

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 2018, it recorded a 4.6 per cent growth rate, surpassing the national average of 1.6 per cent.

The population is projected to grow from 107,100 in 2018 to 177,900 in 2036, with the largest increases projected for parents and children age groups (0 to 19 and 30 to 44).<sup>1</sup>

### MY PLACE YOUTH FACILITY EXPANSION AND RELOCATION

41 James Street, Pakenham 3810

**Project Description:** The Growing Suburbs Fund will help Cardinia Shire Council to relocate and expand the My Place Youth Facility that is currently at capacity and limiting the ability of Council to meet the existing and future health and wellbeing needs of young people and families in the Shire.

The Facility is the base for a range of youth and community organisations, Government bodies and education providers providing prevention and intervention approaches that are enabling young people to develop resilience and coping strategies, engage/reengage into education, training and work, improve relationships with family, friends, professionals and ensure safety and protection via specialist services.

The project will deliver a 2-storey building with roof top. The new facility will include a main reception, 15 consultation/counselling rooms, formal waiting area, informal 'hang out space', IT Room, flexible programmable room, kitchen and kitchenette, toilet/shower amenities including accessible and ambulant, meeting room, open space office, reflection room, 2 Class/training rooms and storage.

The roof top recreation activity area will provide an ambient external seating area with garden features, BBQ area, partially shaded, container for storage and half-court basketball court.

<sup>1</sup> Victoria in the Future, 2019

# GROWING SUBURBS FUND 2019-20

**Expected date of commencement:** October 2020

**Expected date of completion:** December 2021

**Total Project Cost:** \$6,080,000

**Growing Suburbs Fund:** \$3,000,000

**Other contributions:**

- Cardinia Shire Council (\$1,580,000)
- Federal Government Department of Health - Community Health and Hospitals Program (\$1,500,000)

**The other project in Cardinia Shire to receive funding from the Growing Suburbs Fund 2019-20 is:**

- Officer District Park (\$2,200,000)
- Officer South Integrated Child and Family Centre (\$1,500,000)

Cardinia Shire Council will receive a total of \$6,700,000 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](http://localgovernment.vic.gov.au/gsf)

For more information regarding these projects contact Local Infrastructure, DELWP. Email: [gsf@delwp.vic.gov.au](mailto:gsf@delwp.vic.gov.au) or phone: 9948 8536



**Figure 1 : Concept Plan (Cardinia Shore Council)**

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