Wyndham City Council is located on the western edge of Melbourne with Werribee at its commercial heart. It was one of the fastest growing interface councils in 2017 in Melbourne, with a population growth rate of 6.1 per cent compared with the national growth average of 1.6 per cent. The population is expected to rise by 50 per cent, in excess of 360,000, by 2031.

Wyndham City Council features major tourism attractions including the Werribee Park and Mansion, Werribee Open Range Zoo, State Rose Garden and RAAF Museum. The council area has a residential and rural zone, with substantial industrial, technological and commercial areas. Rural land is used mainly for commercial vegetable growing and grazing.

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.

UPGRADE OF FRIAR PLACE PARK

10 Friar Park, Point Cook

Background: The Growing Suburbs Fund will help Wyndham City Council to Upgrade Friar Place Park in Point Cook. The Victorian Government’s 2018-19 Growing Suburbs Fund will provide $200,000 to the improvement of this Park. Wyndham City Council will also contribute $200,000 toward this partnership project.

This project will bring forward a re-design of Friar Place Park into the same standard as the new subdivisions, which is more accessible and has the appropriate amenity for all ages to enjoy being in the park. This upgrade will create an open space where currently there is an under supply of recreation space in this community.

The upgrade will see a transformation of a barren site into a park with improved access with formalised concrete paths, nature play, a diversity of play options including basketball space and play equipment to cater for a wider range of users, picnic tables and grassed kickabout area to enable the community to enjoy a passive recreation area and stay outdoors for a longer period.

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1 Australian Bureau of Statistics 2017
Expected date of commencement: June 2019  
Expected date of completion: December 2019

Total Project Cost: $400,000  
Growing Suburbs Fund: $200,000  
Other contributions:  
• Wyndham City Council - $200,000

Other projects in Wyndham City Council to receive funding from the 2018/19 Growing Suburbs Fund are:  
• Grange Community Centre & Reserve Enhancement ($1,000,000)  
• Central Park Redevelopment, Hoppers Crossing ($425,000)  
• Upgrade of Golden Square Reserve ($325,000)  
• Wyndham Street Surfer Bus ($1,000,000)  
• Former Glen Devon School Site Reactivation, Werribee ($870,000)

Wyndham City Council will receive a total of $3,820,000 for six projects under the Growing Suburbs Fund 2018-19 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  
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