

MEDIA RELEASE

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Cobblebank Community Services Hub set to deliver vital services

Construction on the six-level Cobblebank Community Services Hub will begin later this year, with the facility set to deliver much-needed services to the fast-growing community in the City of Melton.

The 5 Green Star rated Hub is expected to be operational by late 2026 and will provide a range of services including employment support, family violence prevention, disability, mental health, family support, drug rehabilitation, refugee support and other culturally specific services for Indigenous and CALD communities.

City of Melton Mayor Cr Steve Abboushi took time this week to visit the site with Federal Member for Hawke Sam Rae MP, with the Australian Government recently announcing \$15 million funding toward the project through the Thriving Suburbs program.

The project will be delivered by Council with support from all levels of government. The Victorian Government has also provided \$4.6 million in funding through the Growing Suburbs Fund.

The Australian Government also provided \$15 million from its Thriving Suburbs Fund to go towards construction of the new Plumpton Aquatic and Leisure Centre.

For more information on the project people can visit <u>melton.vic.gov.au/CCSH</u>.

Quotes attributable to City of Melton Mayor Cr Steve Abboushi:

"On behalf of Council, I'd like to thank the Australian Government and Local Member Sam Rae for their generous support through the Thriving Suburbs Fund for the Cobblebank Community Services Hub."

"The new Cobblebank Community Services Hub will make it easier for people to attend regular appointments to get the support they need, when they need it, close to home."

"The Cobblebank Community Services Hub is a great example of Council along with the Victorian and Australian governments working in partnership to ensure important health, wellbeing and education services can be accessed locally."

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