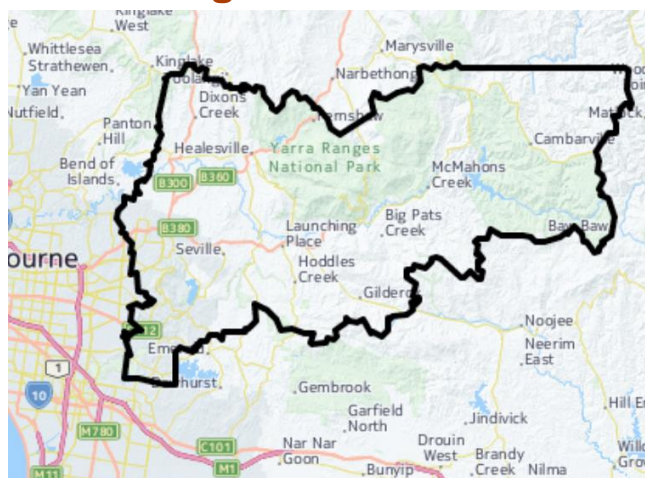


Growing Suburbs Fund 2020-21 Round 2

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.

Yarra Ranges Shire Council



Yarra Ranges Shire Council is located in Melbourne's outer east between 30 and 110 km from Melbourne's Central Business District. It covers an area of 2,470 km. Around 70 per cent of the Council's population live in the urban areas, which represent approximately three per cent of its landmass to the west of the municipality. The remaining population is distributed throughout rural areas.

Yarra Ranges Shire Council is part of the interface council area and recorded a growth rate of 0.8 per cent in 2018. The population is projected to grow from 158,200 in 2018 to about 188,800 or 16.2 per cent by 2036¹.

MOOROOLBARK HEIGHTS RECREATION RESERVE PLAYSPACE

13-29 Longfellow Avenue, Mooroolbark, 3138

The Growing Suburbs Fund will assist Yarra Ranges Shire Council to upgrade an existing playground at Mooroolbark Heights Recreation Reserve.

The project will provide increased functionality and accessibility that will encourage intergenerational use and greater social connection within the local community.

It will create a safe and inclusive reserve that meets the diverse needs of the local and broader community.

The space will also feature a new outdoor fitness equipment station that will connect to the existing circuit path. The project will install new furniture as well as new pathway connections that will enhance the overall amenities of the local park.

Expected date of commencement: January 2022

Expected date of completion: July 2022

Total Project Cost: \$300,000

Growing Suburbs Fund: \$150,000

Other contributions:

- Yarra Ranges Shire Council: \$150,000

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

- Chirnside Urban Park (\$2,250,000)
- Coldstream Station Activation (\$539,680)
- Bailey Road Playspace (\$128,000)

¹ Victoria in Future, 2019



Figure 1: Concept design playground

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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Figure 2: Concept design fitness equipment