

Asbestos Concerns – Cairnlea



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Authority Victoria

The Victorian Government is responding to community concerns relating to asbestos in Cairnlea relating to illegally deposited construction and demolition waste materials containing asbestos at 93 Furlong Road, Cairnlea.

The waste, which has tested positive for asbestos, it is likely or believed to be from the Corkman Irish Pub in Carlton that was illegally demolished by the site owners.

The Victorian Government is working closely with Brimbank City Council to keep the community informed of the steps being taken to investigate and respond to these concerns.

Key facts:

- Asbestos found in deposited demolition waste at Cairnlea is in the form of broken asbestos cement sheeting which is not easily airborne.
- Risk to residents' health from any current exposure to asbestos in deposited demolition waste at the Cairnlea site is low risk.

Actions to date

Environment Protection Authority Victoria (EPA) issued a notice to the site owner to ensure immediate action was taken to minimise and manage any potential risks related to exposure to asbestos present in the waste on site.

EPA also requires the site owner to engage a suitably qualified asbestos consultant to conduct air monitoring, assess the premises and produce an asbestos management plan, which details both the on-site management and the safe removal of the asbestos contamination.

As further precautionary measures EPA instructed the site owner to:

- Wet down any dust present in deposited construction and demolition waste;
- Put up signage around the boundary of the Cairnlea property advising that asbestos is present at the site;
- Cover the waste with tarp by 4pm, Thursday 27 October.

Next steps

EPA Victoria will continue to work with the community to understand and address their concerns and ensure all possible steps are taken to protect the community's future health and wellbeing.



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Further information

For further information, please call **1300 372 842 (1300 EPA VIC)**.

Information on how to live safely with asbestos is available from <http://www.asbestos.vic.gov.au/>

Download a copy of the enHealth Asbestos guide from <http://www.health.gov.au/> or pick up a copy from Brimbank City Council.

If you have concerns about your health, speak to your doctor.



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