

Growing Suburbs Fund 2021-22

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.

Casey City Council



Casey City Council is located in Melbourne's south-eastern suburbs, between 28 and 60 km from the Melbourne Central Business District. It is one of the fastest growing interface councils.

Casey City Council is part of the interface council area and recorded a growth rate of 3% in 2019-20. ¹The population is projected to grow from 364,600 in 2020 to about 522,251 or 43.2% per cent by 2036. ²

Victoria's population has witnessed a considerable slow-down in growth due to COVID and a pause in overseas migration. This is mostly felt in the inner/middle suburbs of Melbourne but is still evident in outer suburbs.

¹ ABS Regional Population Growth March 2022

² Victoria in Future, 2019

Ray Bastin Reserve Redevelopment Project

2-141 Norfolk Drive, Narre Warren

The Growing Suburbs Fund will assist Casey City Council to deliver a revitalised regional park catering to diverse and changing community needs with a focus on all ages, abilities, and cultures. This project will have a focus on seniors and intergenerational play to enhance recreation and social connection opportunities for the Casey community.

The project scope will include:

- A redevelopment of the existing playspace to include resurfacing and recreation elements
- New and refurbished playground equipment, inclusive of an all abilities DDA compliant play area
- New amenities and shelters, inclusive of BBQ, picnic, and seating provisions
- Upgrades to the existing skate park, BMX track and kick about space
- Improved connection to country and culture through native vegetation, play and exploration, reflection, and storytelling areas
- Shared path linkages and supporting infrastructure
- Public art and way find signage.

Expected date of commencement: February 2023

Expected date of completion: June 2023

Total Project Cost: \$3,095,400

Growing Suburbs Fund: \$1,600,000

Other contributions:

- Casey City Council: \$1,495,400

The other projects in the City of Casey to receive funding from the Growing Suburbs Fund 2021-22 are:

- Gwendoline Children’s Centre Upgrade (\$926,000)
- Tooradin Public Hall Upgrade (\$350,000)
- Myuna Farm Pavilion Improvements that support People living with Disabilities (\$351,105)

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LEGEND

A - MAIN PLAY SPACE AREA	 - PROJECT BOUNDARY
B - NATURE/ SENSORY PLAY AREA	 - PRIMARY ACCESS BOULEVARD
C - YOUTH PLAY AREA	
D - BMX PLAY AREA	
E - SKATING AREA	
F - LAWN AREAS	
G - ACCESSIBILITY PATH NETWORK	
H - REUSE /REFURBISH/ART	
I - CHANGING PLACES TOILET	
J - ACTIVATION ZONE (ALL AGES PLAY)	
K - BALL PLAY ZONES	
L - MULTIPURPOSE SPACES	
M - WATER SENSITIVE DESIGN	
N - EXISTING CARPARK	
O - PROPOSED NEW JUNIOR AREA	
P - COMMUNITY SPACE	
R - CONNECTION TO COUNTRY SPACE	

Figure 1: Design Intention

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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