

# 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.

## Casey City Council



Casey City Council is located in Melbourne's south-eastern suburbs, between 28 and 60 km from the Melbourne Central Business District. It is one of the fastest growing interface councils with a population growth rate of 4.2 % in 2018 when compared to the national average of 1.6 per cent. The population in Casey is predicted to increase from 340,400 in 2018 to 522,300 in 2036.<sup>1</sup>

Casey City Council encompasses a total land area of about 400 square kilometres. Rural land is used mainly for grazing, horse agistment, market gardening, commercial flower growing and open space and parklands. Casey City Council has a diverse community with about 36% of residents speaking a language other than English at home and a large young population with 22.7% of residents under 15 years.

## LITTLECROFT FAMILY AND COMMUNITY CENTRE UPGRADE

51 The Strand Narre Warren South 3805

The Growing Suburbs Fund will assist Casey City Council to refurbish the existing family and community centre to enhance the provision of kindergarten, maternal and child health and community programs and services.

This project will include:

- A new kitchen facility
- Community space outdoor areas, and an undercover veranda area
- DDA compliant public amenities inclusive of nappy change facilities
- Renewing the external façade of the building and paving to create stronger public connection to the facility
- Maternal and Child Health consulting rooms
- Reception area
- Meeting rooms and storage facilities
- Fittings, furnishings, and equipment

**Expected date of commencement:** May 2022

**Expected date of completion:** November 2022

**Total Project Cost:** \$1,310,000

**Growing Suburbs Fund:** \$917,000

**Other contributions:**

- Casey City Council: \$393,000

**The other projects in the City of Casey to receive funding from the Growing Suburbs Fund 2020-21 Round 2 are:**

- Pearcedale Recreation Reserve Pavilion Redevelopment (\$2,000,000)
- Woodbine Children's Centre Upgrade (\$610,000)

<sup>1</sup> Victoria in the Future, 2019

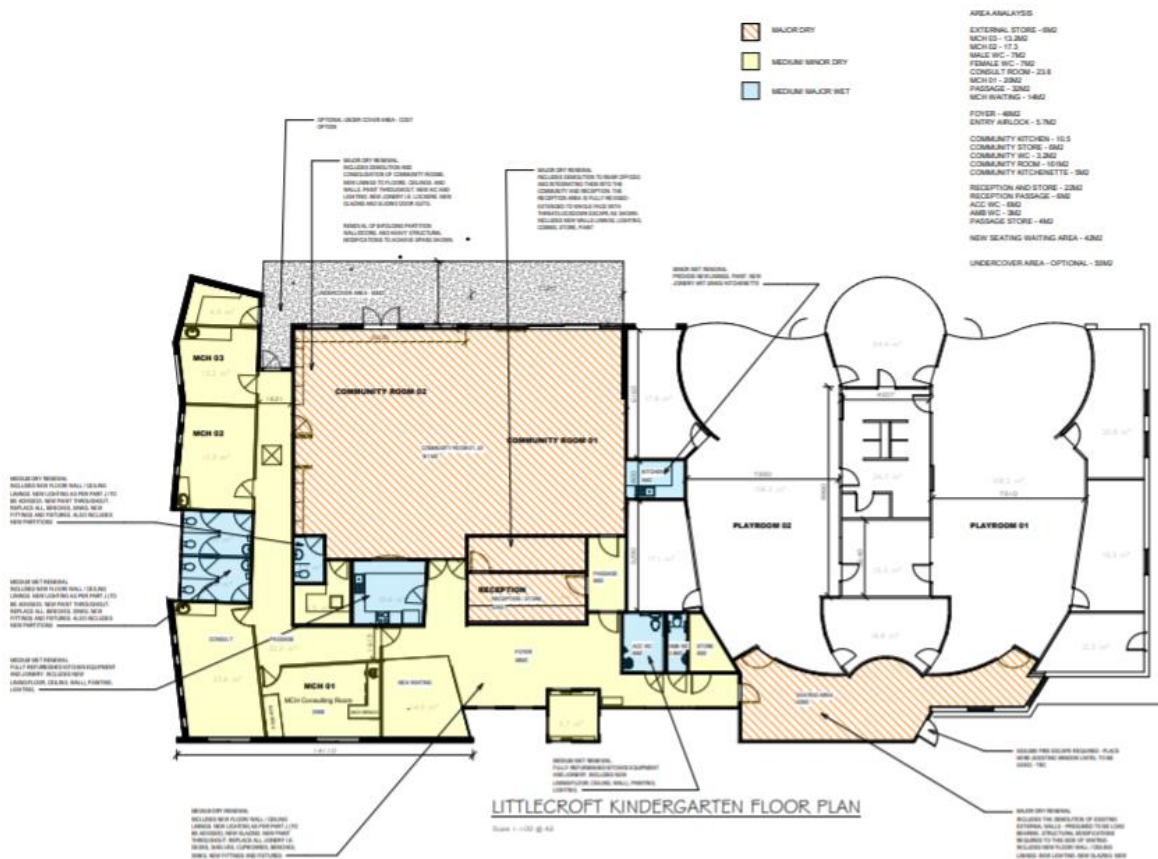


Figure 1: Schematic Floor Plan

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](mailto:gsf@ecodev.vic.gov.au)

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