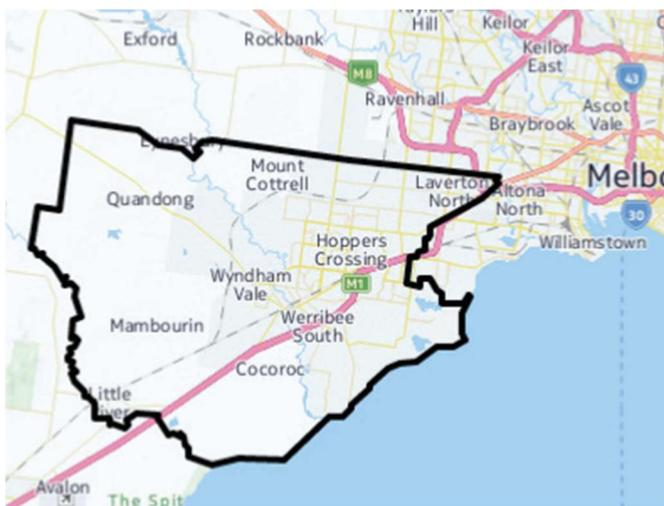


The Growing Suburbs Fund is a contribution towards meeting critical local infrastructure needs for communities in Melbourne's diverse and fast-growing outer suburbs. It is positioned to quickly respond to the pressures being experienced by interface communities by bringing forward local infrastructure projects that will make a big difference in the day-to-day lives of outer suburban families.



WYNDHAM STREET SURFER BUS

45 Princes Highway, Werribee 3030

Background: The Growing Suburbs Fund will help Wyndham City Council deliver a mobile facility to meet the changing needs and growing demographics of the Wyndham youth community (aged 12-25 years). The new youth Street Surfer Bus will replace the existing outmoded asset.

The mobile facility will provide a safe space for young people to connect and build relationships with other young people in their communities, reducing social isolation and building on community connectedness. Being mobile, young people will be able to access a wide range of services in the spaces/systems they reside such as counselling, legal consult, foodbank, employment advice, alternate education programs and the provision of tertiary services for young people at risk after hours.

The new Street Surfer Bus will be fitted out with state-of-the-art equipment to engage young people as well as to provide services and latest information on a range of issues that concern young people. The bus will be equipped with WIFI, music equipment, sports equipment including a mobile basketball ring and soccer goals, an outdoor LCD screen which can be utilised for gaming and movies, PC computers and other modern equipment.

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 cent¹ 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 2031².

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.

¹ Australian Bureau of Statistics 2017

² Victoria in the Future, 2016 <http://profile.id.com.au/wyndham>

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Wyndham City Council will engage and partner with local services across Wyndham to co-deliver to locations of need. The aim is to assist young people with a seamless transition process through different referral pathways and provide access to services which they may not be able to previously engage in.

Expected date of commencement: June 2019

Expected date of completion: December 2021

Total Project Cost: \$2,068,044

Growing Suburbs Fund: \$1,000,000

Other contributions:

- Wyndham City Council - \$1,068,044

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 Friar Place Park, Point Cook (\$200,000)
- Upgrade of Golden Square Reserve (\$325,000)
- Former Glen Devon School Site Reactivation (\$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

For more information regarding these projects contact Local Infrastructure, DELWP.

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