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.

BANCHORY GREEN RESERVE UPGRADE
34-42 Banchory Grove, Hillside 3037

The Growing Suburbs Fund will assist Melton City Council to deliver a true community space that will reduce social isolation by providing a space for residents of Hillside to exercise, play and socialise. By enhancing the existing reserve that will be accessible for all ages and providing new infrastructure will positively contribute to improved health and well-being outcomes within the Hillside community.

This project will include:
- Improve reserve layout
- Upgrade footpath network
- Improve grass surface
- Upgrade play spaces equipment
- Increase tree canopy to grow shade cast

Expected date of commencement: June 2022
Expected date of completion: October 2022

Total Project Cost: $704,000
Growing Suburbs Fund: $352,000
Other contributions:
- Melton City Council $352,000

The other projects in Melton City Council to receive funding from the Growing Suburbs Fund 2020-21 Round 2 are:
- Mt Atkinson Active Open Space Precinct ($2,580,000)
- Mt Atkinson Children’s and Community Centre ($800,000)

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\(^{1}\) Victoria in Future, 2019
You can find out about other Growing Suburbs Fund projects at https://www.localgovernment.vic.gov.au/grants/growing-suburbs-fund

For more information regarding these projects contact the GSF team at gsf@ecodev.vic.gov.au

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