Wyndham City Council is located on the western edge of Melbourne with Werribee at its commercial heart. It was one the fastest growing interface councils in 2017 in Melbourne, with a population growth rate of 6.1 per cent 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 2031.

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.

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.

**GRANGE COMMUNITY CENTRE & RESERVE ENHANCEMENT**

260-280 Hogans Road, Hoppers Crossing 3029

**Background:** The Grange Community Centre & Reserve enhancement is a $2 million partnership project between Victorian Government’s Growing Suburbs Fund and the developers. The 2018-19 Growing Suburbs Fund will contribute $1 million towards the redevelopment of the Centre, which is currently operating at capacity. The developers through the Wyndham City Council will also provide $1.7 million toward the project.

The Growing Suburbs Fund will help Wyndham City Council improve the existing community centre to meet the increasing need for more community space as a result of the growth in Tarneit West. Upgrading of the existing facility will help to reinforce integrated service delivery, improve all abilities access and increase the sustainability and operational efficiency of the building.

The project will deliver a new community meeting space that will allow for a range of community programs and services, a refurbished reception and office area and a welcoming and safe ‘community lounge space’ and landscaped courtyard which will allow community members to have access to free public WiFi and a tea/coffee making point without needing to attend specific program or service.

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1 Australian Bureau of Statistics 2017

Other projects in Wyndham City Council to receive funding from the 2018/19 Growing Suburbs Fund are:

- Central Park Redevelopment, Hoppers Crossing ($425,000)
- Upgrade of Friar Place Park, Point Cook ($200,000)
- Upgrade of Golden Square Reserve ($325,000)
- Wyndham Street Surfer Bus ($1,000,000)
- 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

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