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.

The Cardinia Shire Council is located on Melbourne’s south-east fringe and is about 55 km from the Melbourne Central Business District. The population in Cardinia has been growing steadily and in 2017, it recorded a five per cent growth rate, surpassing the national average of 1.6 per cent. The population is projected to grow from 102,000 in 2017 to 185,387 in 2036. The largest increment in age structure in the next 10 years is forecasted to be 51 per cent of those under working age.


CARDINIA CULTURAL CENTRE REDEVELOPMENT

40 Lakeside Boulevard, Pakenham VIC 3810

Project Description: The Growing Suburbs Fund will help the Cardinia Shire Council redevelop and extend the Cardinia Culture Centre into a purpose-built arts and cultural centre to meet the needs of the rapidly growing community of Pakenham.

This project will deliver a high-quality venue for social events, with accessible and affordable arts programs that entertain, educate and encourage community participation.

The redevelopment and extension of the Centre will include:

- A dedicated arts-space
- Meeting space
- Dance studios
- New amenities
- Improved access
- Additional storage
- A new second entry
- Forecourt improvements
- Expanded car parking
Expected completion: August 2019

Total Project Cost: $8,920,217

Growing Suburbs Fund: $3,000,000

Other Contribution:
- Cardinia Shire Council $5,920,217

Other projects in Cardinia Shire Council to receive funding from the 2017-18 Growing Suburbs Fund:
- Hills Hub - Emerald Community Centre ($1,500,000)
- James Bathe Recreation Reserve ($500,000)

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

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