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Newtown

Newtown is an inner western suburb of Geelong – less than one hour’s drive from Melbourne and occupies one of the highest points of suburban Geelong. Without doubt, Newtown is a very exclusive pocket of Geelong and is home to some of the regions’ oldest and most desirable properties. Chilwell is a small pocket of Newtown and both were a municipality from 1858 - 1993 when it then became an amalgamation under the City of Greater Geelong.

If you live in Newtown you’ll relate to some of the key highlights of the region. And if you are considering moving in, we’d love to share some of Newtown’s diamonds!

Newtown’s education offerings are extensive – from the reputable Chilwell Primary School, Newtown Primary or Fyans Park, the primary school offerings are highly regarded. These days, most primary schools are zoned, meaning you need to rent / purchase in the area to access the facilities.

From a private school perspective, Newtown is home to the highly regarded Geelong College, Sacred Heart (girls) and St Josephs (boys). St Josephs has an impressive list of AFL successes pass through their grounds; names such as Jimmy Bartel, Shaun Higgins, Cameron Ling, Matthew Scarlett, Luke Dahlhaus and Barry Stoneham to name a few. Oh, and even a very successful singer in Xavier Rudd!

Newtown is a stone’s throw from Kardinia Park, a recently renovated AFL ground and one of the few ‘suburban’ AFL grounds still in operation. The locals love being able to walk to the ground to see their beloved Cats play and train.

One of the things we love here at Whitford is the selection of pubs in Newtown. Everyone in town knows of The Diggers (aka Gold Diggers Hotel), nestled in the back streets of Newtown, it holds significant historical value to the area, has avoided the need to install Pokies and even shuttles the locals to the ground when the Cats are playing. Another pre-AFL gameday favourite is the Sawyers Arms, also referred to as ‘Klats’ was built in 1850 and still retains its absolute old-world charm. Eileen Clatworthy took over the lease in 1958 and the property is heritage listed ensuring the beautiful Federation style façade will always remain.

One of the region’s favourite properties is The Heights in Aphrasia Street, Newtown. This home was made to order in Hamburg, Germany and then exported to Australia where it was assembled in 1855 for Charles Ibbotson. In 1975, it was bequeathed to the National Trust where everyone can now enjoy the absolutely stunning property.

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Another aspect of Newtown which is loved by the locals is the parks and gardens. The Barwon River flows through Newtown and nestled amongst the river are many parks, lakes, tracks and even a brand-new BMX course.

The median property price for houses in Newtown is \$705,000 and for units is \$410,000 which is seeing more and more families move from Melbourne to enjoy the higher-value-for money property on offer. With Melbourne's median house price approaching \$1million, Newtown offers larger blocks of land, a high proportion of period properties and less high-density housing and many Melbourne families are enjoying better homes and adding some money to their bank balance.

Whitford loves Newtown and we are super confident you will too. Contact Dale Whitford to find out what's to love about Newtown.