

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.



Nillumbik Shire Council is located 25 km North-east of the Melbourne Central Business District, and the southern boundary is the Yarra River. It is predominantly urban to the South while the north of the municipality includes significant features like the Kinglake National Park and Sugarloaf Reservoir.

In 2017, Nillumbik Shire recorded an annual resident population growth rate of 0.7 per cent, of 65,000 residents¹. The population is forecasted to grow to 68,000, by 4 per cent, by 2031

¹ Victoria in the Future, 2017 <http://profile.id.com.au/nillumbik>

ELTHAM CENTRAL PRECINCT COMMUNITY / SPORTS HUB

18 Panther Place, Eltham VIC 3095

Project Description: The Growing Suburbs Fund will help Nillumbik Shire Council revitalise and upgrade the existing multipurpose sports pavilion. The new sports hub will be able to meet the current football and cricket sporting team needs, but also provide opportunities to deliver community education and learning programs for local school students and community organisations.

The project works will include:

- Upgrades to community meeting spaces and social rooms
- Upgrade and expansion of change rooms
- Addition of a spectator viewing area and landscaping
- New/upgraded play change room amenities
- Umpires facilities
- Club administration rooms
- Upgraded kitchen and catering amenities
- Spectator viewing areas with shelter including sun-shade
- Additional storage facilities



GROWING SUBURBS FUND 2017-18

Expected completion: September 2019

Total Project Cost: \$3,251,269

Growing Suburbs Fund: \$800,000

Other Contribution:

- **Nillumbik Shire Council \$2,451,269**

Other project in Nillumbik Shire Council to receive funding from the 2017-18 Growing Suburbs Fund:

- **Diamond Creek Netball Pavilion (\$2,826,025)**
- **Marngrook Oval Pavilion Development and Lighting Upgrade (\$416,650)**

Growing Suburbs Fund contributes to a mix of infrastructure projects that have a direct benefit to communities living in the outer suburbs.



Figure 1: Aerial view of the Eltham Central Park at 18 Panther Place

(Source: <https://www.google.com.au/maps/place/18+Panther+Pl,+Eltham+VIC+3095/@-37.7165711,145.1444608,229a,35y,28.93h,45t/data=!3m1!1e3!4m5!3m4!1s0x6ad637da76e3ec15:0xbbd3f3e3866a7128!8m2!3d-37.7154875!4d145.1459612>)

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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