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## **Key milestone for Plumpton Aquatic and Wellness Centre**

The Plumpton Aquatic and Wellness Centre is a step closer after Melton City Council acquired a parcel of land that will be home to this much-anticipated project.

The acquisition of the 3.6 hectare parcel of land on Beattys Road in Fraser Rise is a key milestone in a project that will transform this rapidly growing area in the City of Melton with a state-of-the-art district level aquatic facility.

Projects of this scale need to follow a series of important steps, including detailed planning and design processes to ensure the needs of the community are reflected.

The design and master planning process for the project is continuing and the community will be invited to have their say on how they want their aquatic centre to look.

The masterplan will outline features that are planned to be included at the facility, such as an indoor pool, an outdoor pool, a gym, warm water pools, program pools, community café spaces, other allied health spaces and a water sensory experience. The master plan will inform the final design and scope of inclusions for the facility.

Council looks forward to our community's input as this transformational project continues to move forward.

### **Quotes attributable to City of Melton Mayor Cr Kathy Majdlik**

*“Securing a home for the Plumpton Aquatic Leisure Centre is another important step forward for this project and the community.”*

*“This will be a facility where residents can swim, play, exercise, connect and seek support from allied health professionals.”*

*“With a project of this scale there are a number of important steps in place to make sure we deliver a facility that best meets the needs of our community. We appreciate the community's patience as we move ahead with delivering with this vital aquatic centre.”*

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*“Council has invested \$250,000 this financial year to finalise the master plan and we also look to other levels of government for support.”*

*“Council has applied to the Victorian Government under the Growth Areas Infrastructure Contribution Funding program for funding to support this transformational project. We look forward to the announcement of this round of funding and Melton City Council getting its fair share of these funds for this major facility.”*

*“With nearly 170,000 people expected to live near Plumpton by 2040, we’re committed to delivering the kind of aquatic centre a growing community deserves.”*

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