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.

The City of Melton is located approximately 40 kilometres west of central Melbourne and is considered one of the fastest growing interface councils. In 2017, the City of Melton had a growth rate of 5 per cent compared with the national average growth of 1.6 per cent. It is anticipated that Melton’s population will more than double between 2017 and 2041. Strong residential growth is expected to continue, with a number of new suburbs such as Aintree, Fraser Rise and Hillside currently under development.


MACPHERSON PARK REDEVELOPMENT

783-857 Coburns Road, Toolern Vale, VIC 3337

Project Description: The Growing Suburbs Fund will help the City of Melton revitalise the existing facilities at MacPherson Park located in Toolern Vale and transform the sporting precinct into a significant, multipurpose community hub.

The new multipurpose pavilion will include:

- Two social spaces with kitchens
- Ten gender-neutral changerooms (four for ovals, four for hardcourts and two for umpires)
- A canteen
- Two first aid rooms
- Office space
- Storage room
- Public toilets
- Entry road
- Hardcourts
- Car parking
- A synthetic multipurpose oval
- Landscaping.
Expected completion: May 2020

Total Project Cost: $8,000,000

Growing Suburbs Fund: $2,000,000

Other Contribution:

- City of Melton $6,000,000

Other project in the City of Melton to receive funding from the 2017-18 Growing Suburbs Fund:

- Aintree Community Hub ($1,000,000)
- Allenby Road Reserve Upgrade ($300,000)
- Arnolds Creek Playspace ($300,000)
- Bill Cahill Reserve Upgrade ($300,000)
- Fraser Rise Community Hub ($1,600,000)
- Hannah Watts Park Upgrade ($600,000)
- Melton Central Community Centre Redevelopment ($2,000,000)

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

Figure 1: MacPherson Park – Concept Design
(Source: City of Melton)

You can find out about other Growing Suburbs Fund Projects at localgovernment.vic.gov.au/gsf

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