

# Growing Suburbs Fund 2020-21

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.



## Golden Plains Shire Council

Golden Plains Shire is located in south-western Victoria, about 80-160 kilometres from the Melbourne CBD, 10-100 kilometres from the Geelong CBD, and 10-80 kilometres from the Ballarat CBD.

Known as one of Victoria's peri-urban councils, the current population of 23,722 is expected to grow to 33,073 by 2036.<sup>1</sup>

## Golden Plains Youth Hub (Bannockburn)

### Recreation Precinct at 132 Milton Street, Bannockburn Vic 3331

The Growing Suburbs Fund will assist Golden Plains Shire Council to deliver a vibrant Youth Hub facility that will provide inclusive, innovative and accessible programs and services for young people in the growing community of Bannockburn.

This project will support improved health, social, education and employability outcomes, and provide stronger connections between the local community and services young people need.

The re-purposing of an existing portable building will include suitable spaces for workshops, training and meetings. Provision will be made for a private meeting room and two consulting rooms that will have an operable wall to allow the space to be opened up depending on the user's needs.

The facility location and design has been developed with flexible and equitable use in mind for people of diverse abilities. The project includes provision to replace all existing windows to a double glazed option which not only improves safety through stronger glass, but reduces heat loss and heat gain of the building. The building has been rotated to be north facing to improve passive heating and allow for activation of the deck. The deck area will provide significant shade from direct sunlight in the warmer months and new high energy fixtures and fittings will be used to further improve water and power efficiency.

#### Expected date of commencement:

September 2020

#### Expected date of completion:

June 2021

**Total Project Cost:** \$561,752

**Growing Suburbs Fund:** \$271,032

#### Other contributions:

- Bannockburn & Districts Connected Communities - \$100,000
- Golden Plains Shire Council \$190,720

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



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