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***Celebrating
our seniors***





Cover: President of the Combined Pensioners Association and long-time Melton resident Pat Anderson.

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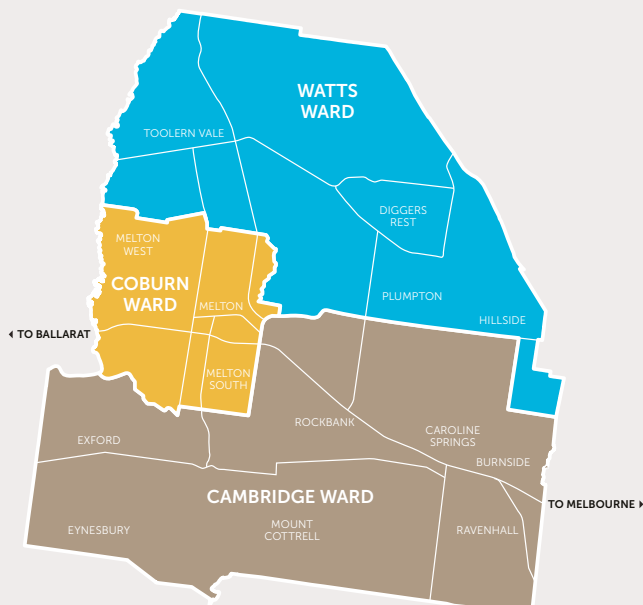
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Message from the Mayor



Cr Sophie Ramsey
 Mayor of the City of Melton

As my Mayoral term comes to an end, it is timely to reflect on what has been a fast paced and productive year.

It has been a humbling experience to serve as Mayor of this wonderful community for the past 12 months. In that time, I have been fortunate enough to visit schools, been involved with community groups and sporting clubs, and have enjoyed the opportunity to hear more about the fantastic work being done in the municipality.

This year saw the completion of a number of major projects, which provide much needed community infrastructure for residents. The opening of Bridge Road and Botanica Springs Children's and Community Centres was a highlight for the municipality, as was the opening of the Taylors Hill Men's Shed, located at Morton Homestead. In May, we also opened the Western Business Accelerator and Centre for Excellence (BACE), a landmark training and economic development facility that is set to change the face of business within the City of Melton and beyond.

As Mayor, I've been afforded many opportunities to advocate on behalf of our community to all levels of government. Earlier this year, we were thrilled to receive significant funding through the Federal Government's Roads2Recovery and Black Spots programs to help improve safety on our roads. We also welcomed the creation of the State Government's Interface Growth Fund, which will assist the 10 Interface Councils to bridge the gap between facilities available in the inner metropolitan area as compared to those available in the Interface Region.

In closing, I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Councillors, Council officers, my family and members of the community for the support they have given me throughout the year. It has been an exciting and immensely rewarding experience.

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Ask for help if you need to communicate in your language.



Our journey to a breastfeeding friendly City

Mothers are the focus of two new Council initiatives to encourage acceptance of breastfeeding in public, and enhance baby facilities at venues across the City.

Council will be working with local businesses such as cafés to become 'breastfeeding friendly', as part of the Australian Breastfeeding Association's (ABA) nationwide Breastfeeding Welcome Here program.

"It will be great to know where to go, whether it is a café or a community facility, that is open to and accepting of breastfeeding mothers."

Local mum of five-month-old Finn, Jess Greasely, said this initiative would help provide safe and comfortable places for feeding mothers when they are outside the home.

"This will certainly take away the angst that many mothers feel when breastfeeding, which is caused by poor community attitudes, and may actually encourage more mothers to breastfeed," Jess said.

Businesses that pass the ABA criteria will be issued a sticker that carries the 'Breastfeeding Welcome Here' message to place on their front window so they'll be easy to identify.

"It will be great to know where to go, whether it is a café or a community facility, that is open to and accepting of breastfeeding mothers," Jess said.

A second recognition program, the Baby Care Room Award, is also being explored to enhance family rooms at public venues across the City.

Council is currently working on recognising its civic centres and community facilities as breastfeeding friendly, and will soon start working



Local Mum Jess Greasely with Finn at child-friendly cafe, Breathe, in Melton.



Look out for this sticker on breastfeeding friendly places around the City of Melton soon.

with privately owned venues and local shopping centres to achieve the Baby Care Room Award.

"It will also be great to know where mothers can change and feed their babies in comfort as this is not promoted before you walk into a café or community facility," Jess said.

Melton has one of the lowest breastfeeding rates in Victoria. These new initiatives are an extension of Council's Breastfeeding Support Service, which is designed to encourage mothers to breastfeed their child exclusively for the first six months.

Melton City Council is one of only seven Victorian councils to hold ABA accreditation as a Breastfeeding Friendly Workplace.

► For more information about Council's Breastfeeding Friendly Support Service call 9747 7200.



8,000m²
of footpaths replaced



72,900 tonnes
of waste collected



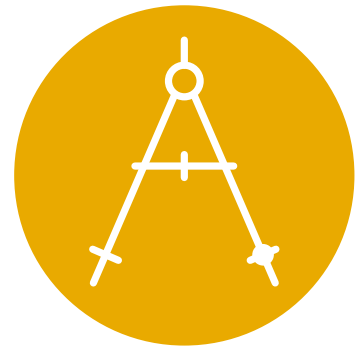
\$32 million
worth of new community buildings
and facilities opened



20,490
centre-based meals, and
meals-on-wheels provided



5,600 vaccinations
administered to more than
2,500 children



480
town planning applications processed

HOW YOUR RATES ARE \$PENT

Have you ever wondered where your rate money goes?

Melton City Council provides over 120 services and programs to residents across the community. These range from Maternal and Child Health to seniors activities, entrepreneurial business advice to recreation facilities and so much more.

Here's a snapshot of how your money was spent in 2014/15.



2,500 trees
planted in parks and streets



3,870
energy efficient street lights installed



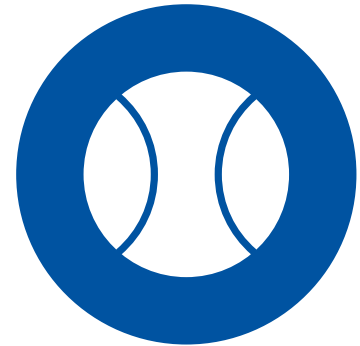
21,000 new items
added to our library collection



1,393km
of streets swept



5,330 hours
of support provided to
vulnerable families



\$270,000
in grant funding given to local
community and sporting groups



750 Men's Shed
programs held in Melton
and Taylors Hill



3,230
hard waste collections organised



22,700 hours
of personal and respite care



6,857 kids
attended our Kinder Gym program



Over 1,200
children participated in the Get
Activated, Stay Motivated school
holiday program



For more
information about
Council's services
and programs visit
melton.vic.gov.au

New sports clubs wanted for Bridge Road

Melton City Council would like to hear from anyone wishing to start a new sporting club to be based at the Bridge Road Sports Precinct.

The new \$11.3 million sports precinct in Melton South is currently under construction.

Melton Little Athletics will be a tenant once the facility is completed mid next year.

Significant progress has been made on constructing the dedicated, state-of-the-art, hockey and athletics facility.

It will include an athletics track, field facilities, hockey pitches, a community pavilion and a storage building.

Construction started in April with the shape of the eight-lane, 400 metre, athletics track now visible. The grassed in-field area, which will be used for sports like javelin and high jump, has



An aerial view showing progress of the Bridge Road Sports Precinct.

been formed, and steel work on the pavilion frame is complete.

A multipurpose synthetic competition hockey pitch, and additional training pitch for Victorian State League team the Melton 'Mustangs' Hockey Club, will also be built as part of the project.

Once completed, the Bridge Road

Sports Precinct will form part of a community hub, which includes the recreation reserve, a Parks Victoria regional park, a children's and community centre and a future primary school.

► To find out more, contact Council on 9747 7200.



\$2M for road safety improvements at Boundary Road, Mt Cottrell, and Sinclairs Road, Rockbank.

Funding for Black Spot projects

Road safety will be improved at two locations in the City of Melton after more than \$2 million in funding was secured by Council through the Australian Government's Black Spot Program.

Upgrades valued at \$1,495,000 will be made at Boundary Road in Mt Cottrell between Mt Atkinson and Dukelows roads. These will include the installation of guardrails, extended culverts, drivable end wall culverts and reflective guide posts.

On Sinclairs Road in Rockbank, \$670,000 has been funded to install guard fences and driveable end walls from Taylors Road to Neale Road.

This funding has come at a critical time with a number of car crashes occurring at these identified black spots over the past five years.

On this section of Boundary Road, nine crashes have occurred since 2010, three of which were serious. In the same period, four crashes, including one serious, have happened on this section of Sinclairs Road.

Detailed design for the works is

underway with construction expected to start in early 2016. The construction works will be put out to tender later this year.

The Australian Government's Black Spot Program aims to reduce crashes by funding projects that improve roads where collisions have occurred.

► To find out more, contact Council on 9747 7200.

Improve your safety skills

First Aid courses are among a range of safety education programs being offered at Neighbourhood Houses and the Caroline Springs Library during October.

The safety education programs for children and adults are part of Community Safety Month.

Among them are basic first aid and resuscitation, and a kids' scooter safety clinic.

A special session supported by RoadSafe Westgate will focus on looking after your mates, and includes

topics on responsible drinking and safe driving.

Community Safety Month is supported by Council's Community Safety Committee as well as the Regional Crime Prevention Network.

Sessions range in cost from free to \$30. See below for dates, times and locations.



Friday 16 October

6.30–7.15pm

EMERGENCY READINESS WORKSHOP

What is an Emergency Ready Plan and why do we need it? This workshop will answer these questions and more. Receive an emergency ready tool kit prepared by the Red Cross which will help you to develop your own Emergency Ready Plan. Delivered by Reeta Verma from the Red Cross (CALD Advisory Board).

FREE ▶ Diggers Rest Family Centre

Tuesday 20 October

4.00pm–5.30pm

BASIC FIRST AID FOR KIDS (8–14 YEAR OLDS)

In this workshop, children (8–14 years) will learn the basic resuscitation and first aid skills needed to respond quickly in an emergency situation.

Learn about CPR, choking, burns, importance of water safety and calling an ambulance.

\$20 ▶ Hillside Community Centre

Wednesday 21 October

7pm–8.15pm

LOOKING AFTER OUR MATES

Free information session with a simple, effective message about responsible drinking, safe driving and looking after your friends. Free showbags, door prizes and supper. Proudly supported by RoadSafe Westgate.

FREE ▶ Caroline Springs Library

Tuesday 27 October

6.30pm–9.30pm

RESUSCITATION & BASIC FIRST AID

Each year approximately 500 Australian children die as a result of accidents such as drowning. This three-hour course aims to provide you with the skills to respond appropriately in an emergency situation.

\$30 ▶ Stevenson House



Wednesday 28 October

9.30am–12.30pm

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\$30 ▶ Bridge Road Community Centre

Thursday 29 October

10am–11am or 11am–12noon

KIDS SCOOTER SAFETY CLINIC (6 YEAR OLD & UNDER)

Riding a scooter is lots of fun for children, but how do you keep them safe once they start riding? Run by YMCA Skate Services, learn how to help protect your child from serious injuries in a skate park and give your child some riding practice with the experts. BYO scooter and helmet.

FREE ▶ Taylors Hill Neighbourhood House



BRIDGE ROAD COMMUNITY CENTRE
260 Bridge Road, Melton South
☎ 9747 5272

HILLSIDE COMMUNITY CENTRE
Royal Crescent, Hillside
☎ 9449 8027

CAROLINE SPRINGS LIBRARY
193 Caroline Springs Boulevard,
Caroline Springs
☎ 9747 5300

STEVENSON HOUSE
10 Stevenson Cres, Caroline Springs
☎ 9363 5137

TAYLORS HILL NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE
121 Calder Park Drive, Taylors Hill
☎ 9747 5424

DIGGERS REST FAMILY CENTRE
Plumpton Road, Diggers Rest
☎ 9747 7200

Celebrating

October is a great month to be a senior with many events and activities still on as part of the Victorian Seniors Festival.

And, if you are a carer for a senior or someone with a disability, find out more about services and meet other carers at Council's CARE Melton Expo on Thursday 15 October.



Seniors, it's your time

Pat Anderson encourages all seniors to try something new during October's Seniors Festival.

Celebrate ageing well at the Victorian Seniors Festival, a month-long calendar of events during October that is packed with fun activities.

President of the Combined Pensioners Association and long-time Melton resident Pat Anderson said there were still plenty of activities happening around the state for seniors as part of the festival.

"The Seniors Festival is a wonderful time to celebrate being a senior, and to see so many wonderful activities available to our local seniors throughout Victoria," Pat said.

"I encourage everyone to join in the fun and try something new."

Pat has watched the Melton community grow from a small farming community to the booming City it is today.

One of the changes she's watched with particular interest has been the

Seniors Festival

On now

Visit seniorsonline.vic.gov.au

growing number of older residents who now call the City of Melton home.

"The City of Melton is still a very young community; we have lots of kids and young families, but we also have many seniors who have lived here a long time, and lots of new seniors moving here too," Pat said.

"We need to have good services and supports to help them live well, and events and activities like the Seniors Festival make living here fun," Pat said.

The Combined Pensioners Association provides regular social gatherings, dances, outings and other events that get people out of their home, and connects them with others.

"As people age, it becomes even more important for them to get out of their home, and to spend time with others," Pat said.

"We share information, we share stories, and we share lots of laughs too."

"Having strong connections to people in your community is just so important to living well."

The Victorian Seniors Festival is a state-wide Victorian Government initiative. For more information about the festival, including an online calendar of events, visit seniorsonline.vic.gov.au

our seniors and carers

Caring for carers

Carers are invited to take some time out and visit the CARE Melton Expo to learn more about services available in the area, and meet others who are looking after loved ones, family or friends.

Yvonne Arnell is a carer to her terminally ill husband Lindsay, and daughter Belinda who was diagnosed with Charge syndrome at birth. Charge syndrome causes medical and physical difficulties, and Belinda is also legally blind and deaf.

She is looking forward to meeting other carers at the expo to build stronger peer networks, visiting the 56 exhibitors and taking advantage of the relaxation sessions on offer.

Lindsay was diagnosed with a terminal brain tumour two-and-a-half years ago. At the time, Yvonne found the lack of information about local services challenging and hopes to find out more about how some services can be linked.

"I currently get personal care, home support, respite and attend the Melton Carer Support Group which are all Melton City Council services," she said

"I also get assistance from Carers Victoria, the District Nursing Services and Djerriwarrh Health Service.

"While I am involved in all of these services, I struggle to find the time to coordinate all of the appointments and paperwork that I have as a carer, which is something I'll be looking for advice about at the expo."



Carer Yvonne Arnell takes a moment to share a cup of tea with a work colleague.

CARE Melton Expo FREE entry

Date: Thursday 15 October

Venue: Melton Community Hall
Precinct, 232 High Street Melton

Time: 10am-2pm

This is Council's third CARE Melton Expo, which grows each year.

Entry to the expo is free and carers can participate in gentle yoga workshops, have a hearing test, a health check, and learn more about visual support tools to assist people with autism and intellectual disabilities.

While carers are encouraged to attend the expo, it's also a chance for others in the community to find out more about services available in Melton.

"Even people who are not currently caring should take the opportunity to find out more about what it is like to be a carer and what is also available for carers in our municipality," Yvonne said.

"You never know when you may become a carer; it could happen to anyone at anytime, and by having the information and knowing where to go for assistance would be a huge help."

► For more information visit melton.vic.gov.au/care



Sally Greer with children who she cares for as part of Family Day Care. (L-R) Tanae, Elijah, Kyran and Shameka.

Celebrating 40 years of Family Day Care

Melton City Council has been providing Family Day Care to families with children aged from 6 weeks to 13 years since 1975.

Family Day Care provides a safe, secure and stimulating environment for a small group of children at any one time in the carer's own home. It also offers flexibility for families needing full time, part time, casual, before and after school care, and holiday care.

Council recruits and supports Family Day Care educators, who see their role as long-term. Some educators have been providing Melton families with a quality service for up to 30 years, providing consistent and continuous care that is important to children's development.

Council's Family Day Care educators go through a stringent recruiting process and receive training, ongoing support, supervision and resources so families know their children are in quality childcare. Council conducts home visits to check on the environment and observe the children's development.

In September 2014, Council's Family Day Care Service underwent a national

Our current Family Day Care service has:



40 EDUCATORS



348 FAMILIES



515 CHILDREN

Quality Rating and Assessment review conducted by the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority.

The assessment covered seven areas around the program, health and safety, environment, staff, relationships with children, partnerships, and service management.

Council exceeded in all seven areas and received an overall rating of exceeding National Quality Standards.

The cost of care is calculated according to the booked and used hours of care, and Commonwealth Government assistance available.

To become a Family Day Care educator, or to enrol your child into Family Day Care, please contact Council's Family Day Care Coordination Unit on 9747 7200 to arrange an appointment.

Celebrate with us

During Children's Week

- ▶ Tuesday 27 October at Melton Community Hall
- ▶ Thursday 29 October 2015 at Taylors Hill Youth Centre

Events run from 10am–12pm

Meet our educators, join in activities and games, and pick up a free gift bag.

▶ Visit melton.vic.gov.au for more details

Caring, nurturing, loving

There have been many changes to Family Day Care over the past four decades, but one thing remains the same and that is the nurturing environment enjoyed by children who are cared for in the homes of Melton City Council's educators.

Over this time, there have been many changes and developments to providing the home based education and care service.

One educator to witness the evolution of Family Day Care is Sally Grero, who has just celebrated her 26-year anniversary working with Melton City Council.

Ms Grero migrated to Australia from Sri Lanka, where she worked as a qualified primary school teacher, in 1987.

After two years living and working in Melbourne's inner north, she moved to Melton and commenced work as a Family Day Care educator.

Ms Grero said working as a Family Day Care educator has become more interesting since the introduction of regulations and legislation.

"In the early years, there was no guidance because there were no regulations around what we were doing," she said.

"Since regulations have been introduced over the past nine years, Family Day Care work has become more interesting for me, for the children and for the parents.

"Our days are more organised with the introduction of central guidelines, particularly around getting permissions to take the children out of the home.

"Writing up charts for programs allows parents to be involved in what we do and see how their child is progressing in Family Day Care."

Other changes have occurred over the past two decades, like the introduction of technology such as iPads into education programs, and more awareness around outdoor play including the importance of sun protection.

Ms Grero uses her multicultural background to teach the children about different nationalities through music and cooking, and also about acceptance.

"When the tsunami hit Sri Lanka on 26 December 2006, the families helped so much by bringing clothes and toys to send to my friends and family back home," Ms Grero said.

"That is one of the beautiful things about caring for children in this family environment, we can teach compassion and love."

Ms Grero cares for seven children aged up to 12 years at any one time in her home. They participate in activities such as art and craft, nature walks, singing, cooking and outdoor play.

During school holidays, when school age children join the younger ones, they participate in small projects that extend for days, go on bus trips to try out new parks, or visit shopping centres.

"I just love working as a Family Day Care educator," Ms Grero said. "I will never do anything else."

Family Day Care is funded by Melton City Council and licensed with the Department of Education and Training.

The 40-year celebrations of the service will take place during Children's Week on Tuesday 27 October 2015 at Melton Community Hall and Thursday 29 October 2015 at Taylors Hill Youth Centre.

Timeline

- ▶ 1971 Brotherhood of St Laurence sponsors and funds Australia's first Family Day Care Scheme in Fitzroy, Melbourne.
- ▶ 1975 Melton City Council Family Day Care Scheme starts.
- ▶ 2009 State regulations introduced to Victorian Family Day Care schemes.
- ▶ 2009 National Early Years Reform Agenda introduced, setting a new vision for Early Childhood in Australia.
- ▶ 2012 Education and Care Services National Law Act and Regulations introduced – these are the laws to which all Family Day Care services adhere.
- ▶ 2014 Melton City Council Family Day Care Service completes its Quality Rating and Assessment review – a nationally independent assessment conducted by the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority. Melton exceeds in all seven areas.



Lego play time with the children in Sally's care.

Immunisation in Melton

Melton City Council provides a range of free immunisation services at locations throughout the municipality for infants, children, secondary school students, pregnant women and parents of newborn babies. These vaccines are vital to protect against a variety of infectious diseases.

Council offers vaccines for:

- ▶ Babies and children under the National Immunisation Program
- ▶ Women in their third trimester, and their partner, against whooping cough

Council offers immunisation for students in Year 7, including:

- ▶ human papillomavirus
- ▶ chickenpox
- ▶ diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough

Immunisation is also available for students in Year 8, 9 and 10 for diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough.

Council visits all secondary schools located in the municipality three times throughout the year to deliver courses of specific vaccines to students.

Day and evening sessions are available at these locations below.

No appointment is necessary.

Venue		Oct	Nov	Dec
Day sessions				
Melton South Melton South M&CH Centre 29–41 Exford Road	1st Thursday of the month 9:30am–10:15am	-	5	3
Rockbank Rockbank Community Hall Leakes Road	1st Thursday of the month 11:15am–11:45am	-	5	3
Caroline Springs Brookside Community Centre Federation Way	1st Thursday of the month 1:45pm–3:15pm	-	5	3
Melton Melton Community Hall Cnr High & Smith Streets	1st Friday of the month 9:30am–10:15am	-	6	4
Diggers Rest Diggers Rest Family Services Centre Plumpton Road	1st Friday of the month 12:45pm–1:15pm	-	6	4
Hillside Hillside Community Centre – Room 2 Royal Crescent	1st Friday of the month 2:15pm–3:15pm	-	6	4
Melton West Arnolds Creek Community Centre Claret Ash Boulevard	2nd Thursday of the month 2:30pm–4:00pm	8	12	10
Night sessions				
Caroline Springs Springside Children's & Community Centre 22–50 Becca Way	1st Tuesday of the month 6:00pm–7:30pm	-	4	1
Melton Melton Community Hall Cnr High & Smith Streets	2nd Tuesday of the month 6:00pm–7:30pm	13	10	8
Hillside Banchory Community Centre Cnr Banchory Ave & Bedingham Drive	2nd Thursday of the month 6:00pm–7:30pm	8	12	10
Caroline Springs Springside Children's & Community Centre 22–50 Becca Way	3rd Tuesday of the month 6:00pm–7:30pm	20	17	15
Melton Melton Community Hall Cnr High & Smith Streets	4th Tuesday of the month 6:00pm–7:30pm	27	24	22

New children's centre takes shape

The new Burnside Children's and Community Centre is taking shape with the frame up, roof on and windows in.

Council is looking forward to welcoming new families when the centre is opened early next year.

Built to accommodate Melton's growing population, the Burnside Children's and Community Centre will provide quality programs, services and early learning opportunities for young children.

Services will include three and four year old kindergarten, occasional care, maternal and child health, parenting groups, early childhood intervention services, and playgroups.

Council has contributed \$2.88 million to the construction of the project, and the Victorian Government has funded \$1.6 million.



An aerial view of the new Burnside Children's and Community Centre currently under construction.



The steel frame is up as Burnside Children's and Community Centre starts to take shape.

It's festival time

The countdown is on to the biggest event on Melton's community calendar, the Djerriwarrh Festival, to be held on Saturday 7 November at the Melton Recreation Reserve.

The 36th annual event will kick off with a street parade down High Street, Melton, at 11am with a headline performance by Australian rock band, Baby Animals, later on the Main Stage.

From midday, festival-goers can visit the Community Showcase Ring, Market Stall Village, Get Active Expo, Pet Expo, Car Show and more.

Evening entertainment starts on the Main Stage at 5pm with a host of Australian talent including Emma Donovan, Jason Singh from Taxiride, Mark Gable from Choirboys and Australia's Got Talent favourite Cameron Henderson.

The festival will close with a fireworks display at around 10pm.

Woodgrove Shopping Centre is sponsoring this year's festival.

- ▶ For updates on the Djerriwarrh Festival, visit melton.vic.gov.au or follow us at facebook.com/djerrifestival



Australian rock band the Baby Animals will headline the 2015 Djerriwarrh Festival.

Interface Growth Fund a big win for Melton

Following four years of advocacy from the Interface Councils* for State Government funding to reduce the gap in critical infrastructure such as sporting fields and community centres, Melton City Council is delighted with the announcement of an initial \$50 million investment in a dedicated growth fund for Melbourne's outer suburbs.

Council will look to fund a number of much needed local recreational and community projects from the first round of the Interface Growth Fund.

In addition to the fund, other positive investments in interface areas included outer suburban roads, bus services, education, health, mental health and preventing domestic violence.

Despite being responsible for 47 per cent of population growth, the outer areas of metropolitan Melbourne still receive just five per cent of investment from the State Government.

Interface Councils will continue to advocate on behalf of Melbourne's outer suburbs to ensure residents have equal access to education, health, public transport as well as many other



critical infrastructure and services. The goal is to secure subsequent instalments of the Interface Fund in future budgets to continue providing much needed funding into these communities.

**Interface Councils is a group of 10 municipalities that form a ring around metropolitan Melbourne and are among the most rapidly growing communities in Victoria. Melton City Council is part of the Interface Councils along with Mornington Peninsula, Casey, Cardinia, Mitchell, Nillumbik and Yarra Ranges shire councils, and Hume, Whittlesea and Wyndham city councils.*

No dumping here

Melton City Council is calling on the community's help to stamp out illegal dumping and littering.

A community education campaign encouraging better waste management practices is now underway, targeting suburbs where illegal dumping is most common.

The *Dumping is Damaging* campaign started in neighbouring council, Wyndham City, where it is successfully changing people's behaviour and curbing illegal dumping.

By focusing on three key areas—education, infrastructure and enforcement—the campaign informs residents how to dispose of waste safely and legally.

It also provides information about filling in a litter report if you see someone dumping waste illegally.

If you find dumped litter, or see someone dumping waste illegally, please record the location, date, time and the offender's car registration (if applicable). Once you have these details, report it to Melton City Council as soon as possible on 9747 7200 or visit melton.vic.gov.au/waste

- ▶ For more information on the campaign please contact Council's Litter Education and Prevention Officer on 9747 7200.

DID YOU KNOW?

YOU CAN BE FINED MORE THAN

\$5,900

FOR DUMPING RUBBISH

HAVE YOU SEEN SOMEONE **DUMP** RUBBISH? CALL

9747 7200

AND HELP OUR COMMUNITY



What is illegal dumping?

Disposing of any household waste or unwanted goods in a public place like a roadside, near a dumpster, at a building site, or even in front of a charity store.

Why dumping rubbish is dangerous

- ▶ It is unsightly, making our neighbourhood look dirty, uncared for and appear unsafe.
- ▶ Rubbish often enters our rivers and creeks causing damage to local plants and animals.
- ▶ The clean-up cost to Council can be hundreds of thousands of dollars each year—money better spent on community services!
- ▶ The rubbish may be harmful to our health, especially if it contains dangerous substances like chemicals or asbestos.

Give and take at Re-sale Centre

Spring is now here, and many of us feel inspired to get rid of household clutter by tackling a good, old-fashioned spring clean. If this is you, why not head to the Melton Re-Sale Centre and drop off any re-saleable goods for free?

Melton's Re-sale Centre gives all kinds of pre-loved goods a second life and, once a month, offers great deals on furniture, clothes, books and other household items.

Co-located with the Melton Recycling Facility at 31 Ferris Road in Melton South, the Re-sale Centre is open for residents to drop off re-saleable goods at no cost, every day from 8am to 4.30pm.

Super Saturday is a great day for bargain hunting in Melton.



Plenty of books to choose from at the Re-sale Centre.

Re-saleable items accepted at Melton Re-sale centre

- ▶ Furniture
- ▶ Electrical and electronic goods
- ▶ Bicycles and foot scooters
- ▶ Building products including plumbing fixtures
- ▶ Toys
- ▶ Baby goods like prams and cots
- ▶ Books
- ▶ Records and CDs
- ▶ VHS and DVD movies
- ▶ Clothing, shoes and handbags
- ▶ Kitchenware and small appliances
- ▶ Tools and lawnmowers
- ▶ Pet carriers and kennels
- ▶ **For more information, contact Council's Waste Services department on 9747 7200.**



Pre-loved furniture, toys and household goods are all for sale on Super Saturdays.

Upcoming Super Saturdays

31 October

28 November

* Please note there will be no Super Saturday in December due to the Boxing Day public holiday on Saturday 26 December

These popular events occur on the last Saturday of every month when donated items are sold to the public.

There are also plenty of free goods up for grabs on Super Saturdays like VHS movies, vinyl records and some clothing and shoes.

Items are sold at very reasonable prices to keep the stock fresh, and allow more goods to come through the doors—minimising illegal dumping and reducing the amount of household waste going to landfill.

Your waste collected free

All residents are entitled to one free hard rubbish collection* from your home each financial year.

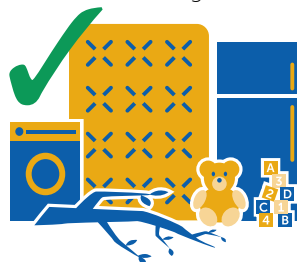
All you need to do is:

1. Sort your unwanted items
2. Call Council on 9747 7200 to book a hard rubbish collection
3. Put your items out in your front yard or on your driveway in a 3m³ pile (items on the nature strip will not be collected).

**Some residents may prefer to take their unwanted goods to the Melton Recycling Facility (MRF), instead of using their hard rubbish collection entitlement. Residents receive two passes to the MRF for a car or single axle trailer or one pass for a double axle trailer, ute or van each year.*

Items Council WILL collect

Mattresses, toys, large tree branches, white goods



Items Council will NOT collect

Paint, tyres, small prunings/ grass clippings, gas bottles



For a full list of items that can and cannot be collected via a hard rubbish collection please visit melton.vic.gov.au

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The logo for the Djerrinward Festival, featuring the word "Djerrinward" in a large, white, cursive script font, with "FESTIVAL" in a smaller, white, sans-serif font below it. The background is a vibrant, multi-colored sky transitioning from blue to purple to orange, with a crescent moon and several colorful fireworks (red, purple, blue) exploding in the night sky. In the foreground, there is a green grassy hill with a large tree on the left and several smaller trees on the right. A flock of birds is flying in the sky above the trees.

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COMMUNITY SHOWCASE RING

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EMMA DONOVAN

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