

Barkly Street CBD, Ararat

Proposed parking upgrades 2026



Tell us what you think!

Ararat Rural City Council is inviting community feedback on proposed changes to parking in Barkly Street, designed to make it easier for shoppers, people with accessibility needs, couriers, and longer vehicles to park in the Ararat CBD.

The proposed adjustments follow a review of existing parking arrangements by Council in response to changing patterns of use in the central shopping strip.

Summary of recommended parking changes

Under the proposal, Barkly Street would provide a total of 206 car parking spaces, including:

- 11 accessible bays (increase of 3)
- 8 loading bays (decrease of 2)
- 2 motorcycle bays (decrease of 1)
- 2 bays for vehicles over six metres in length (increase of 1)
- 1 taxi bay (decrease of 1)

These changes build on the existing free parking arrangements in the CBD, which are intended to support local traders and make it easier for people to come into town to do their shopping and access professional services.

We welcome your feedback on these proposed changes.

FEEDBACK CLOSES

Friday 30 April, 2026

HOW TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK

Please go to engage.ararat.vic.gov.au/barkly-street-cbd-parking-changes and:

1. See a map of the proposed changes (downloadable PDF)
2. Add a marker to the blank interactive map with your comment about the changes.



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