

# Media Release

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## NEW FAMILY AND SPORTS FACILITIES FOR CASEY

New and expanded facilities for families and sporting clubs in Casey are on the way thanks to support from the Andrews Labor Government's *Growing Suburbs Fund*.

Local Government Minister Shaun Leane has announced Casey City Council will receive \$3.5 million towards three projects from the 2021 round of the Fund, which helps Melbourne's rapidly developing interface and peri-urban councils deliver high-quality facilities for their communities.

The three funded projects include:

- \$2 million to redevelop the Pearcedale Recreation Reserve pavilion as a multipurpose facility for Australian rules, netball and cricket, as well as community events.
- \$917,000 to expand and upgrade the Littlecroft Family and Community Centre in Narre Warren South, creating more space for kindergarten, maternal child health services and other community programs.
- \$610,000 to upgrade the Woodbine Children's Centre, refurbishing two kindergarten rooms, maternal child health and community rooms.

The *Growing Suburbs Fund* has now invested more than \$35.9 million towards 24 projects across Casey, including sports facilities in Cranbourne North and Clyde North that recently began construction.

Since its establishment in 2015, the *Growing Suburbs Fund* has facilitated \$913.2 million in local infrastructure, created more than 8,880 jobs and supported 253 projects across Melbourne's fastest-growing areas.

For more information on the *Growing Suburbs Fund* and other local government grants programs, visit [localgovernment.vic.gov.au](http://localgovernment.vic.gov.au).

### Quotes attributable to Minister for Local Government Shaun Leane

*"Every Growing Suburbs Fund project we support helps deliver vital facilities, creates jobs and makes a real difference for our fastest-growing communities."*

*"Whether it's a new kindergarten or a sports pavilion, facilities like these help make sure everyone in greater Melbourne gets the chance to thrive."*

### Quote attributable Member for Cranbourne Pauline Richards

*"The Growing Suburbs Fund is all about helping communities grow and ensuring that people in areas like Casey have access to the services they need."*

### Quote attributable Member for Narre Warren South Gary Maas

*"The upgrade of the Littlecroft Family and Community Centre will ensure that families in Narre Warren South have access to kindergarten, maternal child and health and allied health services."*

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