

Moving Ahead

IN THE CITY
OF MELTON
AUTUMN 2022



Kinder funding to support our growing young population

Five new and expanded kindergartens, catering for more than 1,000 new kinder places, will be built across the City of Melton under a new partnership between Melton City Council and the Victorian Government.

Council welcomed the announcement of an initial \$17.3 million as part of the Building Blocks Partnership Agreement, adding to Council's \$13 million contribution to deliver the first round of infrastructure projects to meet the needs of children and families in our fast-growing City.

The projects include:

- Rockbank Murray Road Children's and Community Centre: a four-kindergarten room integrated children's centre by 2023
- Weir Views: a four-kindergarten room integrated children's centre by 2025
- Fraser Rise: a four-kindergarten room integrated children's centre by 2025
- Deanside: a four-kindergarten room integrated children's centre by 2026
- Melton West: a one-kindergarten room extension by 2026

You can read the full media release on our News & Media channel at melton.vic.gov.au/news-media



Mayor's Message

Council has welcomed the Federal Government's recent funding announcement for the Western Intermodal Freight Terminal (\$740 million) and Outer Metropolitan Ring Road and Rail project (\$920 million), following the release of their 2022/2023 Budget.

These two key projects will help create 39,000 ongoing jobs in the west, unlock commercial investment, and ensure more efficient road and freight movements across the country.

With one of Australia's fastest growing populations, our infrastructure needs are significant, and we believe our community will benefit from this funding.

In relation to high-priority roads projects, Council launched its Fix Our Roads advocacy campaign on 4 April, which calls for an extensive roads package for the City of Melton, in the lead up to this year's State and Federal elections.

You can read more about the Fix Our Roads campaign in this edition of the Moving Ahead, and show your support by signing our petition at fixourroads.com.au

Cr Goran Kesic
City of Melton Mayor

Fix Our Roads

Join Melton City Council in asking the State and Federal governments to upgrade major roads in the City of Melton.

The City of Melton is one of Australia's fastest growing communities, yet years of underinvestment has led to aged, rural standard, congested roads that are a huge safety concern.

In the lead up to the Federal and the State elections this year, Council has launched, Fix Our Roads, an advocacy campaign aimed at securing pre-election commitments from major parties for a roads package for the City of Melton.

The Fix Our Roads campaign is advocating to the State and Federal governments to invest in six major roads to reduce congestion, improve safety and unlock jobs by providing funding to:

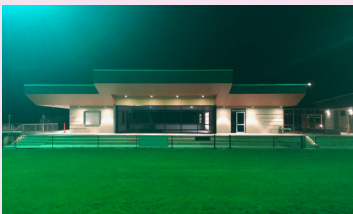
- Upgrade the Western Highway including additional interchanges, overpasses and lanes
- Duplicate and upgrade Melton Highway
- Duplicate and upgrade Hopkins Road
- Duplicate Christies Road
- Declaration and duplication of the Robinsons Road, Westwood Drive, Calder Park Drive Corridor
- Build the Calder Park Interchange

You can find out more about the Fix Our Roads campaign or sign the petition at fixourroads.com.au



Capital projects update

MacPherson Park Soccer Pavilion



Construction of the MacPherson Park Soccer Pavilion has been completed.

The new pavilion has been constructed across two buildings, doubling the size of the previous facility, and includes:

- undercover public viewing stands for around three-quarters of the length of the pitch
- disabled access down to the fence line
- new kitchen, bar and social rooms
- four home and away, and two referee, changerooms
- full solar system, allowing the building to be blackout proof
- rainwater harvesting system for irrigation and amenity use
- upgraded water pressure pumps to future proof MacPherson Park for other pavilion projects
- new waste system.

The \$3.2 million dollar facility was funded by Melton City Council and the Victorian Government through their Community Sports Infrastructure Stimulus Program (\$1.18 million).

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Brookside Pavilion double



The much-anticipated extension and refurbishment of the Brookside Community Pavilion has been completed.

You can read about these, and many more great projects by visiting melton.vic.gov.au/majorp



Projects in capacity

The \$1.5 million upgrade includes a modernised pavilion that has increased capacity from 70 people to 120 people, and other upgrades including a large kitchen, increased social space, change room refurbishment including female friendly change rooms, a new meeting room and transformation of the façade.

Hillside Pavilion refurbishment



The Hillside Pavilion Refurbishment project has delivered a larger modern club social space and ensures social spaces have been improved for club functions.

The \$850,000 project included:

- enlarging and refurbishing the existing club social room
- addition of a new bar area
- new amenities
- new umpire facilities
- a new entrance to the building and
- upgrades to building services including new hot water systems and new air conditioning.

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projects or by following us on LinkedIn @meltoncitycouncil

Upcoming Events



MYSTERY MUSIC MAKERS

Mystery Music Makers is a "surprise and delight" busker series held on the last Sunday of each month, featuring some of Australia's most loved performers. Previous guests include Pierce Brothers, Ella Hooper (Killing Heidi) and Darren Middleton (Powderfinger).

NEXT EVENT

Sunday 26 June

Fancy Things (Commercial Road, Caroline Springs)

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WINANGA BURRUGUU EXHIBITIONS

Emerging Melton artist, and proud Kamilaroi woman, Lucy Webster explores Aboriginal culture in her debut exhibition, Winanga Burruguu, which means 'to remember creation'.

You can see Winanga Burruguu until July at the Melton Library and Learning Hub.

To find out more, visit

melton.vic.gov.au/winangaburruguu



Melton City Council has responded to the newly released Federal Budget 2022-23.

To read our full response, visit: melton.vic.gov.au/news-media

HELPING ANSWER THE AGE-OLD QUESTION:

Do I need a permit?

Council has developed the new **Do I Need A Permit?** portal on our website to make answering that question so much easier.

The portal is a fantastic tool that can help residents work out if they need a Council permit for new construction or renovations around the house.

It also answers the most common FAQs residents might have.

The **Do I Need A Permit?** portal is completely interactive and covers everything from installing pools to restumping to demolition, and everything in between.

melton.vic.gov.au/housepermit

Join the conversation



Melton City Council values your feedback, and offers many opportunities for residents to have their say about Council projects, our plans and strategies, facility and parks developments and so much more.

Visit conversations.melton.vic.gov.au to find out how you can have your say.

Council's community portal

Get online, sign up for our newsletter and online transactions

Have you discovered our community portal yet? Sign up and you can renew your pet registrations, book a hard waste collection, pay your rates or service invoices, and submit a planning application on the Melton City Council website, any time of the day, seven-days a week.

You can also visit melton.vic.gov.au to access a wealth of information about our community, including local events, learning and training opportunities, community grants and much, much more.

For all the latest Council news, sign up for our e-newsletter by visiting melton.vic.gov.au/enews

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