

Media Release

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CHILDREN'S FARM UPGRADE AND MORE SPACE TO PLAY IN CASEY

The popular community and children's farm in Myuna will be upgraded thanks to support from the Andrews Labor Government's *Growing Suburbs Fund*.

Minister for Local Government Shaun Leane today joined Member for Dandenong Gabrielle Williams at the Myuna Farm to announce a pavilion redevelopment, which is one of a number of projects Casey City Council will revitalise for the growing community, through more than \$3.2 million from the Labor Government fund.

More than \$350,000 will go towards improvements to the Myuna community and children's farm community pavilion to make it more accessible and better catered to community needs.

While the much-loved Ray Bastin Reserve, home to the 'Spacerocket Park', will also be redeveloped to the tune of \$1.6 million to include more opportunities for exercise and play.

The Gwendoline Children's Centre will also be upgraded to support more families in the Berwick area, thanks to more than \$920,000.

Council will also receive \$350,000 to redevelop Tooradin Public Hall in a bid to support more community members as the population grows.

The Growing Suburbs Fund helps Melbourne's rapidly developing interface and peri-urban councils deliver high-quality facilities for their communities.

The fund has invested more than \$39.17 million towards 28 projects across Casey, including a major redevelopment of the Pearcedale Recreation Reserve Pavilion and expansion of the Littlecroft Family and Community Centre in Narre Warren South.

For more information on the Growing Suburbs Fund and other local government grants programs, visit localgovernment.vic.gov.au.

To find out more about the projects helping communities and businesses thrive in your local area, visit delivering.vic.gov.au.

Quote attributable to Minister for Local Government Shaun Leane

"We're supporting Casey City Council to upgrade these popular community facilities so more people can enjoy them now and into the future."

Quote attributable to Member for Dandenong Gabrielle Williams

"It has been great to come out to Myuna Farm and see firsthand the difference this funding will make to families and children who come here to learn about Australian farming and sustainability."

Quote attributable to Member for Narre Warren South Garry Maas

"Projects like the Gwendoline Children's Centre Upgrade ensure that families in Casey have access to the essential services like Kindergarten and Maternal and Child Health that they need to thrive."

Quote attributable to Member for Narre Warren North Luke Donnellan

"The improvements to the Ray Bastin Reserve will be great for the community and will ensure families and community members of all ages have a place to come to connect and enjoy the outdoors."

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