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.

EYNESBURY STATION EARLY LEARNING CENTRE
Corner of St Arnaud Road and Eynesbury Road, Eynesbury 3338

Background: The Growing Suburbs Fund will assist Melton City Council to bring forward provisions of early years, children and youth facilities into the council’s most isolated town in Eynesbury.

This project is designed in conjunction with the Victorian Government’s Department of Education & Training (DET) (Victorian School Building Authority). The partnership provides a benefit to the community by co-locating an early learning centre, a public primary school and an active open space. This precinct approach assists in delivering a truly accessible suite of services to the community.

The project will deliver two core 33 place kindergarten rooms with dedicated play space, maternal child health office and waiting area, professional consultation offices to service community requirements, four hot desks for staff, car parking and landscape works.

The expected benefits include bringing children’s services together in one co-located site within the isolated township providing much needed community meeting space for community groups and users to meet health, well-being and social outcomes.

1 Victoria in the Future, 2019
**Expected date of commencement:** March 2020  
**Expected date of completion:** March 2021  

**Total Project Cost:** $3,400,000  
**Growing Suburbs Fund:** $1,500,000  
**Other contributions:**
- Melton City Council $204,128  
- Victorian Government – DET’s Children’s Facilities Capital Program $1,695,872

**Other project in Melton City Council to receive funding from the 2019-20 Growing Suburbs Fund are:**
- Melton Recycling Facility ($3,000,000)  
- Brookside Community Pavilion ($850,000)

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 – Eynesbury Station Early Learning Centre Schematic Plan (Melton City Council)**

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