Growing Suburbs Fund 2022-23

The Growing Suburb Fund (GSF) is a \$425M contribution to support the delivery of high priority community infrastructure projects for Victoria's diverse and fast-growing outer suburbs. Designed to support the existing and future local infrastructure needs of Melbourne's interface and peri-urban communities, the GSF brings forward local infrastructure projects that are essential to the liveability of outer suburban families.

Wyndham City Council



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

Wyndham City Council is part of the interface council area and recorded a growth rate of 4.7% in 2019-20¹. The population is projected to grow from 283,294 in 2020 to about 459,216 or 62.1% per cent by 2036².

Victoria's population growth slowed during the pandemic period with the impact over this time mainly felt in the inner and middle suburbs of Melbourne; regional areas were less affected due to increased migration from Melbourne. Based on the latest available data, areas across Victoria are now expected to return to normal rates and patterns.

Alfred Road Reserve Family Recreation Space

152 Browns Road, Werribee 3030

The Growing Suburbs Fund will assist Wyndham City Council to deliver an accessible, inclusive, and connected recreation reserve located within the Riverwalk and Werribee Junction growth corridor.

The scope of the project includes:

- A large play space area inclusive of shade and seating
- BBQ and picnic facilities including shelters
- A bouldering and climbing area, basketball and netball court, and cane ball court
- Outdoor exercise equipment and active open space area
- A gravel bicycle pump track

Expected date of commencement: July 2023 Expected date of completion: October 2024

Total Project Cost: \$21,034,450 Growing Suburbs Fund: \$1,428,400 Other Contributions:

- Wyndham City Council \$15,631,259
- Developer contribution \$2,474,791
- Sport and Recreation Victoria \$1,500,000

The other projects in Wyndham City Council to receive funding from the 2022-23 Growing Suburbs Fund are:

- Fortitude Drive Reserve Family Recreation Space (\$908,000)
- Galvin Park Football Cricket Community Pavilion Redevelopment (\$2,000,000)
- Jamieson Way Community Centre (\$2,000,000)
- Presidents Park Community Event Space (\$320,000)

¹ ABS Regional Population Growth, March 2022

² Victoria in Future, 2019





Figure 1 - Main playground schematic plan



Figure 2 – Concept design

You can find out about other Growing Suburbs Fund projects at <u>https://www.localgovernment.vic.gov.au/grants/growing-suburbs-fund</u>.

For more information about the Growing Suburbs Fund, please contact gsf@ecodev.vic.gov.au.

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