



MEDIA RELEASE

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Funding set to enhance community safety

Melton City Council has welcomed a \$700,000 commitment from the Victorian Government to support programs aimed at enhancing community safety.

On Friday, Minister for Crime Prevention Hon. Natalie Hutchins announced the funding for the City of Melton as part of the Empowering Communities Program.

The Department of Justice and Community Safety has allocated up to \$700,000 over three years for crime prevention and community safety initiatives.

A project action group, made up of representatives from community organisations and services, will outline the initiatives and present them to the minister for sign off.

City of Melton Mayor Cr Kathy Majdlik said she was pleased this work would be undertaken and looked forward to seeing the outcomes.

“Community safety is a critically important priority for Council and it’s great to see community representatives coming together to pinpoint where this funding is most needed,” Cr Majdlik.

“Having this opportunity in the City of Melton is a real win for our residents and I look forward to seeing what projects will be rolled out and the impact they’ll have on the local area.

“Having established the project action group, Council will continue to support the project by facilitating a series of workshops with the group where they’ll determine the initiatives they propose to the minister.

“It’s positive to see the state government supporting community safety in the City of Melton with this funding.”

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