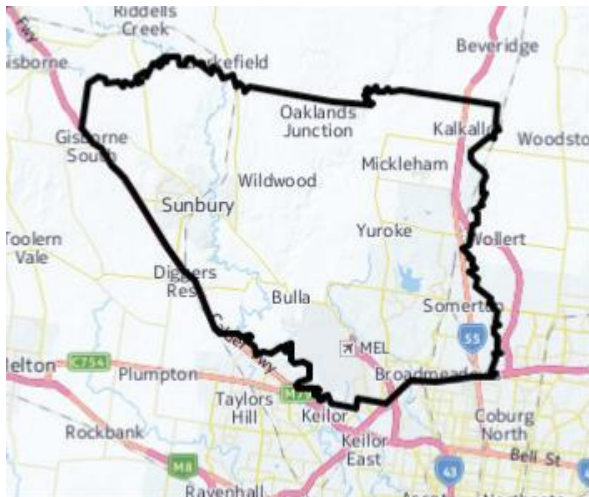


Growing Suburbs Fund 2020-21 Round 2

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 and peri-urban communities by bringing forward local infrastructure projects that will make a big difference in the day-to-day lives of outer suburban families.

Hume City Council



Hume City Council is a growing, urban fringe municipality about 20 km from the Melbourne Central Business District. The southern parts of the city are well-established urban areas while the north remains rural in character. It has a young population, with 31 per cent of residents under 18 years of age.

Hume City Council is experiencing significant growth at a rate of 4.3 per cent in 2018 - outstripping the national average growth rate of 1.6 per cent. The resident population in Hume City Council estimated at 224,400 in June 2018 is projected to grow by 53 per cent, to about 344,000 by 2036.¹

MERRIFIELD WEST SOUTHERN COMMUNITY CENTRE

Edson and Brossard Roads, Mickleham 3064

The Growing Suburbs Fund will assist Hume City Council to deliver an innovative community centre which will include the following:

- 2 preschool rooms
- 4 MCH/visiting specialist consulting rooms
- multipurpose activity rooms
- flexible art/cultural/community space
- kitchen and office space and
- a storage shed.

This project demonstrates council's commitment to ensuring that early years facilities will meet the needs of the rapidly growing community of Merrifield South and that new residents have access to quality community space.

Expected date of commencement: February 2022

Expected date of completion: October 2023

Total Project Cost: \$7,415,957

Growing Suburbs Fund: \$2,000,000

Other contributions:

- Hume City Council: \$4,915,597
- Victorian Government - Building Better Regions Fund: \$500,000

The other projects in Hume City Council to receive funding from the Growing Suburbs Fund 2020-21 Round 2 are:

- Mount Holden Tail Development Stage 1 (\$500,000)
- Seabrook Reserve Community Hub (\$1,500,000)

¹ Victoria in the Future, 2019

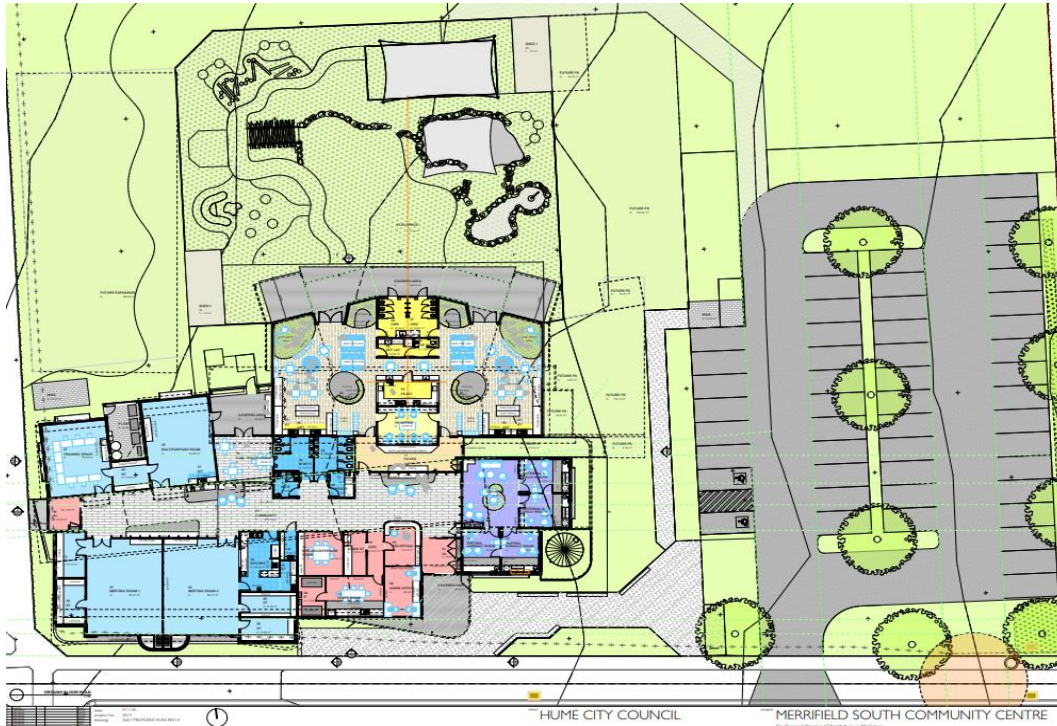


Figure 1 – Concept design

You can find out about other Growing Suburbs Fund projects at <https://www.localgovernment.vic.gov.au/grants/growing-suburbs-fund>

For more information regarding these projects contact the GSF team at gsf@ecodev.vic.gov.au

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