# **Community update**

# Blind Creek footbridge at Fairpark Reserve

### July 2024

#### Works on footbridge are completed

We are pleased to let you know that the works to strengthen and extend the life of the Blind Creek footbridge at Fairpark Reserve are now complete.

The bridge is open and detours around the Blind Creek Trail have been removed.

#### **Works completed**

We are very aware of how much the community value and use the bridge.

Since the works commenced in late April, Melbourne Water, in partnership with Knox City Council, has worked to reopen the bridge as soon as possible.

Works included construction of:

- 8 new reinforced concrete cast in-situ bored piles
- 4 new pile caps connecting the new piles with existing piles
- 8 steel columns.



Looking south west along the footbridge at Fairpark Reserve



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Temporary fencing around the laydown area will be maintained for site reinstatement works until mid-October 2024 as per the map below.

# **Project Map**



# Long-term plans

These works are a temporary solution until a new bridge can be designed and built.

We are working closely with Knox City Council on plans for longer term arrangements to deliver a new bridge. We'll continue to keep you updated with this next stage.

Thank you for your continued patience and co-operation.





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