## **Growing Suburbs Fund 2020-21 Round 2**

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 and peri-urban communities by bringing forward local infrastructure projects that will make a big difference in the day-to-day lives of outer suburban families.

## **Wyndham City Council**



Wyndham City Council is located on the western edge of Melbourne with Werribee at its commercial heart. It was the fastest growing interface council in 2018, with a population growth rate of 5.9% compared with the national growth rate average of 1.6%. The population is projected to rise from 255,000 in 2018 to 459,000 in 2036, an increase of 79.9%<sup>1</sup>.

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

## WYNDHAM CULTURAL CENTRE REDEVELOPMENT

177 Watton Street, Werribee 3030

The Growing Suburbs Fund will assist Wyndham City Council transform the current Wyndham Cultural Centre into a centre for creativity and relaunch the centre as Wyndham Arts Centre. The redevelopment will include:

- A new refurbished 497 seat Auditorium
- A new Gallery and Collection store
- A new 200 seat Black Box theatre
- A new first floor for creative industries
- New artist studios and offices
- Makerspace and Co-working Lounge
- Refurbished foyer and café space
- A new creative cube

**Expected date of commencement:** November 2022 **Expected date of completion:** September 2024

**Total Project Cost:** \$27,030,000 **Growing Suburbs Fund:** \$3,000,000

Other contributions:

Wyndham City Council: \$24,030,000

The other project in Wyndham City Council to receive funding from the Growing Suburbs Fund 2020-21 Round 2 is:

 Lawrie Emmins Reserve Youth and Skate Facility (\$1,500,000)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Victoria in Future 2019



Figure 1: Concept design

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 <a href="mailto:gsf@ecodev.vic.gov.au">gsf@ecodev.vic.gov.au</a>

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