

The Growing Suburbs Fund is a contribution towards meeting critical local infrastructure needs for communities in Melbourne's diverse and fast-growing outer suburbs. It is positioned to quickly respond to the pressures being experienced by interface communities by bringing forward local infrastructure projects that will make a big difference in the day-to-day lives of outer suburban families.



### STAN PAYNE RESERVE

1286-1292 Old Calder Highway, Diggers Rest 3427

**Background:** The Growing Suburbs Fund will partner with Melton City Council to upgrade Stan Payne Reserve into an attractive, functional open space that will address the social and recreational needs of the community.

The upgrade works will enhance the overall appearance of the reserve, creating a gateway to the Diggers Rest township.

The upgrade works at Stan Payne Reserve will deliver the following:

- Natural and artificial shade facilities
- Upgrade existing shelter and toilet facilities
- Improve pedestrian connections
- Upgrade and install historical local art and improve signage
- Landscape works, plantings and shade trees

The City of Melton is located approximately 40 kilometres west of central Melbourne and is considered one of the fastest growing interface councils. In 2017, the City of Melton had a growth rate of 5 per cent compared with the national average growth of 1.6 per cent. It is anticipated that Melton's population will more than double between 2017 and 2041<sup>1</sup>.

Strong residential growth is expected to continue, with a number of new suburbs such as Aintree, Fraser Rise and Hillside currently under development.

<sup>1</sup> Victoria in the Future, 2016 <http://profile.id.com.au/melton1>



# GROWING SUBURBS FUND 2018-19

**Expected date of commencement:** August 2019

**Expected date of completion:** April 2020

**Total Project Cost:** \$800,000

**Growing Suburbs Fund:** \$400,000

**Other contributions:** Melton City Council \$400,000

**Other project in Melton City Council to receive funding from the 2018-19 Growing Suburbs Fund are:**

- Eynesbury Recreation Reserve (\$2,075,000)
- Caroline Springs Town Centre Sports Precinct Community Pavilion (\$1,055,000)
- Morton Homestead Play Space (\$265,000)
- Marlo Drive Reserve (\$440,000)
- Bloomsbury Drive Play Space (\$405,000)
- Arbour Boulevard Reserve (\$355,000)

Melton City Council will receive a total of \$4,995,000 for seven projects under the Growing Suburbs Fund 2018-19 Round.

Growing Suburbs Fund contributes to a mix of infrastructure projects that have a direct benefit to communities living in the outer suburbs.

You can find out about other Growing Suburbs Fund Projects at [localgovernment.vic.gov.au/gsf](http://localgovernment.vic.gov.au/gsf)

For more information regarding these projects contact Local Infrastructure, DELWP.

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