigh Community Village.”



## MiCare Multicultural Social Support Group

MiCare encourages participants to feel empowered and connected to the community. Participants gather to enjoy gentle exercise, music and storytelling, board games, crafts, outings and excursions, and celebrations of culturally significant events.

**Opening hours:** Monday to Thursday, 9am–5pm.

**Who can join:** Culturally and linguistically diverse seniors aged over 65. People outside of this age group are encouraged to enquire.

**Location:** Chris Koutoumas (North Wing)

**T:** 0405 226 265

**E:** [lydia.chan@micare.com.au](mailto:lydia.chan@micare.com.au)

**W:** [www.micare.com.au](http://www.micare.com.au)

## Moorabbin Area Toy Library

The Moorabbin Toy Library offers a wide variety of toys, games and equipment for young children which can be borrowed by members for a low annual fee. Party packs are also available for members and non-members. Occasionally the Library runs special events and *Come and Play* days.

**Opening hours:** Wednesday 7pm–9pm,  
Friday 10am–11.30am, Saturday 10am–1pm.

**Who can join:** Families from across Glen Eira and surrounding suburbs.

**Location:** Barry Neve (Centre Wing)

**E:** [moortoylib@gmail.com](mailto:moortoylib@gmail.com)

**W:** [moorabbinareatoylibrary.com](http://moorabbinareatoylibrary.com)



## Moongala Women's Community House

Moongala is a warm, welcoming, nurturing Community House — a place to learn and share skills. Learn computer skill, how to sew, crochet, knit and cook or relax and play some games.

**Opening hours:** Monday to Thursday, 9.15am–3.15pm.

**Who can join:** All are welcome.

**Location:** Bob Flavell (South Wing)

**T:** 03 9570 3468

**E:** [admin@moongala.org.au](mailto:admin@moongala.org.au)

**W:** [www.moongala.org.au](http://www.moongala.org.au)

**“Being a part of the Village gives us a sense of purpose and has broadened our circle of friends. We’re learning and having fun. We have a wonderful sense of belonging.”**

— Moongala participants



## Moorleigh Ceramics Co-operative

Moorleigh Ceramics Co-op is a professional ceramic artist studio with a 30-year tradition. The Co-op promotes the advancement of the ceramic arts via community education and exhibitions. The Co-op offers a firing service, *Clay in a Day* workshops and artist talks. The Co-op also participates in the *Australian Ceramic Association National Open Studio Scheme* in November each year.

**Opening hours:** Hours vary — contact via email if you wish to meet any of the artists.

**Location:** Bob Flavell (South Wing)

**E:** moorleighceramics@gmail.com

“The interactions with the community attending our events bring a great personal satisfaction. Being a part of Moorleigh Village makes one feel more connected with the community. The activity is a side issue, it is the doing things together that is the key.”  
— Ceramics Co-operative member



## 88.3 Southern FM

An FM radio station providing the local community with a voice and coverage of events and issues relevant to the local area, not easily found on commercial radio stations.

**Opening hours:** Broadcasting 24/7.  
Contact during business hours.

**Who can join:** Anyone with an interest in community radio.

**Location:** Barry Neve (Centre Wing)

**T:** 03 9088 6466

**E:** info@southernfm.com.au

**W:** southernfm.com.au

## Taraleigh Steiner Playgroup

The Taraleigh Steiner Playgroup is a wonderful opportunity for parents and young children to come together in a kinder-like environment. It gives parents time to meet and talk with other parents and children. As a Steiner Playgroup, the children are encouraged to play with wooden toys or other natural materials while the parents are encouraged to participate in crafts.

**Opening hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 9.30am–11.30am.

**Who can join:** The starting age is from six months.

**Location:** Barry Neve (Centre Wing)

**T:** 03 9570 2246

**E:** taraleighplaygroup@gmail.com

**W:** taraleighpreschool.org/playgroup-1



## Thalassaemia and Sickle Cell Australia (TASCA)

TASCA advocates, on behalf of Australians living with a genetic blood disorder and their families, for equitable access to the best care and support as well as adequate funding for impactful research into the treatment of haemoglobin disorders.

**Opening hours:** Monday to Friday, 9.30am–5pm.

**Location:** Barry Neve (Centre Wing)

**T:** (03) 7015 5637

**E:** info@tasca.org.au

**W:** tasca.org.au

## Victorian State Emergency Service, Glen Eira Unit

VicSES Glen Eira Unit is a volunteer emergency service that responds to storm and flood-related emergencies.

**Opening hours:** 24/7. Training Mondays, 7pm–10pm.

**Who can join:** Anyone over 18-years-old.

**Location:** Chris Koutoumas (North Wing)

**E:** gleneira@ses.vic.gov.au



## U3A Bentleigh

U3A (University of the Third Age) Bentleigh have volunteers with expertise and experience who run sessions on languages, computers, history, arts, board games, discussion groups, science and much more. U3A also run classes for mental, physical and social stimulation.

**Opening hours:** Monday to Friday, 10am–3pm.

**Who can join:** Retired or semi-retired people over 55 years of age.

**Location:** Barry Neve (Centre Wing)

**T:** 03 9570 3929

**E:** office@u3abentleigh.org.au

**W:** u3abentleigh.org.au

**“I volunteer, which is an opportunity to gain new skills, be a part of a team and expand a feeling of self-worth. It’s very good for my wellbeing.” — U3A volunteer**



## WANT TO HIRE A ROOM AT MOORLEIGH COMMUNITY VILLAGE?

Residents and businesses can hire facilities on a casual basis for meetings, training sessions or functions. The available rooms are ideal for seminars, presentations, exercise, dance, yoga or karate classes. To find out more, contact one of our Facility Booking Officers.

**T:** 03 9524 3333

**E:** [venues@gleneira.vic.gov.au](mailto:venues@gleneira.vic.gov.au)

## ACTIVE RECREATION

Behind the buildings of Moorleigh Community Village, sits ample opportunity for sport and recreation.

Home to:

- Maccabi Tennis Club.
- Moorabbin Cricket Club.
- Southern Metro Junior Football Club.

In 2019, Moorleigh Community Village opened its one-of-a-kind multipurpose sports facility. This facility provided cricket nets during summer and a multipurpose space in winter for a diverse array of recreation activities.

For more information regarding the multipurpose facility, including the booking process, visit the Glen Eira City Council website [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au)

**“The variety of tenants has resulted in a place that offers an impressive range of services that covers all age groups. Coming to Moorleigh is a happy place to be.”**



**“There are so many options for different sports here. I love using the cricket nets and it’s always fun to watch the tennis club playing.” — local resident**



## DOG ON-LEASH AND OFF-LEASH INFORMATION

The main sportsground and around the buildings at Moorleigh Community Village are on-leash areas.

The area behind the sports pavilion, next to the golf course and tennis courts, is off-leash.

Dogs must be on-leash within 20 metres of barbecues and picnic areas, children's playgrounds, sports and recreation facilities, both public and sporting events (includes set up and take down), and any park maintenance activities.

Dogs are not permitted within fenced playgrounds and sports and recreation facilities including the cricket nets and multi-purpose court.

See map on the back page for dog areas. Please remember to clean up after your dog.

“My dog loves to come to the oval here for a good run around. There is so much off-leash space that he really gets a chance to exercise and socialise with other dogs.”

— Lia, local dog owner



BIGNELL ROAD

## Moorleigh Community Village 92 Bignell Road Bentleigh East

BIGNELL ROAD



Car Park

Chris Koutoumas  
(North Wing)

Community  
Shed

Barry Neve (Centre Wing)

East  
Bentleigh  
Village  
Garden

Bob Flavell (South Wing)



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Garden



Bob Flavell (South Wing)



Moorleigh  
Pavilion

Multipurpose  
Sports Court



East Bentleigh  
Primary School

Oval 1

Yarra  
Yarra  
Golf Club

 Dogs on-leash area

 Dogs off-leash area

 Car Park

 Path