

# Media Release

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## NEW LOOK PLAYSPACE AND COMMUNITY HUB FOR CITY OF HUME

The Andrews Labor Government has delivered a new playspace in Hume and announced a major investment in a new community hub in Broadmeadows through its landmark *Growing Suburbs Fund*.

Minister for Local Government Shaun Leane and Member for Broadmeadows Frank McGuire today officially opened the playground upgrade at Kirwan Park, near Greenvale Reservoir in the south of the fast-growing Hume community.

The project received \$117,500 from the 2020-21 round of the *Growing Suburbs Fund*, which supports projects that support better services, connections and opportunities for the local community.

The new playspace features new modern, sustainable, and locally made playground equipment, including swings, a cubby house and rock steppers. The area surrounding the playground has also been updated with new seating, picnic tables, garden beds and trees to provide natural shade on hot days.

The project will be delivered by the Hume City Council, which has contributed \$117,500 towards the works.

The Labor Government also announced Hume City Council will receive \$1.5 million to develop a community hub at the new Rugby League Centre of Excellence at Seabrook Reserve in Broadmeadows.

The construction of a community hub at Seabrook Reserve will provide much needed community space for residents of Broadmeadows.

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

*"The Growing Suburbs Fund provides crucial community infrastructure and is delivering results and local jobs for our fast-growing communities."*

*"The new playspace and major investment in the community hub are great examples of the difference this Fund is making in communities across outer Melbourne."*

### Quotes attributable to Member for Broadmeadows Frank McGuire

*"I'm delighted to continue our support for our thriving community through projects like the new community hub at the Rugby League Centre of Excellence. This is a fantastic partnership combining sport and education for better opportunities in life through the Field of Dreams project and the Global Learning Village network."*

*"The community also appreciates the Growing Suburbs Fund delivering projects like the Kirwan Park upgrade, providing a new playground for children and families to enjoy."*

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