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.

**BROOKSIDE COMMUNITY PAVILION**

72 – 80 Caroline Springs Boulevard, Caroline Springs 3023

**Background:** The Growing Suburbs Fund will assist Melton City Council to expand and upgrade the existing community sports pavilion at Brookside Recreation Reserve in Caroline Springs.

This project will address the provision of female friendly sporting facilities across the municipality as well as responding to the growing demands of soccer participation levels in the local Caroline Springs community.

Works will include the extension and upgrade of the community social space and kitchen, a new meeting room, two universally designed female friendly change rooms with player amenities. There will also be upgrade of the male and female amenities to make them more accessible and designed for everyone for maximum use.

Melton City Council is located approximately 40 kilometres west of central Melbourne and is one of the fastest growing interface councils.

In 2018, Melton City Council had a growth rate of 5.4 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 2018 and 2036.¹

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

¹ Victoria in the Future, 2019
Expected date of commencement: October 2020
Expected date of completion: August 2021

Total Project Cost: $1,300,000
Growing Suburbs Fund: $850,000
Other contributions: Melton City Council $450,000

Other project in Melton City Council to receive funding from the 2019-20 Growing Suburbs Fund are:
- Melton Recycling Facility ($3,000,000)
- Eynesbury Station Early Learning Centre ($1,500,000)

Melton City Council received a total of $5,350,000 for three projects under the Growing Suburbs Fund 2019-20 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

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

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Figure 1 – Brookside Community Pavilion location (Melton City Council)

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