



City of Ballarat Advocacy Priority Projects Pipeline

(September 2024)





The City of Ballarat acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the land we live and work on, the Wadawurrung and Dja Dja Wurrung People, and recognises their continuing connection to the land and waterways.

We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging and extend this to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People.

Message from Mayor and Councillors

It is a pleasure to present City of Ballarat's Advocacy Priority Projects Pipeline.

These projects will bring quality-of-life benefits for Ballarat residents and for people in our region who regularly use our city's community, educational, health, recreation and cultural facilities and services.

Ballarat is a community and service centre for 160,000 people in the Central Highlands Region and 300,000 people living in Western Victoria.

These projects will have a profound, and in some cases, generational impact, delivering economic, environmental and social benefits far beyond the boundaries of our municipality.

Revenue Sources

With limited capacity to raise revenue (rate capping), and with fees and charges controlled by legislation, Councils are increasingly dependent on grants funding, election commitments and budget allocations to fund major infrastructure projects.

These factors, coupled with inflation and increasing construction costs, limit City of Ballarat's capacity to deliver key projects without funding from the Victorian and Australian Governments.

Successful Partnerships

In recent years City of Ballarat has successfully partnered with the Victorian and Australian Governments to facilitate the delivery of essential infrastructure across the municipality.

Our local Members of Parliament have been strong advocates for these projects - their support has been invaluable. Thank you on behalf of the people of Ballarat.

City of Ballarat will continue to work with both levels of government to secure funding to deliver City of Ballarat's Advocacy Priority Projects Pipeline.

Mayor and Councillors
City of Ballarat



City of Ballarat Snapshot



Size and Growth

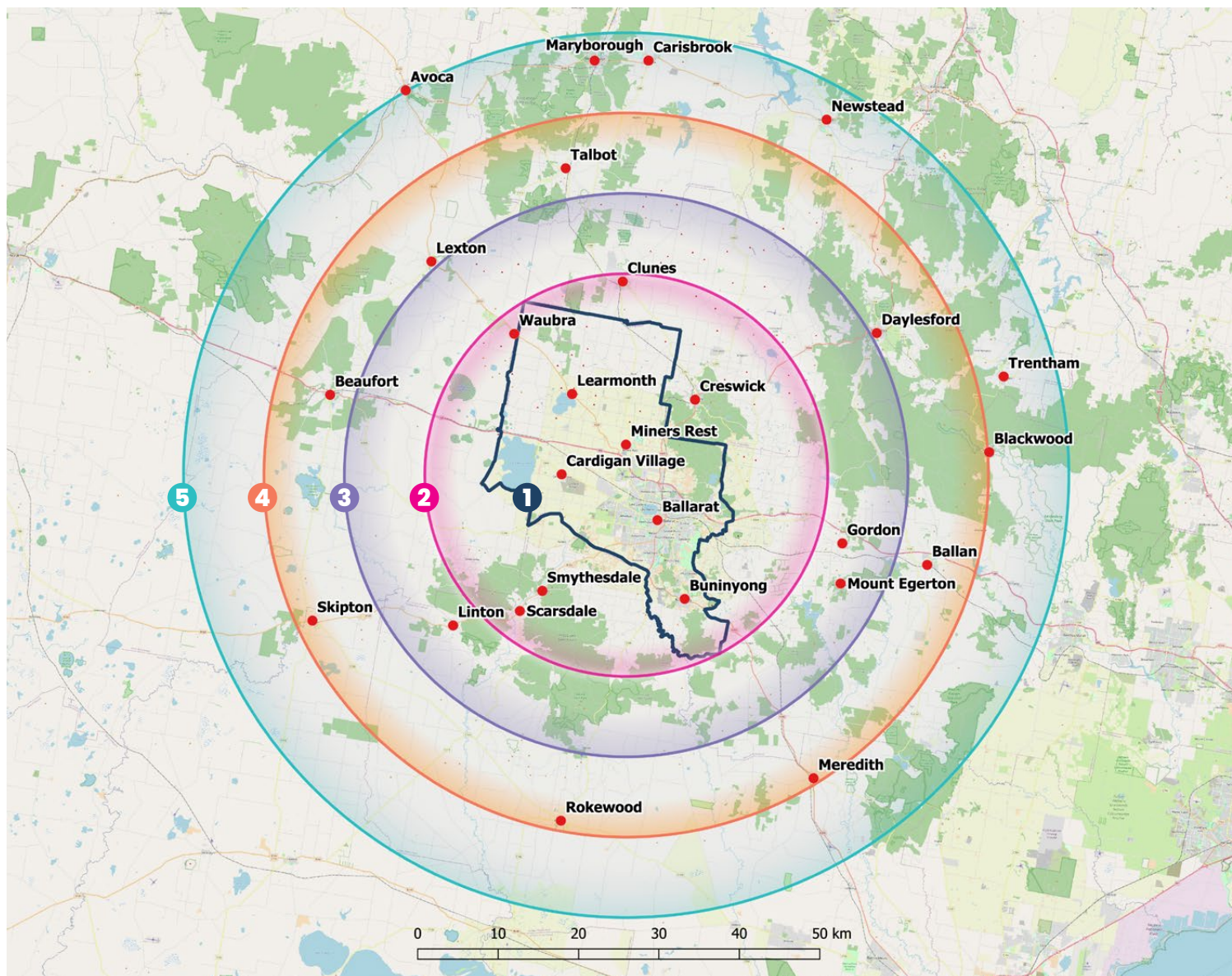
- Population 2021**
113,763 (Source: ABS Census 2021)
- Population estimate 2023**
117,240 (Source: forecast.id)
- Population growth**
1.9 per cent
- Population forecast for 2036**
144,000
- Population forecast for 2041**
170,000
- Population growth 2016–2023**
13.2 per cent (Source: profile.id)
- Area**
738 km²

People

- Median Age**
39
- Residents aged 0–17**
22.6 per cent
- Residents aged 60+**
24.7 per cent
- Population born overseas**
11.3 per cent (Source: ABS Census 2021)
- Residents who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander**
1.8 per cent (Source: profile.id)

Economy

- Gross Regional Product 2022**
\$8.3 billion, 10.3 per cent growth on 2021 (Source: REMPLAN Economy)
- Key sectors for employment 2022:**
 - Health Care and Social Assistance**
21.5 per cent
 - Education and Training**
10.9 per cent
 - Retail trade**
10.8 per cent
 - Construction**
10.3 per cent
 - Manufacturing**
7.8 per cent (Source Remplan)
- Top industries by output 2022:**
 - Manufacturing**
22 per cent
 - Construction**
15.9 per cent
 - Healthcare and social assistance**
9.2 per cent
 - Rental, hiring and real estate services**
8.1 per cent
 - Education and training**
5.0 per cent (Source: Remplan)



Population Statistics per geographical area
(Source: ABS Census 2021)

Area	Population
1 City of Ballarat LGA	113,763
2 City of Ballarat Circle	136,564
3 City of Ballarat Circle + 10 km	146,800
4 City of Ballarat Circle + 20 km	161,480
5 City of Ballarat Circle + 30 km	181,811

Sphere of influence

A service centre for 160,000 people in the Central Highlands Region and 300,000 people in Western Victoria.

Tier 1

Transformational projects of regional significance leading to job creation, increased investment, greater sustainability, better transport options and improved social outcomes.

Tier 2

These projects of municipality-wide significance will attract visitation and provide an economic boost for business, increase educational opportunities and access to early years programs, improve accessibility and connectivity and provide an improved quality of life for residents

Tier 3

These projects of local significance will enhance the everyday lives of residents, improve the liveability of neighborhoods, create a greater sense of community and more opportunities for residents to enjoy active lifestyles, bringing social, health and wellbeing benefits.



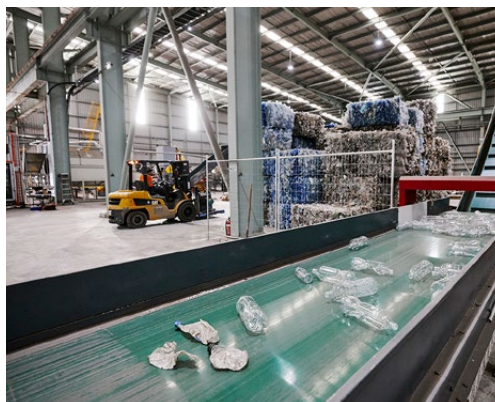
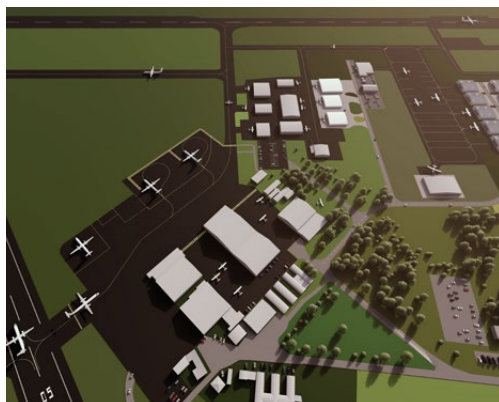


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1 Ballarat Airport Strategy and Master Plan (Page 20)

Project Elements/Cost

- Stage 2 of runway 18/36 upgrade (reconstruction of the existing 1,250 metre section): \$12 million
- Refurbishment of existing aircraft apron and airport terminal building: \$4 million

Investment Needed

- Stage 2 of runway 18/36 upgrade: Up to \$12 million
- Refurbishment of existing aircraft apron and airport terminal building: Up to \$4 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes.

2 Circular Economy Precinct (CEP) (Page 22)

Project Elements/Cost

- Land: TBD
- Materials Recovery Facility: \$37.1 million
- Partnership with government and the private sector for CEP foundational infrastructure

Investment Needed

- 5.2 ha parcel of land at the Ballarat West Employment Zone (BWEZ)
- Materials Recovery Facility: \$37.1 million
- Three way partnership to deliver CEP foundational infrastructure

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$4.8 million

3 Dyson Drive Duplication (Page 24)

Project Cost

- \$67.9 million
- Planning and design: \$4.5 million
- Delivery: \$63.4 million

Investment Needed

- Detailed design and planning: \$4.5 million
- Balance of funding once design and planning (including land acquisition) is complete

City of Ballarat Investment

- Design and survey works: \$150,000

4 Eastwood Community Hub (Page 27)

Project Cost

- \$17.8 million

Investment Needed

- \$8.9 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$8.9 million

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5 Wendouree Library and Learning Centre (Page 29)

Project Cost
\$23 million

Investment Needed
• Up to \$23 million

City of Ballarat Investment
• TBD. City of Ballarat is seeking to partner with State and Federal Governments to deliver the project.





Tier 1 Projects	
1	Ballarat Airport Strategy and Master Plan (STAMP)
2	Circular Economy Precinct
3	Dyson Drive Duplication
4	Eastwood Community Hub Project
5	Wendouree Library and Learning Centre

Note: All project costs are subject to inflationary pressures leading to cost escalations

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FUNDED

1 Art Gallery of Ballarat Interior Upgrades (Page 32)

- Project Cost \$5.5 million
- Heritage wall lining: \$490,000
 - Upgrade of HVAC System: \$5 million

Investment Needed

- Heritage wall lining: \$445,000
- Upgrade of HVAC System: Up to \$4.6 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Heritage wall lining: \$45,000
- New HVAC System: \$400,000

2 Ballarat Bus Network Review (Page 34)

Not costed (Victorian Government)

3 Ballarat-Carngham Road Upgrade (Page 35)

Not costed (Victorian Government)

FUNDED

4 Ballarat Regional Strategic Transport Assessment (Page 41)

Project Cost \$160,000

Investment Secured

- \$60,000 – Victorian Government Flexible Local Transport Solutions Program

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$100,000, in partnership with Central Goldfields, Golden Plains, Hepburn, Moorabool and Pyrenees Shires

5 Ballarat Regional Soccer Facility – Elite Sports Package (Page 36)

Project Cost \$2.9 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$2.9 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

6 Ballarat West Growth Area Primary School and Secondary School (Page 37)

Not costed (Victorian Government)

7 Continuous Voices Memorial (Page 39)

Project Cost \$1.5 million

Investment Needed

- \$500,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$520,000

Victorian Government Funding

- \$500,000

Kindergarten Upgrade package

8 Brown Hill Kindergarten Expansion (Page 46)

Project Cost \$2.7 million

Investment Needed

- \$1.5 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$1.2 million

9 Buninyong Kindergarten Expansion (Page 47)

Project Cost \$3.5 million

Investment Needed

- \$1.5 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$2 million



11 Delacombe Community Hub
(Page 48)

Project Cost \$12.1 million

Investment Needed

- \$9.7 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$2.4 million - Including Development Contribution Plan funding

12 Delacombe Community Kindergarten Expansion
(Page 49)

Project Cost \$3 million

Investment Needed

- \$2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$1 million

FUNDED

13 Lucas Community Hub Expansion
(Page 50)

Project Cost \$2.5 million

Investment Secured

- \$1.5 million - Victorian Government Building Blocks Capacity Building Grant

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$1 million

FUNDED

14 Sebastopol Community Hub
(Page 51)

Project Cost \$14 million

Investment Secured

- \$4.5 million - Victorian Government Building Blocks Capacity Building Grant
- \$4.5 million - Australian Government Investing in Our Communities Program

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$5 million

15 Winter Valley Community Hub
(Page 53)

Project Cost \$12.1 million

Investment Needed

- \$6.75 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$5.35 million - Including Development Contribution Plan funding

16 Mair Street Stage 2
(Page 54)

Not costed (Victorian Government)

17 Royal Park Community Hub, Buninyong Stage 2
(Page 55)

Project Cost \$2.4 million

Investment Needed

- \$1.2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$1.2 million

18 Victorian Goldfields World Heritage Bid
(Page 56)

Project Cost \$1.7 million

Investment Needed

- \$1.52 million - Victorian Government plus partnership co-contributions

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$180,000 subject to Council budget processes (over three years)

19 Victoria Park Major Events Precinct
(Page 58)

Project Cost \$5.3 million

Investment Needed

- \$3.6 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$1.7 million

20 Yarrowee River Package
(Page 60)

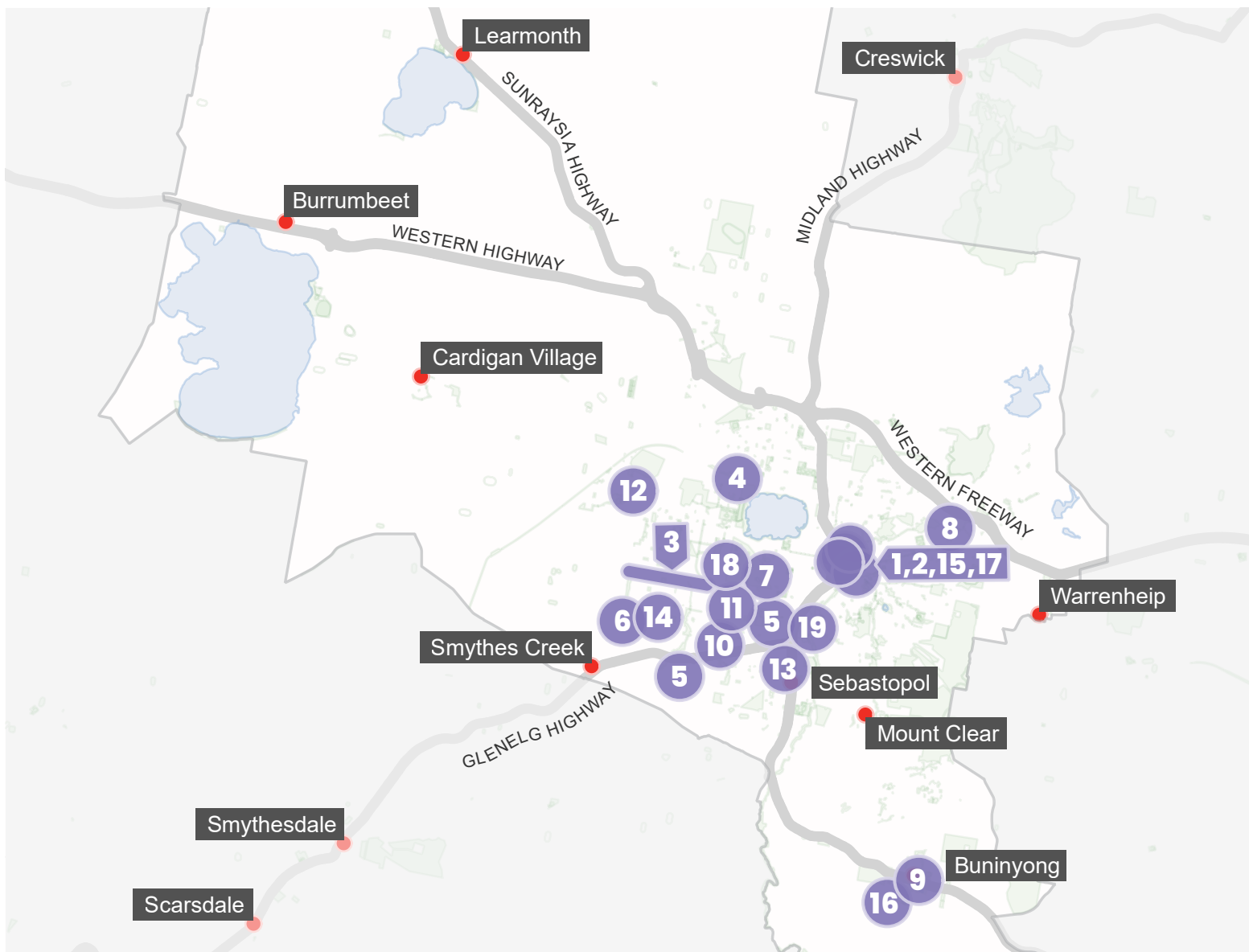
Project Cost Up to \$5 million TBD - Fully scalable

Investment Needed

- Up to \$5 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes



Tier 2 projects

- 1** Art Gallery of Ballarat Interior Upgrades
- 2** Ballarat Bus Network Review
- 3** Ballarat-Carngham Road Upgrade
- 4** Ballarat Regional Strategic Transport Assessment
- 5** Ballarat Regional Soccer Facility - Elite Sports Package
- 6** Ballarat West Growth Area Primary School and Secondary School
- 7** Continuous Voices Memorial
- 8** Brown Hill Kindergarten Expansion
- 9** Buninyong Kindergarten Expansion
- 10** Delacombe Community Hub
- 11** Delacombe Community Kindergarten Expansion
- 12** Lucas Community Hub Expansion
- 13** Sebastopol Community Hub
- 14** Winter Valley Community Hub
- 15** Mair Street Stage 2
- 16** Royal Park Community Hub, Buninyong Stage 2
- 17** Victorian Goldfields World Heritage Bid
- 18** Victoria Park Major Events Precinct
- 19** Yarrowee River Package

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1 Ballarat East Town Hall Gardens Restoration
(Page 62)

Project Cost \$5 million - Fully scalable, detailed costings expected in early 2024.

Investment Needed

- Up to \$5 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

2 Brown Hill Recreation Reserve Cricket Nets
(Page 62)

Project Cost \$650,000

Investment Needed

- Up to \$650,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

3 Brown Hill Recreation Reserve Oval Redevelopment
(Page 63)

Project Cost \$1.2 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$1.2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

4 Buninyong Recreation Reserve Cricket Nets
(Page 63)

Project Cost \$650,000

Investment Needed

- Up to \$650,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$650,000

5 Buninyong Recreation Reserve Electronic Scoreboard
(Page 64)

Project Cost \$130,000

Investment Secured

- \$130,000

6 Buninyong Recreation Reserve Netball Courts and Lighting
(Page 64)

Project Cost \$1.2 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$1.2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$1.2 million

7 Len T Fraser Reserve Regional Skate Park Expansion
(Page 65)

Project Cost \$2.2 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$2.2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$2.2 million

8 Mount Clear Recreation Reserve Oval 2 Redevelopment
(Page 65)

Project Cost \$830,000

Investment Needed

- Up to \$830,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$830,000

9 Mount Clear Recreation Reserve Netball Court Redevelopment
(Page 66)

Project Cost \$450,000

Investment Needed

- Up to \$450,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$450,000

10 Russell Square North Oval Redevelopment
(Page 66)

Project Cost \$2 million

Investment Needed

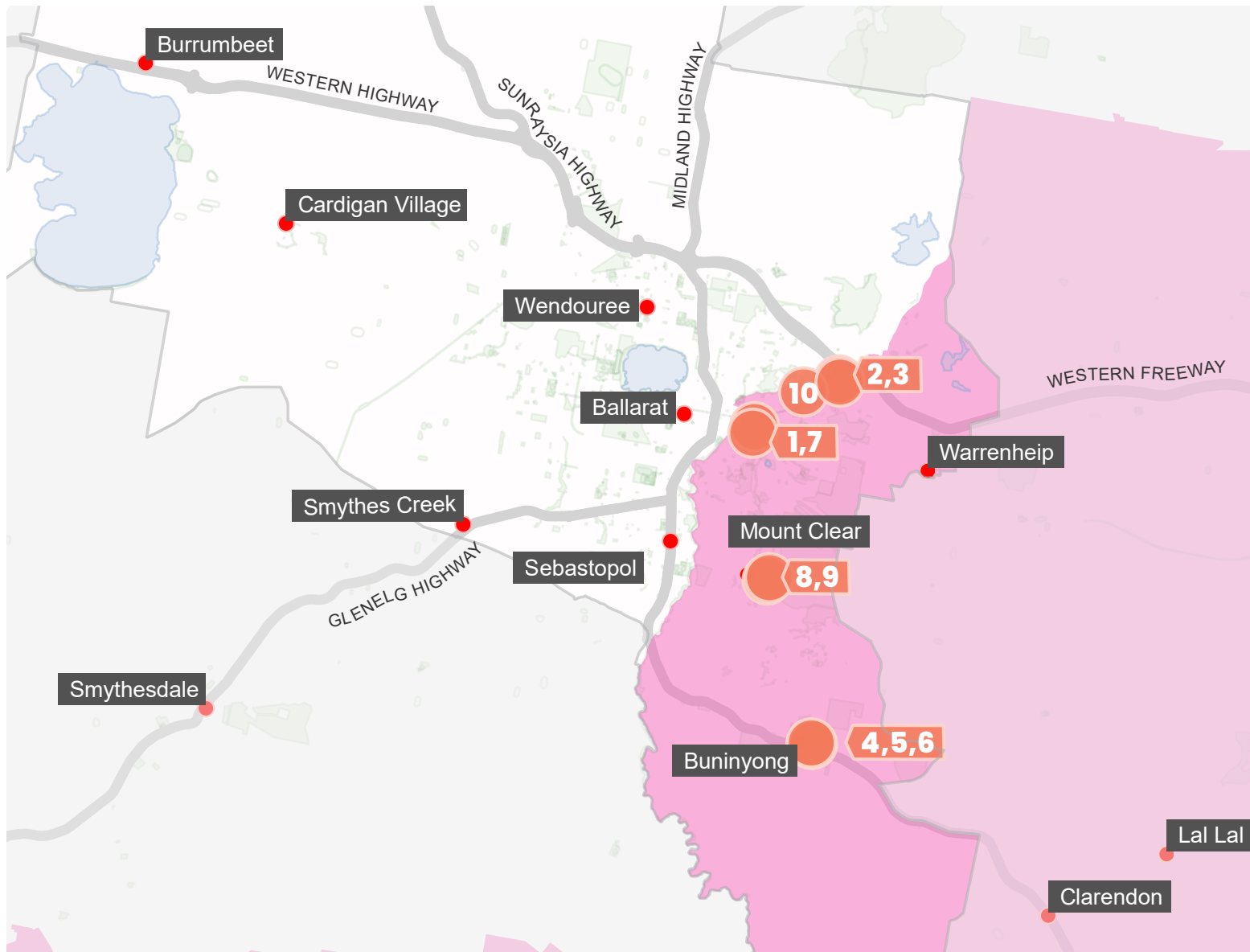
- Up to \$2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

FUNDED

5 Buninyong Recreation Reserve Electronic Scoreboard (Page 64)
Project Cost \$130,000
Investment Secured
• \$130,000



Tier 3 projects - Eureka	
1	Ballarat East Town Hall Gardens Restoration
2	Brown Hill Recreation Reserve Cricket Nets
3	Brown Hill Recreation Reserve Oval Redevelopment
4	Buninyong Recreation Reserve Cricket Nets
5	Buninyong Recreation Reserve Electronic Scoreboard
6	Buninyong Recreation Reserve Netball Courts and Lighting
7	Len T Fraser Reserve Regional Skate Park Expansion
8	Mount Clear Recreation Reserve Oval 2 Redevelopment
9	Mount Clear Recreation Reserve Netball Court Redevelopment
10	Russell Square North Oval Redevelopment

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1 Burrumbeet Cricket Club Social Room

(Page 68)

Project Cost \$250,000

Investment Needed

- \$130,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$120,000

2 Learmonth Oval Renovation and Oval Lighting

(Page 68)

Project Cost \$1.6 million

Investment Needed

- \$1.6 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$1.6 million

3 Miners Rest Splash Park

(Page 69)

Project Cost \$1.7 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$1.7 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

4 Miners Rest Skate Facility

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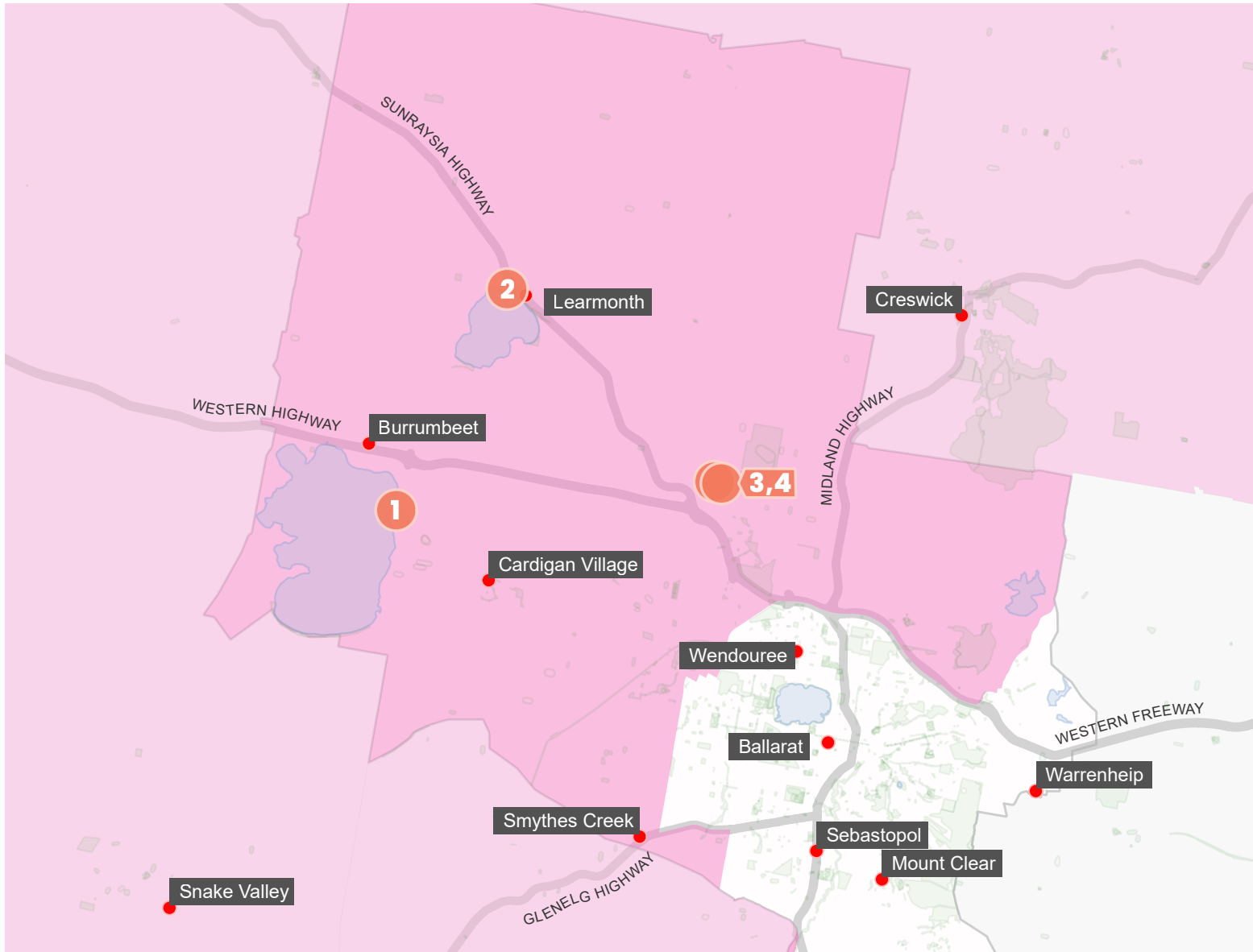
Project Cost \$350,000

Investment Needed

- Up to \$350,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes



Tier 3 projects - Ripon

- 1 Burrumbeet Cricket Club Social Room**
- 2 Learmonth Oval Renovation and Oval Lighting**
- 3 Miners Rest Splash Park**
- 4 Miners Rest Skate Facility**

Note: All project costs are subject to inflationary pressures leading to cost escalations

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FUNDED

1 Ballarat Aquatic and Lifestyle Centre Changing Places Facility (Page 71)

Project Cost \$997,499

Investment Secured

- \$748,124 - Victorian Government Regional Community Sports Infrastructure Fund

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$249,375

2 Black Hill Reserve Public Toilets (Page 71)

Project Cost \$250,000

Investment Needed

- Up to \$250,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

3 City Oval Change Rooms (Page 72)

Project Cost \$2.2 million

Investment Needed

- \$2.2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$2.2 million

4 City Oval – New Electronic Scoreboard (Page 72)

Project Cost \$130,000

Investment Needed

- Up to \$130,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

5 Doug Dean Reserve Oval Upgrade (Page 73)

Project Cost \$1.5 million+

Investment Needed

- Up to \$1.5 million+

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

6 M.R. Power Park Oval and Lighting/ Pavilion Development (Page 73)

Project Cost \$3.2 million

- New oval and lighting: \$1.6 million
- Pavilion: \$1.6 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$3.2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes with potential funding through the Development Contributions Fund

FUNDED

7 North Oval 2 (Frank Bourke Oval) facilities and Lighting Upgrade (Page 74)

Project Cost \$5 million

Investment Secured

- \$5 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

8 Prince of Wales Park Hockey Refurbishment of Changerooms (Page 74)

Project Cost \$850,000

Investment Needed

- Up to \$850,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

9 Wendouree (CE Brown Reserve) Oval 2 Redevelopment and Lighting (Page 75)

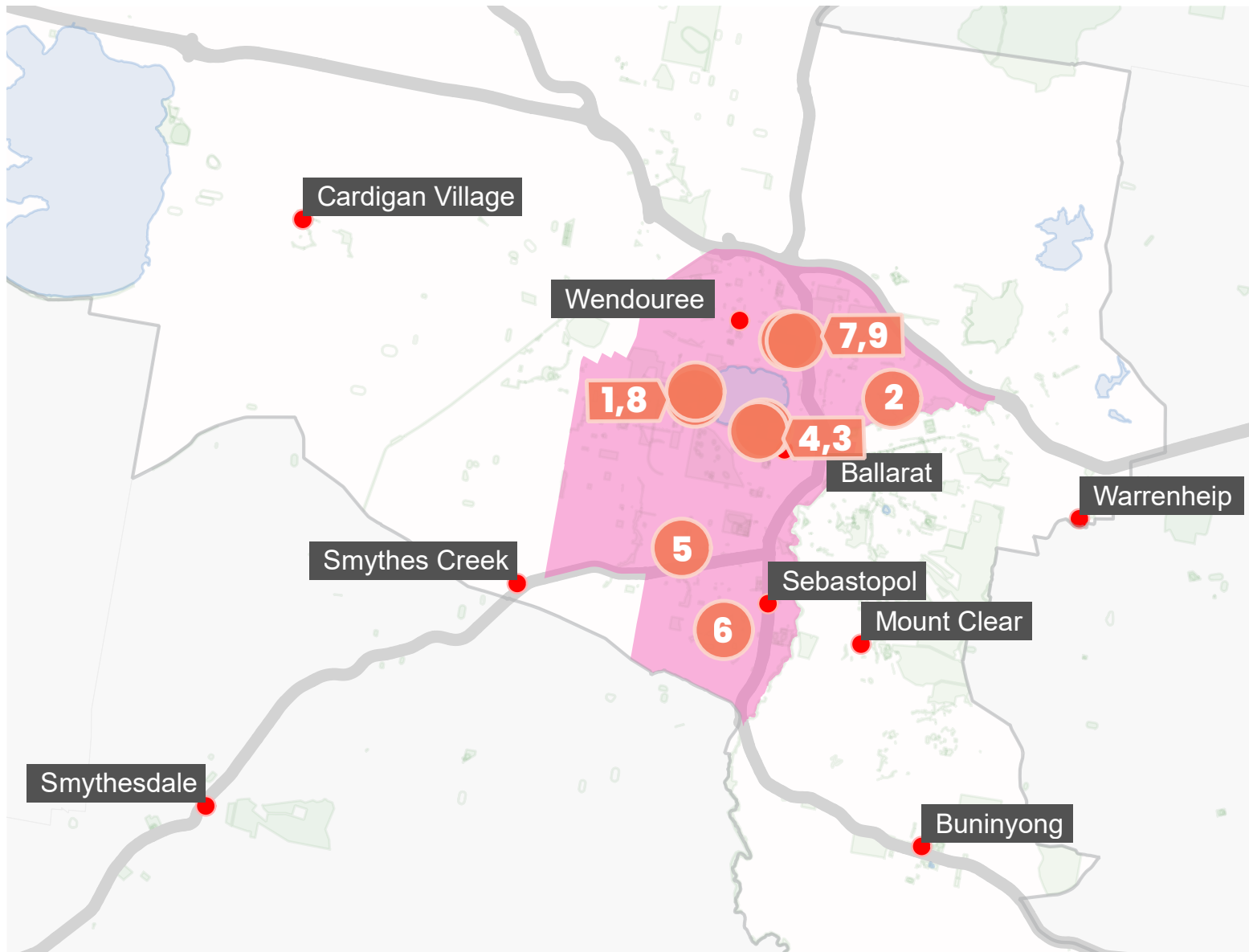
Project Cost \$1.6 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$1.6 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$1.6 million



Tier 3 projects - Wendouree

- 1 **Ballarat Aquatic and Lifestyle Centre Changing Places Facility**
- 2 **Black Hill Reserve Public Toilets**
- 3 **City Oval Change Rooms**
- 4 **City Oval - New Electronic Scoreboard**
- 5 **Doug Dean Reserve Oval Upgrade**
- 6 **M.R. Power Park Oval and Lighting/ Pavilion Development**
- 7 **North Oval 2 (Frank Bourke Oval) Facilities and Lighting Upgrades**
- 8 **Prince of Wales Park Hockey Refurbishment of Changerooms**
- 9 **Wendouree (CE Brown Reserve) Oval 2 Redevelopment and Lighting**

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Ballarat Airport Strategy and Master Plan (STAMP) Implementation

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Project Cost

- Stage 2 of runway 18/36 upgrade (reconstruction of the existing 1,250 metre section): \$12 million
- Refurbishment of existing aircraft apron and airport terminal building: \$4 million

Investment Needed

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City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

Project Description

Runway Upgrade

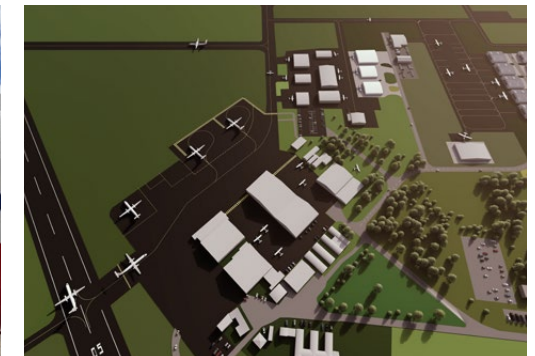
The Ballarat Airport STAMP identifies a series of priority actions to upgrade Ballarat Airport’s capability and the services it can provide to Ballarat and the region.

The highest priority action from the STAMP is stage 2 of the runway upgrade, which involves reconstruction of the existing 1,250 metre section of the airport’s main runway.

This section – which was built at the start of World War 2 – is at the end of its operational life and needs replacement. The present runway strength only allows light aircraft to take off or land.

Terminal and Apron: The existing terminal and apron area (where aircraft are parked, loaded, and unloaded) needs to be upgraded to accommodate existing aeromedical services and large passenger aircraft which could be attracted to operate into Ballarat Airport when the runway capability permits.

These upgrades will ensure regulatory compliance and create an efficient connection between the airport’s landside areas (accessible to the public) and airside areas (accessible only to airport staff and passengers).



The ageing infrastructure at the airport needs to be upgraded so the full suite of medical transport services can continue to be provided to residents living in western Victoria.

Ballarat Airport Strategy and Master Plan continues on next page ➤

Ballarat Airport Strategy and Master Plan continued

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Essential services – medical transport services

The ageing infrastructure at the airport needs to be upgraded so the full suite of medical transport services can continue to be provided to residents living in western Victoria.

These services include Air Ambulance neonatal and paediatric patient transfers to Melbourne, and non-emergency patient transfers. Without upgrades, the risk is some patients will have to be transferred by road or wait longer for a smaller aircraft to become available.

A Royal Flying Doctor Service pilot made these observations about the Ballarat Airport main runway:

Of all the runways we go to in Victoria, this is the roughest and causes the most damage to aircraft. If it continues as it is, we won't be able to fly into Ballarat.

Essential services – bushfire response

An upgraded runway will enable most aircraft types operated within Australia to fly in and out of Ballarat Airport. This may mean having the large aerial tanker (LAT) fleet based in Ballarat, much closer to fire risk areas than where these aircraft are currently based.

This would greatly reduce the time it takes for LATs to reach bushfires in the Central Highlands and Western Victoria, areas which are often at risk of major bushfires for many months each year.

Investment Attraction

Completing the upgrade to the remaining runway would allow further exploration of the opportunity to attract a passenger service in and out of Ballarat. This is supported by data showing that there is currently between 1200-1600 people a day from the wider Ballarat catchment flying out of Melbourne Airport (Tullamarine) each day. Ballarat is presently the 17th largest city in Australia – but is one of few places in the top 50 by population without a regular airline service.

Economic benefits

The evidence from localities around Australia indicates that regional aviation positively impacts on the local economy, in particular the earnings of local residents.

The benefits of aviation and airports to the local economy show up in many ways:

- lower costs of doing business because of the ease of travel over distances that would be onerous by road
- greater competition due to readier access to alternative markets and suppliers

- improved ability to bring in and send out specialised personnel
- increased investment: a fly in-fly out option improves capacity for investors to effortlessly visit Ballarat to familiarise themselves with the city and to meet prospective clients and business partners
- Potential to attract passenger service stimulating tourism visitation and business travel
- Improved transport access for Ballarat residents contributing to an enhanced quality of life and destination attraction for potential new residents.

Capitalising on previous investment

- Stage 2 of the runway 18/36 upgrade will allow the benefits of the Stage 1 project to be fully realised
- Stage 1 – which was co-funded by the Federal Government and the City of Ballarat – added 550 metres to the main runway, taking it to 1,800 metres in length.

Location

- Ballarat Airport, Airport Road, Mitchell Park

Status

- The recommendations and objectives set out in the STAMP are currently being reviewed by the City of Ballarat and – where revenue-generating or minimal cost – are being implemented
- Funding opportunities for the significant infrastructure projects in the STAMP are being explored while existing projects are completed
- It is anticipated that the runway 18/36 extension will be fully operational in early 2025, with the first LAT due to arrive for heavy maintenance at the newly constructed Field Air complex at the end of the summer fire season.

Timeline and next steps

- Liberator Drive construction – due for completion December 2024
- Runway 18/36 extension project – ready for operational use from February 2025
- Start runway upgrade stage 2 (if funding is secured) – March 2026
- Start terminal and apron works (subject to Council budget processes) – July 2026

Circular Economy Precinct

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Project Elements/Cost

- Land: TBD
- Materials Recovery Facility (MRF): \$37.1 million
- Partnership with government and the private sector for CEP foundational infrastructure

Investment Needed

Land

- A 5.2 hectare parcel of land at the Ballarat West Employment Zone (BWEZ) to establish a Circular Economy Precinct (CEP)
- Current application to Development Victoria’s Stage 3B Circular Economy Precinct BWEZ Request for Expression of Interest process
- One and a half hectares of the land parcel will be set aside for a MRF

Materials Recovery Facility

- \$37.1 million for site infrastructure/ equipment costs, excluding land. The MRF is the foundational infrastructure for the CEP
- Current application to the Victorian Government’s Regional Recycling Fund for \$13.1 million toward MRF establishment costs, given the facility will service parts of the Grampians Central West Region

- Government assistance will be required to facilitate private investment to establish the MRF

Partnership

Seeking a three way partnership with government and the private sector to deliver the MRF.

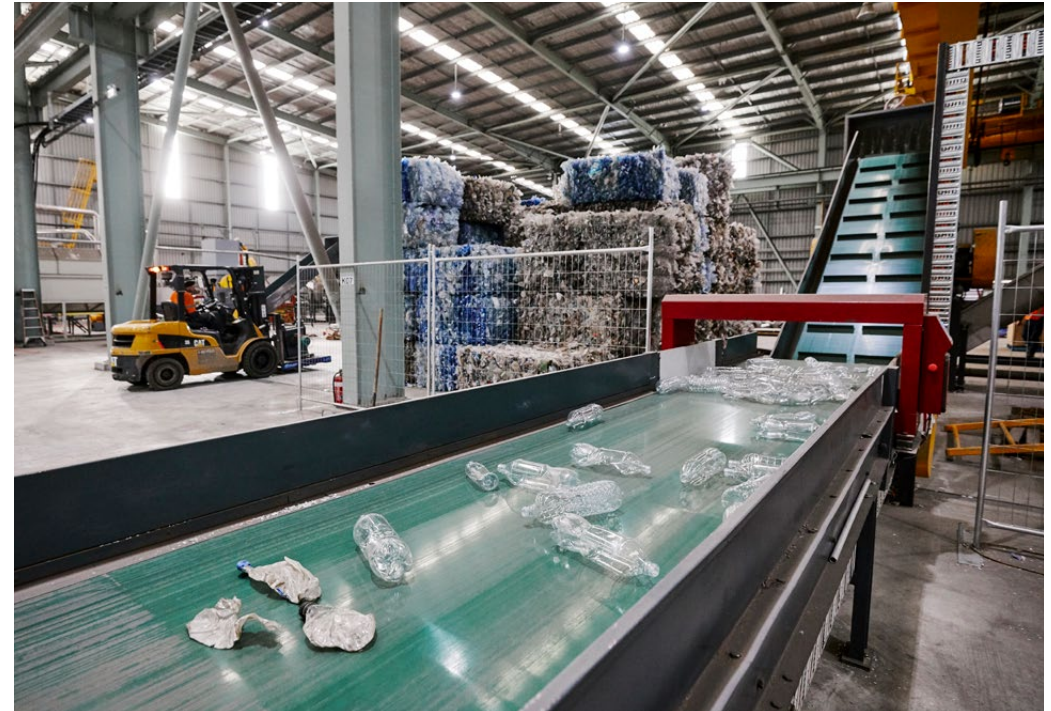
City of Ballarat Investment

- \$4.8 million allocated for a CEP at BWEZ.

Project Description

A CEP, anchored by a MRF, will be a regional centre fostering a sustainable approach to waste management, innovation and job creation. It will:

- Make the region more self-sufficient in its waste management
- Ensure the value of recyclables is retained and enhanced locally
- Reduce transport costs and related emissions
- Deliver cost efficiencies for residents, councils and business



Circular Economy Precinct continues on next page >

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The Ballarat Regional MRF will

- Have capacity to sort up to 30,000 tonnes of recyclables annually
- Including kerbside recyclables from City of Ballarat and councils in the Grampians West Region
- Provide opportunities for commercial and industrial commingled waste sorting and recycling

Community Benefit

Circular economy-focused solutions for City of Ballarat's waste streams will:

- Reduce the impact and costs associated with waste management
- Facilitate development of a true circular economy
- Show councils and governments are leading in approaches to environmental sustainability

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Emissions Reductions

A CEP and MRF will support the establishment locally of waste management businesses and infrastructure, reducing the need for the transportation of regional waste to metropolitan areas for processing.

This will mean:

- Annual savings of approximately 65,000 kms
- Almost \$750,000 savings in transport cost
- Associated emissions savings of approximately 65t CO₂-equivalent.

Job Creation

Jobs during construction, plus 68 FTEs (24 direct and 44 flow-on) once the MRF is operational

Responding to Government Policy

The project aligns with federal and state circular economy and recycling policies including:

- National Circular Economy Roadmap, National Waste Policy 2019
- Australian Infrastructure Audit 2019
- Recycling Victoria Policy
- Regional Recycling Fund
- Regional Circular Economy Plan Grampians Central West

Location

- Stage 3B of the Ballarat West Employment Zone (BWEZ) in Mitchell Park, Victoria (City of Ballarat LGA)

Status

- Discussions ongoing with the Victorian Government, via a multi-agency working group, into the feasibility of a CEP at BWEZ

- Currently preparing a Request for Tender process to establish a MRF in the CEP in collaboration with six neighbouring councils. Expected tender release in 2024

Timeline and next steps

- Secure government support – land and funding – to facilitate delivery of the CEP
- Waiting to be advised if an application to the Regional Recycling Fund has been successful
- Land in Circular Economy Precinct at BWEZ is expected to become available in 2025

Dyson Drive Duplication

Project Cost

\$67.9 million

- Planning and design: \$4.5 million
- Delivery: \$63.4 million

Investment Needed

- Detailed design and planning: \$4.5 million
- Balance of funding once design and planning (including land acquisition) is complete

City of Ballarat Investment

- Design and survey works: \$150,000 in the 2023/24 Council budget.

Project Description

Duplication of Dyson Drive between Remembrance Drive and Ballarat-Carngham Road to create a dual carriageway road and two service lanes. This project is the next stage of the Ballarat Link Road (BLR).

It will drive economic, jobs, and residential growth in the Ballarat West Growth Area (BWGA).

At full construction, Ballarat Link Road will create a 12-kilometre arterial link in Ballarat’s west, providing a regional freight connection between the Ballarat West Employment Zone (BWEZ), four major highways to western, northwest and central Victoria, and to the port of Geelong.

Community Benefit

Upgrading Dyson Drive – the major north south arterial road used by residents in the growth suburbs of Alfredton and Lucas will:

- Facilitate the efficient movement of people and freight through Ballarat’s key residential growth area and BWEZ, the city’s centre of industry.
- Alleviate traffic congestion and traffic volumes
- Improve safety

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Economic impact

- Estimated at \$54.69 million (*Remplan September 2023*).

Job creation

- 293 jobs during construction (*Remplan September 2023*); support jobs in freight, logistics and manufacturing.

Traffic growth

Average daily traffic on Dyson Drive increased from 6,529 in 2016 to 10,490 in 2021.



Site Aerial as of 7 November 2023



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 Dyson Drive Duplication continued

Duplication of Dyson Drive will support existing and future residential growth in Ballarat’s fastest growing suburbs.

Residential growth

5,000 new residents moved into Alfredton, Lucas and Cardigan in the five years to 2022. Duplication of Dyson Drive will support existing and future residential growth in Ballarat’s fastest growing suburbs.

At completion, the entire BWGA will be home to close to 48,500 people.

Economic growth and freight

This next stage of BLR will drive economic growth, linking BWEZ and Ballarat Airport to Geelong and Melbourne ports, creating increased economic opportunity for western Victoria.

Integration with Ballarat-Carngham Road upgrade

Planned duplication of Ballarat-Carngham Road is an enabler of future delivery of Dyson Drive duplication.

Duplication of Dyson Drive is the logical next major road project needed to service population and traffic growth in this area.

Location

- Dyson Drive, Alfredton. Between Remembrance Drive and Ballarat-Carngham Road

Status

- Detailed design works will commence early in 2024 to make the project tender ready, with completion between July-Dec 2024
- Business Case for the full length of BLR is currently being updated and due for completion late December 2024

Timeline and Next Steps

- Secure government funding
- Plan for land acquisition (est. 12 months for acquisition)

Cost of delivery of full length of Ballarat Link Road Next Stages

Stage 1a - Duplication of BLR between Western Freeway and Airport Road / Learmonth Road. To become a dual carriageway.

Total revised cost
\$34,118,640 as of 2/08/2023

Stage 1b - Duplication of BLR between Airport Road / Learmonth Road and Remembrance Drive. To become a dual carriageway.

Total revised cost
\$63,373,147 as of 2/08/2023

Stage 2a - Section between Remembrance Drive and Ballarat Carngham Road. Dual carriageway with service lanes.

Total revised cost
\$63,374,147 as of 2/08/2023

Stage 2b - Section between Ballarat-Carngham Road and Glenelg Highway. Dual carriageway with service roads.

Total revised cost
\$89,819,433 as of 2/08/2023

Stage 2c - Section between Glenelg Highway and Midland Highway. Single carriageway.

Total revised cost
\$109,568,225 as of 2/08/2023

Total estimated Ballarat Link Road Next Stages project cost

\$360,816,677

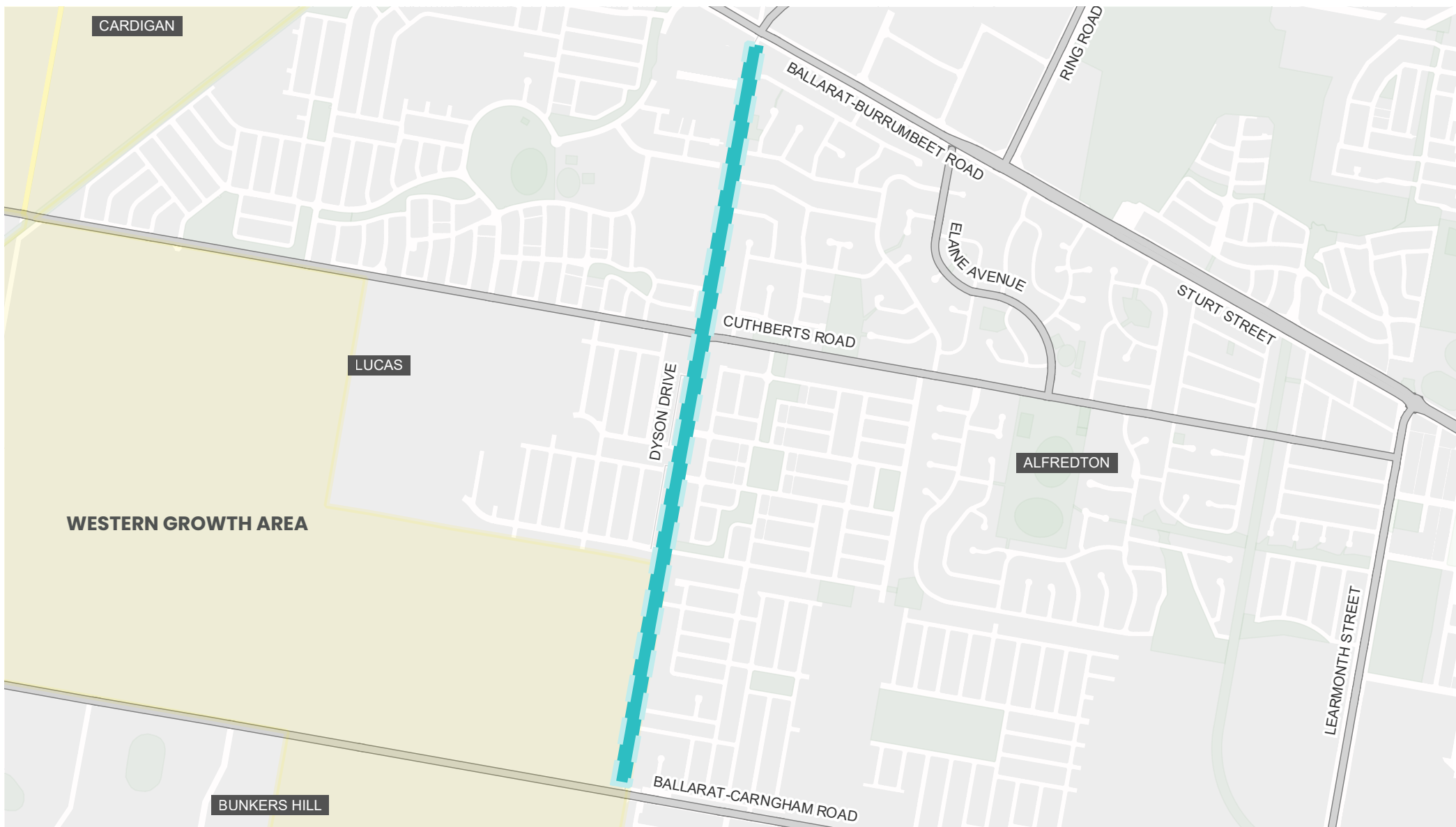
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Eastwood Community Hub

Images: Indicative design only

Project Cost

\$17.8 million

Investment Needed

- \$8.9 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$8.9 million

Project Description

Redevelopment of the Eastwood Leisure Complex to create a new, universally accessible, multi-use community facility with flexible meeting spaces, a medium-sized conference/community space, kitchen, and the provision of female-friendly facilities. The existing basketball stadium will be retained.

Community Benefit

The existing complex is no longer fit for purpose: parts are up to eight decades old, not universally accessible and not compliant with current regulations.

With its central location and easy access to public transport and parking, the centre is one of Ballarat's best used and most loved community facilities, attracting 60,000 visits annually, hosting 14,000 hours of programmed activity, and home to diverse groups from across Ballarat and the wider Central Highlands Region.

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Economic impact

\$41.5 million economic output during construction, up to \$1 million in economic output and more than \$396,000 in business turnover each year after completion.

Job Creation

- 106 jobs during construction, up to five jobs per year ongoing

Social Inclusion

Ballarat Central and surrounding suburbs include a high percentage of lone-person households, at 34.6 per cent it is higher than the Victorian average of 24.7 per cent.

Eastwood Community Hub will help address this by delivering accessible and inclusive spaces, becoming a home for community organisations providing sports and fitness, dance and the arts, lifelong learning, hobbies and support.

A modern, universally accessible building will enable current groups to meet increasing demand and provide opportunities for additional community groups - including more than 30 local multicultural associations which regularly seek an affordable venue to host national days and community events - to use the facility.



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➤ Eastwood Community Hub continued

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Location

- 20 Eastwood Street, Ballarat Central

Status

- Design phase in progress

Timeline and Next Steps

- Completion of detailed design



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Wendouree Library and Learning Centre

Images: Indicative design only

Project Cost

\$23 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$23 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- TBD. City of Ballarat is seeking to partner with State and Federal Governments to deliver the project

Project Description

The new Wendouree Library and Learning Centre (WLLC) will be a creative learning and community space offering a comprehensive library, to Parent Place services, a maker space, community study, activity and relaxation spaces, a café area and free Wi-Fi.

Community Benefit

The WLLC will be a safe, friendly, welcoming place in one of the city's most disadvantaged areas, a meeting place for residents of all ages to study, read and socialise.

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Economic impact

- \$17.8 million in economic impact throughout the construction process

Job creation

- Ongoing 8.96 full time equivalent, with 118.55 jobs during construction

Address disadvantage

The WLLC will address disadvantage by providing improved access to library and computer services for a highly disadvantaged local population.

Social isolation is a major issue for many people in the immediate area, however, the small size of the current library severely limits opportunities to run enough complementary learning and wellbeing programs to meet demand.



Site Aerial as of 3 November 2023

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Wendouree Library and Learning Centre continued

The WLLC will meet the needs of Ballarat's new northern growth zone which is expected to be home to 18,900 new residents in the next 10-15 years.

Respond to Growth

The WLLC will meet the needs of Ballarat's new northern growth zone which is expected to be home to 18,900 new residents in the next 10-15 years.

It will also easy access for residents in the Ballarat West Growth Area which is forecast to accommodate 48,500 people by 2035-2040, and also for those living in small townships to the north and northwest of the City of Ballarat.

Voter appeal

The existing library, which is in a re-purposed shopfront at Stockland Wendouree is extremely small, has a limited collection and no capacity to expand programs to meet demand.

The concept for the WLLC has been warmly embraced during community engagement sessions.

Location

- On the edge of Weeramar Park, Gillies Street, Wendouree

Status

- A more advanced needs-analysis of the social impacts for the area will be undertaken in early 2024

Timeline and Next Steps

Business case and soil testing
In progress

Detailed design process
To begin late 2024

Project shovel ready
Early 2026

Construction
Estimated to take 18-24 months

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Art Gallery of Ballarat Interior Upgrades – FUNDED

Art Gallery of Ballarat Interior Upgrades

Project Cost

\$5.5 million

- Heritage wall lining: \$490,000
- Upgrade of HVAC System: \$5 million

Investment Needed

- Heritage wall lining: \$445,000
- Upgrade of HVAC system: Up to \$4.6 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Heritage wall lining: \$45,000 for design
- Upgrade of HVAC system: \$400,000

Project Description

Replace redundant humidifiers and boilers (HVAC) to ensure the Art Gallery of Ballarat (AGB) collection is preserved, and to enhance the AGB’s ability to attract loans and host national and international exhibitions.

Inadequate environmental conditions cause disastrous damage to a gallery collection. The upgrade will reduce the significant reputational risk to the City of Ballarat and result in a reduction in electricity and maintenance costs.

Lining the walls of each gallery will enable the AGB to stop hanging artworks on wires which is inefficient and not best practice for a major regional Gallery.

Wires are a security risk as they fail and works can be lifted off and removed.

The heritage walls are unstable and unsuitable for contemporary hanging systems.

The new linings will enable works to be fixed directly to the wall; improved display infrastructure will mean the AGB can more efficiently and safely undertake changeovers, meaning more artworks can be displayed and more borrowed.

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Community Benefit

With 10,500 plus artworks conservatively valued at over \$130 million, the AGB’s collection is one of the top five in the country, and the best in regional Australia. It includes some of the most significant paintings of the Australian Impressionists, works related to the Eureka rebellion and early exploration, printmaking and contemporary works.

The AGB hosts over 30 exhibitions and 150 programs and events annually, including international exhibitions.



FUNDED

Art Gallery of Ballarat Interior Upgrades
Project Cost \$5.5 million
City of Ballarat Investment
• \$5.5 million

FUNDED

Skylight Upgrade
Investment Secured
• \$536,707 – Victorian Government Regional Collections Access Program

FUNDED

Art Gallery of Ballarat Master Plan
Investment Secured
• \$388,850 – Victorian Government Enabling Tourism Fund Stream 1
City of Ballarat Investment
• \$100,000



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Art Gallery of Ballarat Interior Upgrades – FUNDED

➤ Art Gallery of Ballarat Interior Upgrades continued

The Art Gallery is a major economic driver for Ballarat with over 200,000 visitors per year, including 10,000 schoolchildren.

The depth of the collection is reflected in the more than 70 outward loans to national and state galleries each year.

Sadly, the non-compliant environment of the AGB means it is rarely able to borrow works from other collections without making short term arrangements to ensure an appropriate environment.

Visitor economy benefits

The AGB is a major economic driver for Ballarat with over 200,000 visitors per year, including 10,000 schoolchildren. The proposed works will:

- Increase the AGB’s ability to attract blockbuster exhibitions
- Provide the opportunity to increase the number of annual visits, bringing significant financial and job benefits to Ballarat’s economy
- Transform display infrastructure to ensure that the AGB can efficiently and safely undertake changeovers that enable the presentation of more artworks and receive more loans

Protect the Gallery’s collection

The proposed works will bring the AGB into line with museum best practice in preserving the Gallery’s collection and presenting it in the best possible spaces and conditions.

Location

- 40 Lydiard Street North, Ballarat Central

Status

- Both projects are ready to proceed as soon as external funding is secured

Timeline and Next Steps

- Heritage wall lining is expected to take between three and six months



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Ballarat Bus Network Review

Project Cost

Not costed (Victorian Government project)

Investment Needed

- TBD

City of Ballarat Investment

- None

Project Description

Review of the design, timetabling and reach of the Ballarat bus network, operated by Public Transport Victoria, to ensure the government’s investment in buses delivers maximum benefit for Ballarat residents.

Community Benefit

An overhaul of Ballarat’s bus network will bring a range of benefits for residents including:

- Increasing the convenience and accessibility of the bus network for users, and providing incentives for new patrons to use buses
- Reducing the number of car journeys, easing traffic congestion at peak times and relieving strain on Ballarat’s road network

Location

- Across Ballarat urban area

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Voter Appeal

Council’s 2023 bus network survey found residents wanted better cross-town services, faster journey times and greater frequency of services.

Respond to Growth

Lucas, Alfredton and Winter Valley have grown substantially since the last major changes to the bus network (2017) but provision of bus routes and services has not kept pace with growth and resident demand.

Address disadvantage

A review and overhaul of the bus network can result in improved transport options for people without independent transport to access education, employment, and medical services, and better transport options for people with disability.

Status

- Continued advocacy to the Victorian Government for a review of the Ballarat bus network



Ballarat-Carngham Road Upgrade

Project Cost

Not costed (Victorian Government project)

Investment Needed

- The project is part funded with \$6.6 million for design work through 2022/23 Victorian State Budget
- Remaining investment ask is to be determined following completion of design work

City of Ballarat Investment

- None

Project Description

Upgrade and duplication of a 2.4 kilometre section of Ballarat-Carngham Road between Wiltshire Lane and Dyson Drive, providing two lanes in each direction, central median, upgraded intersections and associated landscaping/shared path facilities.

Community Benefit

Delivery of a key transport corridor to support businesses and residents in the Ballarat West Growth Area, bringing improved travel times and road safety, and reduced risk for residents and road users, particularly Alfredton, Lucas and Winter Valley.

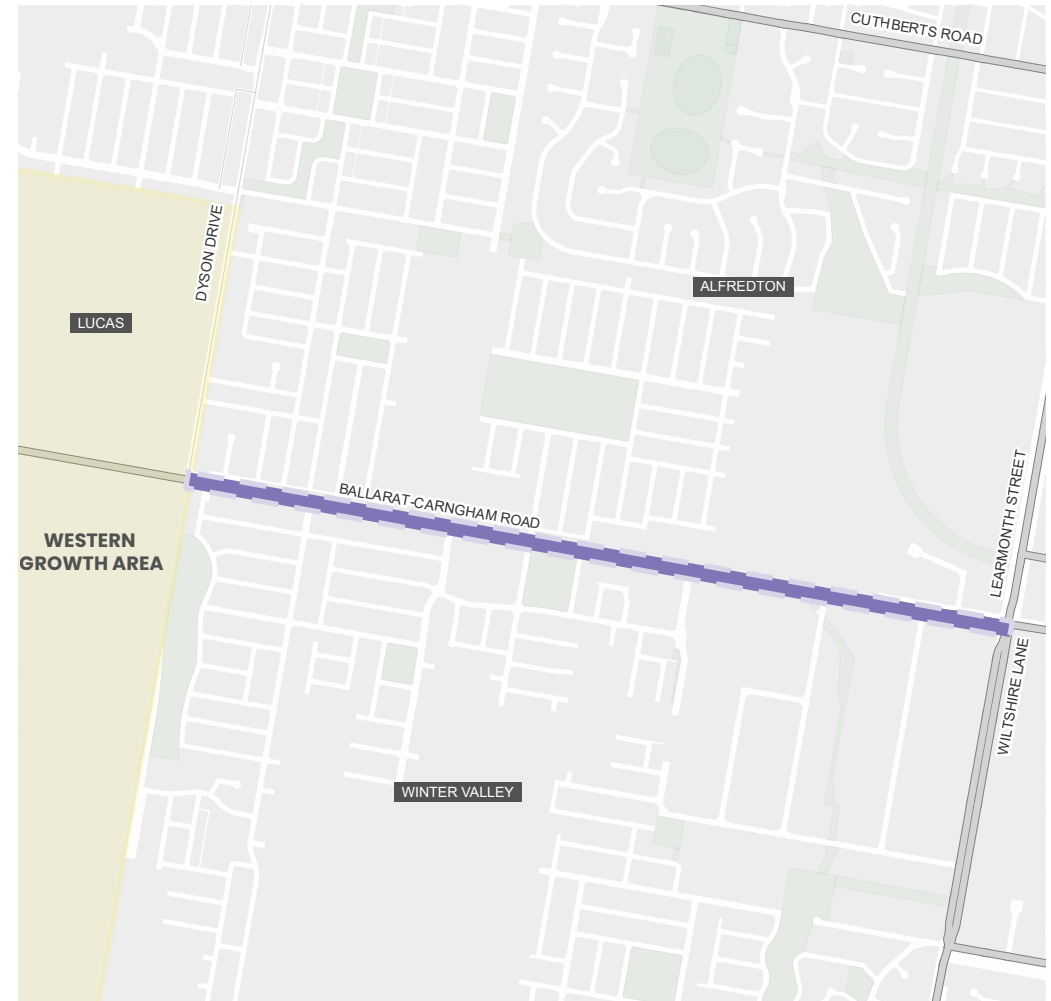
The upgrade will improve the quality the freight route for trucks and heavy vehicles.

Location

- Ballarat-Carngham Road between Wiltshire Lane and Dyson Drive, Ballarat West Growth Area

Status

- Preliminary concept design work and investigation completed
- Funding required for more detailed design work, a cost estimate and full business case



Ballarat Regional Soccer Facility – Elite Sports Package

Project Cost

\$2.9 million

- **Priority 1:** \$650,000 grandstand roof
- **Priority 2:** \$1.5 million to upgrade lights
- **Priority 3:** \$700,000 for spectator shade on two synthetic pitches

Investment Needed

- Up to \$2.9 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

Project Description

Upgrades to the Ballarat Regional Soccer Facility (BRSF), including a roof over the grandstand, broadcast standard lighting and spectator shade at the synthetic pitches to bring the ground up to national standard.

Community Benefit

The works will enhance capacity at BRSF to comfortably host elite competition including A League Men and A League Women’s matches, improve game-day experiences for players and spectators attending regional championships and for local sides playing matches at the venue.

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Enhance Ballarat’s premier soccer facility

The venue is used by all ages, juniors, seniors, male and female and hosts all abilities and primary and secondary schools’ soccer tournaments.

Players and spectators come from around the state for the Ballarat and District Soccer Association competition, while Ballarat City regularly hosts teams from Melbourne.

Western United FC has expressed interest in its women’s team playing at the ground, potentially two to six games a year.

Location

- 910 Pleasant Street South, Redan

Status, Timeline and next steps

- Ongoing advocacy



Ballarat West Growth Area Primary School and Secondary School

Project Cost

Not costed (Victorian Government)

Investment Needed

- Victorian Government agreement and funding to deliver two new schools in the Ballarat West Growth Area (BWGA)

City of Ballarat Investment

- None

Project Description

Two new schools for students in Ballarat's fastest growing suburbs.

- P-6 primary school in Delacombe Town Centre (referred to by the Department of Education as Cherry Flat Proposed P6)
- 7-12 Secondary School in Winter Valley (referred to by the Department of Education as Ballarat West Proposed 7-12)

Community Benefit

Providing access to modern educational facilities and taking enrolment pressure off existing state schools. Reduced travel time and costs for students and their families, and reduced traffic congestion across the western half of Ballarat, especially at peak times.

Responding to growth

- 2021 Census population figures for the Delacombe Statistical Area, which includes Winter Valley, Bonshaw, and Delacombe, show the area's population grew by more than 50 per cent in five years to 10,661
- The number of families in the area grew by 55.9 per cent in the same period
- The BWGA, including Delacombe and Winter Valley, is projected to grow from 28,834 in 2023 to 48,500 people by 2036 (*forecast.id*)



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Ballarat West Growth Area Primary School and Secondary School continued

The new schools will ease pressure on government schools in Ballarat’s west, particularly Ballarat High School and Phoenix P-12 Community College

Why should Governments invest in this project?

The new schools will:

- Ease pressure on government high schools in Ballarat’s west, particularly Ballarat High School and Phoenix P-12 Community College
- Provide additional capacity to meet future regional demand from developments in the north of Golden Plains Shire

Location

- Primary School: 54 Cherry Flat Road Smythes Creek
- Secondary School: 512 Greenhalghs Road, Winter Valley

Status

- Schools in Delacombe Town Centre and Winter Valley are identified in the Ballarat West Growth Area Precinct Structure Plan (PSP), which received planning approval from the Victorian Government in 2012

Timeline and Next Steps

- Ongoing advocacy



Site Aerial as of 7 November 2023

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Continuous Voices Memorial

Project Cost

\$1.5 million

Investment Needed

- \$500,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$520,000

Victorian Government Funding

- \$500,000

Project Description

The Continuous Voices Memorial will acknowledge and honour survivors of sexual assault.

Located in a peaceful public space in Victoria Park, the Memorial's design was informed by conversations with more than 50 survivors who spent 12 months exploring ideas of acknowledgment, memorials and telling survivor stories as part of the Continuous Voices Arts Project.

Their stories have guided the design of the memorial and site, ensuring survivor voices are at the heart of the design.

Community Benefit

The Memorial will provide an opportunity to deepen community understanding of the tragic consequences and intergenerational trauma that come from sexual abuse.

It will acknowledge and recognise the pain and trauma caused by all forms of sexual violence whether in an institution, family or elsewhere.

Sexual assault survivors in Ballarat have been advocating for a memorial to acknowledge all survivors for close to a decade.

Why should Governments invest in this project?

This is a unique opportunity for a three-way funding partnership between governments.

A small financial commitment, will have an enormous intergenerational impact, demonstrating support and solidarity for all survivors of sexual violence.

It will be significant to many community members and has the potential to make a large impact in the city's journey towards acknowledgment.

Location

- Victoria Park, Ballarat

Status

- Following a national, two stage design competition, the concept design was endorsed by City of Ballarat Council in June, 2024. Tenders will be called for the memorial's construction in the second half of 2024

Survivor stories have guided the design of the memorial and site, ensuring their voices are at the heart of the design.



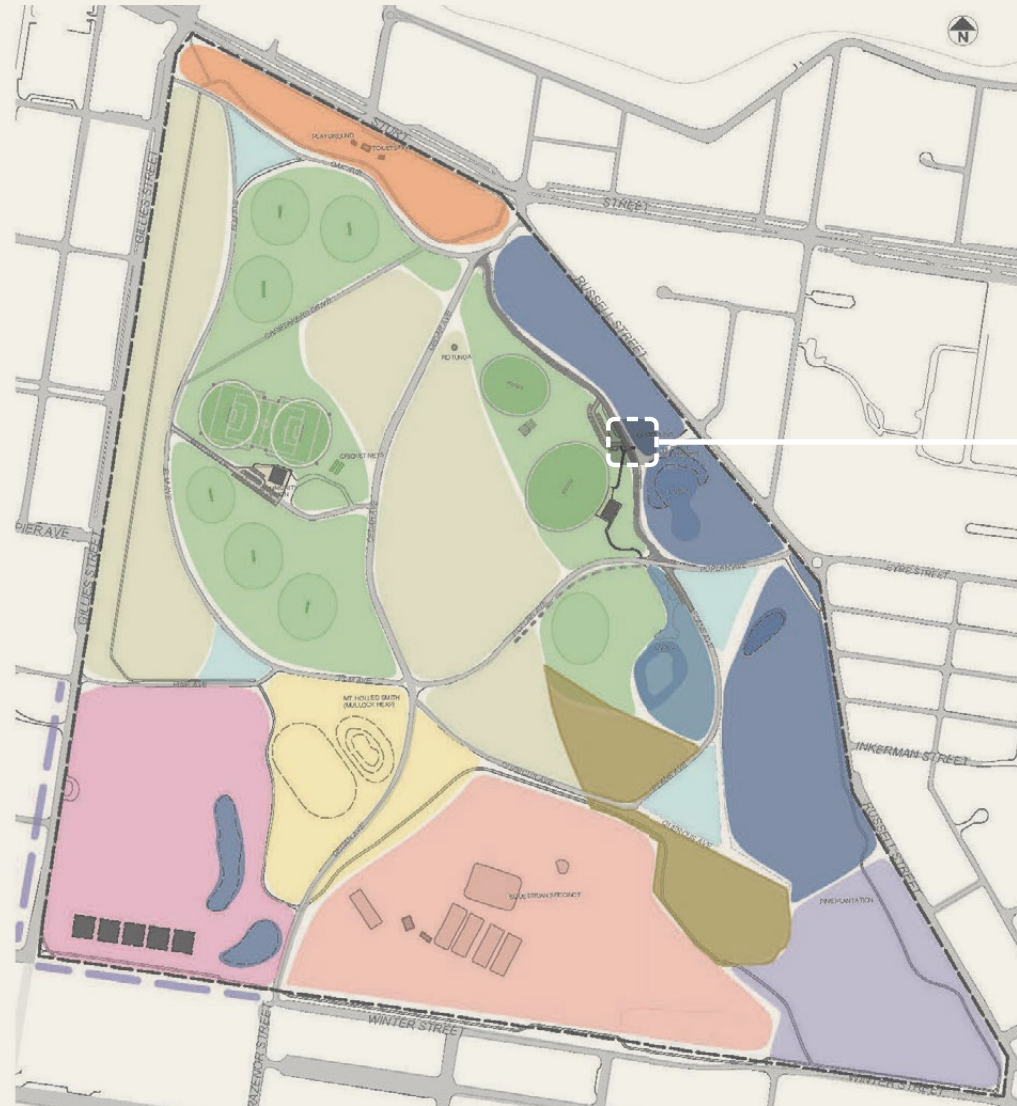
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Continuous Voices Memorial continued

PROPOSED PARK PRECINCTS

- ACTIVE EDGE
- SPORTS GROUNDS
- GRASSLANDS
- LAKES/WETLANDS
- SOUTH EAST ENTRY
- EQUESTRIAN
- SOUTH WEST CORNER
- MULLOCK HEAP & VELODROME
- HISTORIC GROVE PLANTING
- BUILDING FOOTPRINTS
- CHANGED GRASSLANDS
- POTENTIAL URBAN RENEWAL INTERFACE

Victoria Park Precinct



Timeline and Next Steps

- Tender**
July 2024 - September 2024
- Construction Phase**
October 2024 - April 2026
- Final Delivery**
April 2026 - May 2026

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Ballarat Regional Strategic Transport Assessment – FUNDED

Ballarat Regional Strategic Transport Assessment

Project Cost

\$160,000

Investment Secured

- \$60,000, Victorian Government Flexible Local Transport Solutions Program

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$100,000 in partnership with Central Goldfields, Golden Plains, Hepburn, Moorabool and Pyrenees Shires

Project Description

A Strategic Transport Assessment (STA) will guide planning and investment in transport infrastructure and services across Ballarat and the surrounding region. It will aim to improve connectivity, accessibility, sustainability and overall quality of life for urban and rural residents in the region.

Current/emerging mobility challenges will be addressed, including:

- Car dependence
- Lack of efficient public transport systems or options
- Gaps in cycling and pedestrian links
- Lack of dedicated freight routes

The STA will provide evidence-based clarity on current movement and constraints, and identify future regional social, economic and transport needs.

It will guide the planning, investment and maintenance of the transport infrastructure and services which support communities across the region.

Critically, it will allow for greater coordination between Victorian Government agencies and the six LGAs to meet the needs of residents and businesses in the short, medium and long term.

Community Benefit

An STA is critical to the future liveability and prosperity of Ballarat and neighbouring municipalities, it will inform transport planning to:

- Improve access to jobs, education and health services, and support businesses and jobs
- Support access to arts, culture, sport and recreation, and local retail and hospitality
- Improve connectivity, social inclusion, the health and wellbeing of residents
- Deliver environmental benefits brought by sustainable transport options including networks of walking and cycling paths, and improved public transport services



FUNDED

Ballarat Regional Strategic Transport Assessment

Project Cost \$160,000

Investment Secured

- \$60,000 Victorian Government Flexible Local Transport Solutions Program

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$100,000 in partnership with Central Goldfields, Golden Plains, Hepburn, Moorabool and Pyrenees Shires

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Ballarat Regional Strategic Transport Assessment – FUNDED

Ballarat Regional Strategic Transport Assessment continued

The Strategic Transport Assessment will guide targeted and coordinated investment in regional transport from all three levels of government.

Why should Governments invest in this project?

The STA will guide targeted and coordinated regional investment in transport from all three levels of government.

Improved transport connectivity across the region is essential to enable growing and emerging industries (including tourism) to fully realise their potential – including links to ports, airports, inter-modal terminals and other regional and metropolitan centres.

Sustainable and multimodal transport will contribute to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, aligning with local, state, national and international environmental commitments.

Economic impact

A multi-faceted economic impact ranging from immediate job creation and a tourism boost, to long-term sustainability and economic growth.

It will serve as an economic catalyst, encouraging new businesses to invest here and support existing sectors and stakeholders, particularly those reliant on road freight.

Government funding for this transformative project is an investment in the economic prosperity and sustainability of the region.

Location

- City of Ballarat, Central Goldfields Shire, Golden Plains Shire, Hepburn Shire, Moorabool Shire, Pyrenees Shire

Status

- Funding secured

Timeline and Next Steps

- Development of the STA in partnership with the Victorian Government and Central Goldfields, Golden Plains, Hepburn, Moorabool, and Pyrenees Shires

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Kindergarten Upgrade Package

City of Ballarat is seeking government support to deliver its Kindergarten Infrastructure Pipeline, a key element of Council’s Community Infrastructure Plan 2022–2037.

Council is planning ahead to ensure it can meet the demand for kinder places which has surged as a result of population growth and the Victorian Government’s popular Best Start, Best Life Reforms which made kindergarten free for three and four-year-olds from 2023.

Building Blocks Partnership

These policy changes are driving the need for additional early years infrastructure, particularly in Ballarat’s growth areas.

City of Ballarat is seeking a Building Blocks Partnership with the Victorian Schools Building Authority (VSBA) to deliver the critical early years infrastructure needed to increase kindergarten capacity across the municipality.

Existing Infrastructure

City of Ballarat owns 18 kindergartens across the municipality which are a mix of integrated and standalone settings consisting of one or two rooms of varying condition.

In the immediate term City of Ballarat is seeking funding support to increase capacity at these kindergartens:

- **Brown Hill Kindergarten Expansion**
\$2.7 million
- **Buninyong Kindergarten Upgrade and Expansion**
\$3.5 million
- **Delacombe Community Hub**
\$12.1 million
- **Delacombe Community Kindergarten**
\$3 million

FUNDED

- **Lucas Community Hub Expansion**
\$2.7 million

FUNDED

- **Sebastopol Community Hub**
\$4.5 million
- **Winter Valley Community Hub**
\$12.1 million



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Kindergarten Upgrade Package continued

Community Benefit

Kindergartens have numerous developmental benefits for young children:

- Enhancing school readiness and learning and development opportunities
- Children who attend a kindergarten program are less likely to be developmentally vulnerable at school
- Learning key skills including creative thinking, social and emotional skills, and early literacy and language skills
- Children in Year 3 who attended kindergarten were 15 to 20 weeks ahead of those who did not
- At 16, students who attended two to three years of kindergarten had higher scores in English and maths
- Government investment in early years education leads in the long term to higher productivity and earning capacity for children, and reduced government spending on health, welfare and crime

Why should Governments invest in these projects?

Address disadvantage

Data from the 2021 Australian Early Development Census shows Ballarat compares consistently with Australian and Victorian averages, with:

- 1 in 5 children vulnerable on at least one development indicator
- 1 in 10 children vulnerable on two or more development indicators
- However Ballarat has pockets of higher vulnerability with a significant increase in vulnerability experienced in these suburbs between 2018 to 2021:
- Mount Pleasant / Golden Point on all 4 domains (physical, social, emotional, language)
- Sebastopol 3 domains (social, emotional, language)
- Delacombe on 2 domains (social, emotional)

Respond to Government’s Universal Kindergarten Policy

Local Government has been tasked with primary responsibility to provide the infrastructure needed to deliver on

the Victorian Government’s early year’s sector reform.

City of Ballarat Council needs a Building Blocks agreement to enable the roll out. Without such an agreement assuring delivery of kindergarten infrastructure for the next decade, Ballarat will have an infrastructure supply problem when future three-year-old kindergarten registrations match four-year-old kindergarten registrations.

Respond to Growth

Ballarat’s population is projected to grow to 170,000 by 2041 based on an annual average growth rate of 2.1 per cent, an increase of 57,947 people.

New Growth Areas

Ballarat’s three new growth areas – Northern, Western and North-Western – will be home to thousands of residents:

- Northern Growth area: 7,000 dwellings and 18,900 residents (forecast)
- North Western Growth Area: 7,000 dwellings and 18,900 residents (forecast)
- Western Growth Area: 14,000 dwellings and 37,800 residents (forecast)

Existing Growth Area – Ballarat West Growth Area (BWGA)

The BWGA, including Delacombe and Winter Valley, is projected to grow from 28,834 in 2023 to 48,500 people by 2036 (forecast.id).

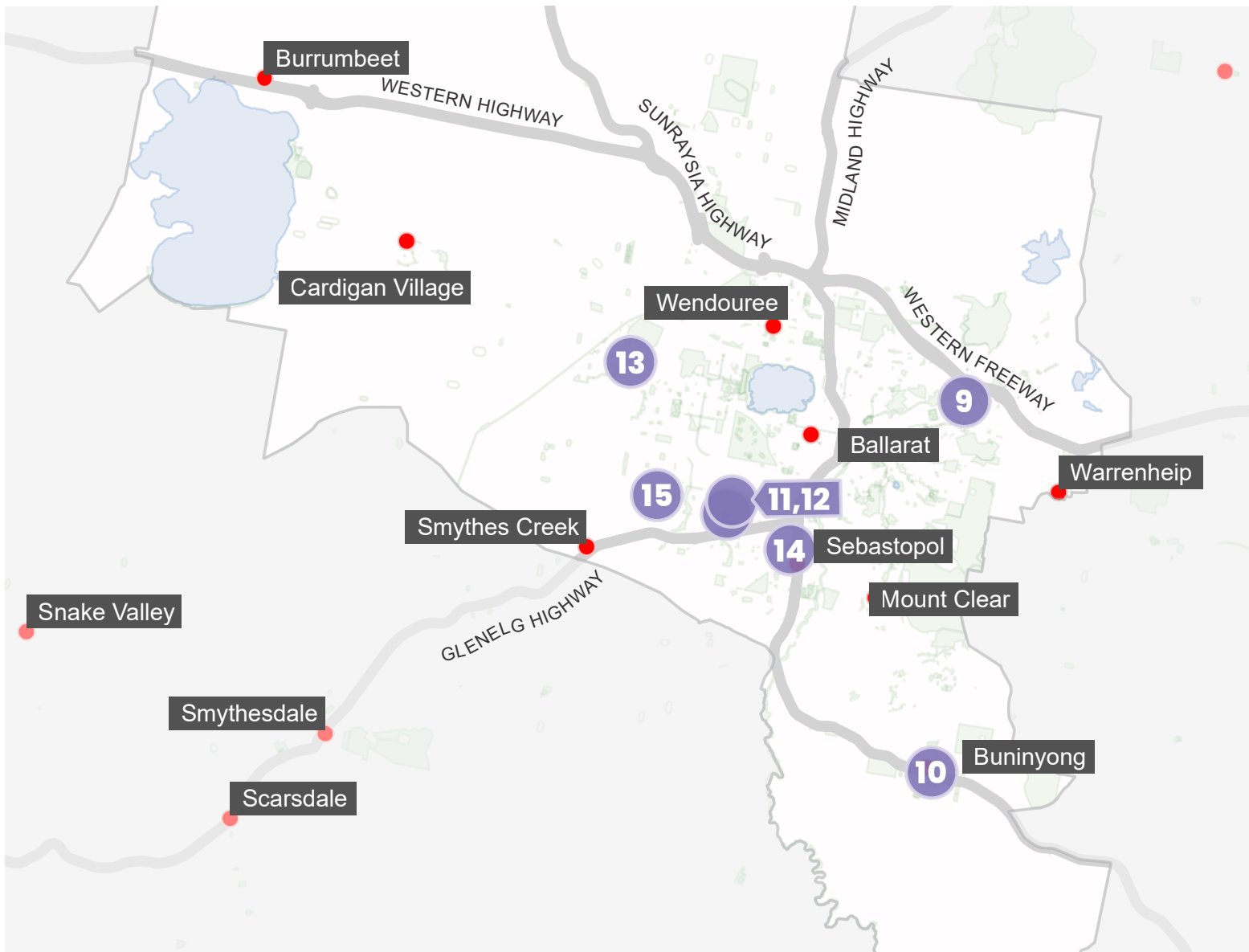
Location

- Multiple sites in multiple electorates across the municipality

Status

- Currently working to negotiate a Building Blocks Partnership with the VSBA
- Undertaking a review of the Kindergarten Infrastructure and Services Plan (KISP) which estimates the growth and demand for kinder in the LGA and identifies the number of kindergarten places required over time

Kindergarten Upgrade Package



Tier 2 Kindergarten Upgrade Package	
9	Brown Hill Kindergarten Expansion
10	Buninyong Kindergarten Upgrade and Expansion
11	Delacombe Community Hub
12	Delacombe Community Kindergarten
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14	Sebastopol Community Hub
15	Winter Valley Community Hub

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Kindergarten Upgrade Package

Brown Hill Kindergarten Expansion

Project Cost

\$2.7 million

Investment Needed

- \$1.5 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$1.2 million

Project Description

A third room to increase licensed places by 33, helping to address community need in this growing area.

The project will:

- Relocate the entrance to improve accessibility and provide a second outdoor space
- Deliver a larger staff administration area, small meeting room, additional toilets
- Formalise car parking

Community Benefit

Data from the ABS Census 2021 shows:

- Between 2016 -2021 Brown Hill experienced a population increase of 25.3 per cent
- A 29 per cent increase in the number of young families living in the area
- Children aged 0 - 4 years represent 8.5 per cent of the Brown Hill population, well above the Victorian average of 5.8 per cent

City of Ballarat's draft Housing Strategy identifies the potential for increased housing density in this area, which will further increase pressure on Brown Hill Kindergarten.

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Address Disadvantage

Many families who use Brown Hill Kindergarten are from adjacent suburbs in the SA2 area of Ballarat North which is identified as having higher proportions of households with low incomes, single parent families, lower levels of education, higher levels of housing stress and unemployment, transport accessibility issues and lower SEIFA scores.

Economic impact

- \$2 million

Job creation

- 13 jobs during construction

Location

- 1 Reid Court, Brown Hill

Status

- Detailed designs are complete
- Currently working to negotiate a Building Blocks Partnership with the VSBA

Timeline and Next Steps

- Anticipated construction timeframe 2024



Note: All project costs are subject to inflationary pressures leading to cost escalations

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Kindergarten Upgrade Package

Buninyong Kindergarten Upgrade and Expansion

Project Cost

\$3.5 million*

Investment Needed

- \$1.5 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$2 million

Project Description

Delivery of a well-designed integrated community facility with two maternal and child health consulting rooms, a third kinder room to increase licensed places by 33, waiting area, staff planning and lunchrooms.

Community Benefit

The kindergarten is at capacity and demand for places is high; expansion will ensure demand from the Buninyong community and surrounding areas can be met.

Why should Governments invest in this project?

An expanded kindergarten at Buninyong will have positive social impacts, addressing developmental vulnerability and enhancing school readiness for children.

Economic impact

\$2.6 million

Job creation

- 17 jobs during construction

Location

208 Learmonth St, Buninyong

Status

- Currently working to negotiate a Building Blocks partnership with the VSBA
- Architect has been appointed for the project
- Feasibility study underway

Timeline and Next Steps

- **Construction**
2025 (funding dependent)
- **Open**
2026

**Note: This project has not been fully costed and cannot be until the designs are complete*



Note: All project costs are subject to inflationary pressures leading to cost escalations

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Kindergarten Upgrade Package

Delacombe Community Hub

Project Cost

\$12.1 million

Investment Needed

- \$9.7 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$2.4 million - Council's contribution can be increased to cover any shortfall between project cost and funding received, including Development Contribution Plan funding.

Project Description

A new integrated early years facility with a 3-room x 33 place kindergarten, consulting rooms for maternal child health and other early years services, community meeting spaces for playgroups and first-time parent groups.

Note: The proposed library will be in a separate building

Community Benefit

This area is experiencing significant growth and is popular with families.

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Respond to growth

Data from the ABS Census 2021 (data for 2016-2021) for the Delacombe SA2 shows:

- A 69 per cent increase in the number of 0 - 4-year-olds (328 children) living in the area

- A 50.5 per cent population increase between 2016 to 2021 in the Delacombe SA2 (which includes Delacombe, Winter Valley, Bonshaw and Smythes Creek)
- A 55.9 per cent increase in the number of families living in the area
- Children aged between 0 - 4 years represent 7.5 per cent of the population, higher than the Victorian average of 5.8 per cent

The project is identified in the Ballarat West Precinct Structure Plan.

Location

- TBC - land not yet secured for the project

Status

- Currently working to negotiate a Building Blocks partnership with the VSBA

Timeline and Next Steps

- Concept design will begin in the 2024/25 financial year
- Potential for construction to begin in the 2026/27 or 2027/28 financial year - funding dependent



Kindergarten Upgrade Package

Delacombe Community Kindergarten Expansion

Project Cost

\$3 million

Investment Needed

- \$2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$1 million

Project Description

Extension of Delacombe Community Kindergarten to increase the licensed places from 55 to 99.

The original part of the existing building was constructed in 1985, with a second room added in 2014.

Feasibility and concept planning is currently underway to determine the best approach to expand the facility.

Community Benefit

The project will provide locally accessible kindergarten places for young families in the Delacombe community and ensure children have access to play based learning.

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Respond to growth

The project addresses both the growth experienced in Delacombe and surrounding suburbs in recent years and projected growth for this area.

ABS Census 2021 data shows the percentage of children aged 0-4 in the Delacombe SA2 area is 7.5 per cent, which is higher than proportion of children aged 0-4 in the Ballarat Local Government Area (5.8 per cent).

The total population for the Delacombe area is forecast to increase by 69.4 per cent between 2023 and 2036, from 9,422 to 15,962. During the same period, Ballarat's population will increase by 21.6 per cent.

Policy alignment

Ensures City of Ballarat has the infrastructure to deliver on the Victorian Government's Best Start Best Life Policy reform.

Location

- 105 Whitelaw Ave, Delacombe

Status

- Currently working to negotiate a Building Blocks partnership with the VSBA
- Architect has been engaged to complete feasibility report to inform the scope of works and to develop concept plans

Timeline and Next Steps

- **Detailed designs** will begin 2024/25
- **Construction** is planned for 2026



Kindergarten Upgrade Package – FUNDED

Lucas Community Hub Expansion

Project Cost

\$2.5 million

Investment Needed

- \$1.5 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$1 million

Project Description

Expansion of the Lucas Community Hub to include an additional 33 place kindergarten room and an increase to outdoor space. A redesign of the entrance and kindergarten foyer, a laundry, storeroom, additional toilets and a staff planning room.

Community Benefit

The expansion will give the kindergarten capacity to provide additional programs, providing families with a high-quality, accessible, early years services close to home, supporting children in Lucas and surrounding areas to be 'school ready'.

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Economic impact

- \$1.6 million

Job creation

- 12 jobs during construction

Respond to growth

The population of Lucas nearly trebled between 2016 and 2021 (ABS Census 2021), with a higher than the Victorian average number of children in the 0–4-year-old age group.

Respond to Victorian Government policy

Delivering essential infrastructure to support demand created by the Victorian Governments Best Start, Best Life Reforms which make kindergarten free for both three and four-year-olds from 2023.

Location

- 17 Coltman Plaza, Lucas

Status

- Currently working to negotiate a Building Blocks partnership with the VSBA
- Awaiting the outcome of a \$1.5 million application to the capacity building grant stream

Timeline and Next Steps

- **Construction**
Planned for 2024 and is expected to take nine months



FUNDED

Lucas Community Hub Expansion
Project Cost \$2.5 million

Investment Secured

- \$1.5 million – Victorian Government Building Blocks Capacity Building Grant

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$1 million

Kindergarten Upgrade Package - FUNDED

Sebastopol Community Hub

Project Cost

\$14 million

Investment Needed

- \$4.5 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$5 million

Australian Government Funding

- \$4.5 million

Project Description

The new hub will provide a contemporary and accessible home for user groups of the present Sebastopol Senior Citizens building, including the Sebastopol Senior Citizens, Ballarat Community Health, McCallum, and 1st Sebastopol Guides, and allow for use by new groups.

The early years component will provide 3 x 22 place kindergarten rooms for three and four-year-old children to facilitate the Victorian Government's Best Start early years reforms.

Community Benefit

The new Sebastopol Community Hub will provide a long-term home to community groups that use the present Sebastopol Senior Citizens Centre which is almost 50 years old and approaching the end of its lifespan.

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Economic impact \$32.2 million direct and indirect economic output during construction, with an additional \$31 million in economic impact over 25 years of operation

Job creation

- 68 full time equivalent (FTE) jobs during construction (14 direct, 54 indirect), eight FTE jobs ongoing



FUNDED

Sebastopol Community Hub
Project Cost \$14 million

Investment Secured

- \$4.5 million - Victorian Government Building Blocks Capacity Building Grant
- \$4.5 million - Australian Government Investing in Our Communities Program

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$5 million



Images: Indicative design only

Sebastopol Community Hub continues on next page >

Note: All project costs are subject to inflationary pressures leading to cost escalations

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Kindergarten Upgrade Package - FUNDED

Sebastopol Community Hub Package continued

The early years component will provide 3x 22 place kindergarten rooms for three and four-year-old children to facilitate the Victorian Government's Best Start early years reforms.

Address disadvantage

Latest early years data identifies 31.1 per cent of Sebastopol children as vulnerable in one or more domain, which is much higher than the Ballarat average of 21.7 per cent.

Sebastopol has a high proportion of vulnerable people who live alone and a consistently higher level of unemployment than other areas in Ballarat and Victoria.

Sebastopol Community Hub will provide local low-cost activities and services for families facing financial hardship.

Plus co-location of kindergarten and early years childhood programs and services, including maternal and child health, parent groups and supported playgroups.

Location

- 250-256 Vickers Street Sebastopol

Status

- Currently working to negotiate a Building Blocks partnership with the VSBA
- Awaiting the outcome of a \$4.5 million application to the capacity building grant stream

Timeline and Next Steps

Request for tender for construction

January 2024

Award construction contract

March 2024

Construction of facility

April 2024 – May 2025

Note: All project costs are subject to inflationary pressures leading to cost escalations

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Kindergarten Upgrade Package

Winter Valley Community Hub

Project Cost

\$12.1 million

Investment Needed

- \$6.75 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$5.35 million – Council’s contribution can be increased to cover any shortfall between project cost and funding received, including Development Contribution Plan funding.

Project Description

An Integrated early years facility with a 3-room x 33 place kindergarten, consulting rooms for maternal child health and other early years services, community meeting spaces for playgroups and first-time parent groups.

Community Benefit

This area is experiencing significant growth and is popular with families. The new community hub will ensure residents have convenient access to kindergarten, maternal and child health, and other essential early years services.

Location

- TBD – land not yet secured for the project

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Responding to growth

Children aged 0–4 make up 10.1 per cent of Winter Valley’s population, almost double the Victorian average of 5.8 per cent.

The Ballarat West Growth Area, including Winter Valley, is projected to grow from 28,834 in 2023 to 48,500 people by 2036 (*forecast.id*).

Policy alignment

Ensures City of Ballarat has the infrastructure to deliver on the Victorian Government’s Best Start Best Life Policy reform.

Status

- Currently working to negotiate a Building Blocks partnership with the VSBA

Timeline and Next Steps

- **Concept design**
Will begin in 2024/25
- **Construction**
Potential to begin in 2027



Mair Street Upgrade Stage 2

Project Cost

Not costed (Victorian Government project)

Investment Needed

- TBD

City of Ballarat Investment

- None

Project Description

The upgrade of Mair Street from Davies Street to Sturt Street, via Dawson Street to improve safety, traffic flow and amenity.

Works include:

- Widening the majority of the street into a divided four lane roadway
- Removal of central median car parking
- Replacement of angle kerbside parking with parallel parking
- Upgrades to all signalised intersections
- Replace roundabouts with traffic signals at the Dawson and Grenville Street intersections

Community Benefit

Building on Mair Street Stage 1 works, the project will improve traffic flow along Mair Street, providing a more convenient route for heavy vehicle and other through traffic that currently travels along Little Bridge, Curtis and Sturt Streets.

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Support Ballarat CBD Business

Fewer cars in local CBD streets, supporting a more pedestrian-friendly environment, in turn encouraging the use of local streets for CBD-destination traffic only.

Improve Safety

Removal of centre median parking will improve pedestrian safety.

Improve Amenity

Additional tree plantings on the centre median will enhance amenity and extend the CBD tree canopy.

Location

- Mair Street from Davies Street to Sturt Street

Status

- City of Ballarat continues to advocate for Mair Street Upgrade Stage 2

Timeline and Next Steps

- TBD by the Victorian Government



Royal Park Community Hub, Buninyong Stage 2

Project Cost

\$2.4 million

Investment Needed

- \$1.2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$1.2 million

Project Description

A new sustainably designed community hub for Buninyong Sustainability, Buninyong Soccer Club and other community groups. The facility will include a flexible multipurpose room, kitchenette, storage and office accommodation.

Community Benefit

Support the promotion of active, healthy lifestyles for Buninyong residents including, young people, by providing a permanent home for the Buninyong Soccer Club and a base for other community groups at Royal Park.

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Economic impact

- \$1.8 million

Job creation

- 12 jobs during construction

Social Impacts

A permanent home for local community clubs and organisations, a venue for the annual Smart Living Expo, enhancing Royal Park as a venue for community activities, sustainability initiatives and community sport.

Location

- 1101 Warrenheip Street, Buninyong

Status

- Concept design has been developed, detailed design to be completed

Timeline and Next Steps

- The project is currently slated for delivery in 2026/27

Images: Indicative design only



Victorian Goldfields World Heritage Bid

Project Cost

\$1.7 million

Investment Needed

- \$1.52 million – Victorian Government plus partnership co-contributions

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$180,000 subject to Council budget processes (over three years)

Project Description

This unprecedented region-wide project is a partnership between Ballarat and 14 other Victorian LGA's to secure World Heritage listing of the Victorian Goldfields to create social, cultural, and economic opportunities for regional communities and long term sustainable jobs.

The Victorian Goldfields World Heritage Journeys – Master Plan Implementation Stage 1 (Master Plan) provides the roadmap to equitably distribute the benefits of a World Heritage listing to over half a million people, across nearly 20 per cent of Victoria, primarily through sustainable tourism initiatives.

Community Benefit

The bid celebrates, protects and promotes the richness of the region's multi-layered history – from the First Peoples living on Country, to the Gold Rush and subsequent waves of immigration.

Delivery of the Victorian Goldfields World Heritage Journeys Master Plan aims to help uplift the socioeconomic condition and quality of life of communities in the Victorian Goldfields, regardless of their individual World Heritage status.

It will build community identity and pride, conserve heritage, stimulate socioeconomic revitalisation, and celebrate local culture.



Victorian Goldfields World Heritage Bid continues on next page >

Note: All project costs are subject to inflationary pressures leading to cost escalations

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Victorian Goldfields World Heritage Bid continued

Delivery of the bid and the Master Plan will increase visitation to the Victorian Goldfields, leading to economic benefits worth \$1 billion for the region's communities, businesses, and operators in the first decade.

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Economic Benefits

Delivery of the bid and the Master Plan will increase visitation to the Victorian Goldfields, leading to economic benefits worth \$1 billion for the region's communities, businesses, and operators in the first decade.

By the tenth year following World Heritage listing, in comparison to business-as-usual tourism growth, there would be:

- An additional 2.2 million new visitors to the region
- An additional \$440 million spent in the local economy

- 1,750 additional jobs
- An increase of \$150 million in regional income (direct/indirect wages, salaries, profits for business)
- \$570 million additional investment in both hotel and family-type accommodation

Location

- Ballarat and 14 other Local Government Areas

Status

- In 2023, the Victorian Government committed \$3.8 million over three years to take forward two World Heritage nominations, one being the Victorian Goldfields World Heritage Bid
- Victorian Goldfields World Heritage Master Plan development supported by a \$500,000 grant from Regional Development Victoria's Investment Fast-Track Fund and \$125,000 in regional co-contributions
- The Victorian Goldfields World Heritage Master Plan was completed in 2024

Timeline and Next Steps

Australia Government will add the Victorian Goldfields to its World Heritage Tentative List in 2025

A full nomination will be submitted to UNESCO by the Australian Government 2026/2027

Note: All project costs are subject to inflationary pressures leading to cost escalations

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Victoria Park Major Events Precinct

Project Cost

\$5.3 million

Investment Needed

- \$3.6 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$1.7 million

Project Description

Victoria Park is Ballarat’s premier open space, a 131 hectare parkland in the heart of the city which is well used and loved by the community.

The Events Precinct will be in an unused area in the southwest corner of Victoria Park with capacity to stage large outdoor events year-round and comfortably accommodate as many as 30,000 attendees.

Creation of a flexible multi-purpose Events Precinct will provide Ballarat with a competitive advantage to attract new events and help Ballarat retain existing events like Spilt Milk and Red Hot Summer Tour and allow these events to grow their offering.

The proposed works will deliver an Events Precinct with capacity to host diverse and exciting events and reduce the impact on community clubs which are displaced from their venues for up to two weeks when major events are held.

Key works:

- Extensive drainage works with top dressing and grass seeding
- Underground power with 3 phase access points
- Underground potable water points
- Hard stand vehicle entrance and exit onto the site with lockable bollards
- Installation of optic fibre trenching



Victoria Park Major Events Precinct continues on next page >

Growing the events sector, through development of high-quality event infrastructure in Victoria Park, will help attract more events and event visitors to Ballarat, including during off-peak visitation periods.

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Visitor Economy Benefit

Growing the events sector, through development of high-quality event infrastructure in Victoria Park, will help attract more events and event visitors to Ballarat, including during off-peak visitation periods.

Ballarat attracts 2.86 million visitors per year, which includes 70 per cent domestic day-trippers. Data indicates that events are a key motivator to convert day-trippers to overnight stays.

Economic impact and job creation

A thriving visitor economy is essential for driving economic growth and supporting new job creation. In the past three years major events held in Victoria Park have generated an economic value of approximately \$30 million and attracted more than 100,000 attendees, more than half of whom stayed more than one night.

Community Benefit

Presently, use of Victoria Park for large events requires sports clubs and other community groups to be displaced while the event is bumped in and out, and for longer periods if remediation works are needed after events.

A dedicated events precinct in Victoria Park will allow large scale events to be held year-round with minimal disruption to sports and community clubs which use the park for events, training and matches.

Strategic Alignment

The Events Precinct is strongly aligned with City of Ballarat strategies and masterplans relating to event attraction, tourism, the visitor economy and Victoria Park; and with the Victorian Government's ambitions for regional tourism as expressed via the *Tourism Midwest Victoria Sustainable Destination Management Plan 2024-2033*, *Tourism Midwest Victoria's Ballarat Local Area Action Plan 2024-2033* and with *Experience Victoria 2033*.

Location

- Victoria Park (southwest corner) Corner Gillies Street South and Winter Street, Newington

Timeline and Next Steps

- Secure government support to facilitate delivery of the Events Precinct

Yarrowee River Package

Project Cost

Up to \$5 million TBD – Fully scalable

Investment Needed

- Up to \$5 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

Project Description

New shared user paths completing missing links in the Yarrowee River Trail network, improved connections, upgraded landscaping in depleted sections, opportunities to improve biodiversity along the corridor. The project is focused on a 2.5 km section of the Yarrowee River.

Community Benefit

Yarrowee River is an extremely popular recreational trail, however missing links at various locations limit safe use along its full length, forcing families and children to cross dangerous roads (i.e. Grant Street). The project will create more safe, seamless, enjoyable connections that encourage activity, fitness, and social connection.

Many of the riparian areas are in a poor condition and often devoid of native vegetation, limiting the environmental benefits of the corridor. Planting of native vegetation will improve biodiversity, increase shade and resilience to climate change.

Why should Governments invest in this project?

Support and enhance one of Ballarat’s key natural assets as detailed in the Yarrowee River Masterplan.

Location

- North of the CBD (Central Business District) near Eastern Oval – both sides of the river
- South of the CBD along Anderson Street, Mill Street, and further south to Prest Street – both sides of the river

Status

- Design is well-progressed
- Detailed design and tender could begin from 2024 onwards subject to external funding

Timeline and Next Steps

- **Detailed Design** 12 months
- **Delivery** 12 months







Ballarat East Town Hall Gardens Restoration

Project Cost

Up to \$5 million

Fully scalable, detailed costings expected in early 2024.

Investment Needed

- Up to \$5 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

Project Description

Restoration of historic elements of Ballarat East Town Hall Gardens. This is a grassroots, community-driven project led by a passionate group of local advocates with potential to deliver the project in partnership with Ballarat Group Training (BGT).

Practical skills training with BGT – as a delivery partner for on-site landscape management, construction and arboricultural works.

Location

- Specimen Vale Reserve and Britannia Reserve, surrounding Barkly Square, Ballarat East

Status

- External funding needed to facilitate delivery

Timeline and Next Steps

- Detailed design 2024, construction 2025+
- Fully scalable – design 12 months – early works 1-2 months, full restoration 24-36 months



Brown Hill Recreation Reserve Cricket Nets

Project Cost

\$650,000

Investment Needed

- Up to \$650,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

Project Description

Five synthetic cricket training nets, including two community nets for public use; identified as a priority in the Brown Hill Recreation Reserve Master Plan.

Community Benefit

The new nets will directly benefit the Brown Hill Cricket Club and provide opportunities for local representative teams to train.

The two community cricket nets will ensure local residents have access to quality facilities.

Location

- Reid Street North, Brown Hill

Status

- Subject to Council budget processes and external funding

Timeline and Next Steps

- The project could begin in September 2025, six months delivery



Brown Hill Recreation Reserve Oval Redevelopment

Project Cost

\$1.2 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$1.2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

Project Description

Improved drainage and irrigation of the oval's playing surface will increase capacity for the oval to be used year round.

It is under-used in winter as lack of drainage creates wet and muddy conditions.

Identified as a priority in the Brown Hill Recreation Reserve Master Plan.

Community Benefit

Provide a better-quality playing surface for Brown Hill Cricket Club, increase opportunities for the Eureka Athletics Club and allow growth of the Auskick program at this venue. During summer the oval is manually irrigated which limits ground preparations and places an increased burden on volunteers.

Location

- Reid Street North, Brown Hill

Status

- External funding needed to facilitate delivery

Timeline and Next Steps

- The project could begin in September 2025, six months delivery



Buninyong Recreation Reserve Cricket Nets

Project Cost

\$650,000

Investment Needed

- \$650,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

Project Description

Five fully enclosed synthetic cricket training nets, including two community nets for public use. The existing three nets are outdated and cannot cater for demand.

Community Benefit

The new nets will directly benefit the Buninyong Cricket Club and provide opportunities for local representative teams to train.

The two community cricket nets will ensure local residents have access to quality facilities.

Location

- 401-409 Cornish Street, Buninyong

Status

- External funding needed to facilitate delivery

Timeline and Next Steps

- The project could begin in late 2024, six month delivery

Buninyong Recreation Reserve Electronic Scoreboard – FUNDED



Buninyong Recreation Reserve Electronic Scoreboard

Project Cost

\$130,000

Investment Secured

- \$130,000

Project Description

New electronic scoreboard.

Community Benefit

A new electronic scoreboard will improve the gameday experience for players and spectators, reduce the burden on volunteers and may increase future capacity and appeal for community events to be held at the Reserve.

Location

- 401-409 Cornish Street, Buninyong

Status

- Funding secured

Timeline and Next Steps

- Three - four months delivery



Buninyong Recreation Reserve Netball Courts and Lighting

Project Cost

\$1.2 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$1.2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$1.2 million

Project Description

Two new netball courts including lighting, player shelter, spectator seating and storage.

Community Benefit

The project will ensure the Buninyong Football Netball Club has greater flexibility to schedule training for junior and senior netball teams.

The Central Highlands Football Netball League (CHFNL) hosts finals at this reserve annually. Providing a two-court facility for match day games and warm up will help the CHFNL cater for greater crowds during finals.

Location

- 401-409 Cornish Street, Buninyong

Status

- External funding needed to facilitate delivery

Timeline and Next Steps

- Potential to begin in late 2024



Len T Fraser Reserve Regional Skate Park Expansion

Project Cost

\$2.2 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$2.2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$2.2 million

Project Description

Expansion of the regional skate park located at Len T Fraser Reserve.

Community Benefit

Involving the local skating community in the design process will add to the appeal of this popular park, ensure the new elements meet user's needs, deliver modern facilities which will attract further youth-based events and result in greater participation from local and regional skaters.

Location

- Corner Main Road and Eureka Street, Ballarat East

Status

- External funding needed to facilitate delivery

Timeline and Next Steps

- The project could begin in late 2024, six to 12 months delivery



Mount Clear Recreation Reserve Oval 2 Redevelopment

Project Cost

\$830,000

Investment Needed

- Up to \$830,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$830,000

Project Description

Re-shaping the surface levels, drainage and irrigation, to allow year-round use of the ground.

This will bring added benefits in terms of the management and use of Oval 1, and further complement previous investment in the change rooms and oval lighting.

Community Benefit

Benefit for the Mount Clear Junior Football Netball Club, the Mount Clear Cricket Club and Mount Clear College.

The oval is under-used. It is extremely hard and lacks grass coverage during summer due to the lack of irrigation, however in winter it gets extremely wet and muddy, due to lack of drainage.

Location

- 59 Olympic Avenue, Mount Clear

Status

- External funding needed to facilitate delivery

Timeline and Next Steps

- The project could begin in September 2025, six months delivery



Mount Clear Recreation Reserve Netball Court Redevelopment

Project Cost

\$450,000

Investment Needed

- Up to \$450,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$450,000

Project Description

Full reconstruction of the existing netball court to ensure the suitability, safety and sustainability of the court surface for casual, training and match days uses.

Community Benefit

The Mount Clear Junior Football Netball Club local residents will benefit from the redevelopment of the netball court as it is always accessible to the public.

The redeveloped netball court will support and encourage more young people to play netball.

Location

- 59 Olympic Avenue, Mount Clear

Status

- Subject to Council budget processes and availability of external funding

Timeline and Next Steps

- Construction to begin late 2024, six month delivery



Russell Square North Oval Redevelopment

Project Cost

\$2 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

Project Description

Redevelopment will provide a more sustainable playing surface and increase the capacity of the ground to accommodate a wide range of user groups.

Community Benefit

A more sustainable playing surface, particularly during the winter months, when the condition deteriorates due to its levels and inadequate drainage systems.

The redevelopment will benefit Ballarat North United Soccer Club, Ballarat Touch Association, East Ballarat Cricket Club, and members of the public who use the ground for informal recreation.

Location

- 228A Humffray Street North, Brown Hill

Status

- Subject to availability of external funding and Council budget processes

Timeline and Next Steps

- Could begin in September 2025 subject to external funding, six to nine months delivery

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Burrumbeet Cricket Club Social Room

Project Cost

\$250,000

Investment Needed

- \$130,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$120,000

Project Description

A social room at Burrumbeet Oval to allow the Burrumbeet Cricket Club to offer social activities on match days. The space will include a small kitchenette, toilet facility and outdoor decking space.

Community Benefit

This new space will primarily benefit the Burrumbeet Cricket Club, delivering a modern and fit for purpose space

to support the club's operation, allowing club members to build social connections within the club and with visiting teams.

Location

- Cassidy's Road, Burrumbeet

Status

- External funding needed to facilitate delivery

Timeline and Next Steps

- Project delivery is expected to take between six and nine months



Learmonth Oval Renovation and Oval Lighting

Project Cost

\$1.6 million

Investment Needed

- \$1.6 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$1.6 million

Project Description

Re-shaping the oval surface, sand base, drainage and irrigation. The addition of LED lighting to increase the capacity of the oval to be used during winter months.

Community Benefit

An outdated and inefficient manual irrigator is currently used at the oval.

Sub-surface irrigation and drainage will provide a more sustainable playing surface.

Location

- 15 Laidlaw Street, Learmonth

Status

- Subject to availability of external funding and Council budget processes

Timeline and Next Steps

- Could begin in September 2025, six months delivery



Miners Rest Splash Park

Project Cost

\$1.7 million

Potential delivery as part of the Miners Rest Sport and Community Facilities (MRSCF) development.

Investment Needed

- Up to \$1.7 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

Project Description

A free, family-friendly, community gathering place, a safe space for children to enjoy creative and unstructured waterplay. Potential features include tipping buckets and towering sprays.

Water will be recirculated and treated to the same level as an outdoor pool making the splash park environmentally friendly and safe.

Community Benefit

Anecdotal engagement with the Miners Rest community indicates this would be a popular addition to local recreation facilities.

Location

- To be determined. This project could be co-located at the MRSCF, subject to community engagement

Status

- Subject to MRSCF master plan engagement process to be managed by the Victorian Government

Timeline and Next Steps

- To be determined depending on whether the project is part of MRSCF project
- 12 months detailed design
- 12 months delivery



Miners Rest Skate Facility

Project Cost

\$350,000

Potential delivery as part of the Miners Rest Sport and Community Facilities (MRSCF) development.

Investment Needed

- Up to \$350,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

Project Description

A local level skate facility for Miners Rest which could be included as a feature in the MRSCF development.

Alternatively, the skate facility could be located next to the existing BMX track at the Miners Rest Community Park, adding to existing opportunities at the park.

Community Benefit

The new skate facility will add an active recreation option for the Miners Rest community.

Location

- To be determined. This project could be co-located at the MRSCF, subject to community engagement

Status

- Subject to MRSCF master plan engagement process to be managed by the Victorian Government

Timeline and Next Steps

- To be determined depending on whether the project is part of MRSCF project
- Six months of detailed design
- Six months delivery

TIER 3 – WENDOUREE

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Ballarat Aquatic and Lifestyle Centre Changing Places Facility - FUNDED

FUNDED

Ballarat Aquatic and Lifestyle Centre Changing Places Facility

Project Cost \$997,499

Investment Secured

- \$748,124 - Victorian Government State Regional Community Sports Infrastructure Fund



Ballarat Aquatic and Lifestyle Centre Changing Places Facility

Project Cost

\$997,499

Investment Secured

- \$748,124 - Victorian Government Regional Community Sports Infrastructure Fund

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$249,375

Project Description

Redevelopment of the existing single adult change facility, (which is tired, old and no longer fit for purpose), and adjacent non-compliant disabled toilet, to create two compliant Changing Places rooms with one hoist track direct to the pool.

Community Benefit

Changing Places facilities are larger than standard accessible toilets with extra features and more space to meet the needs of people with disability and their carers.

Changing Places facilities include:

- a height-adjustable adult-sized change table
- a constant-charging ceiling track hoist system

Location

- Gillies Street North, Lake Gardens

Status

- Ready to start in 12 months

Timeline and Next Steps

- Six months delivery



Black Hill Reserve Public Toilets

Project Cost

\$250,000

- \$200,000 - not including connections and services
- \$50,000 - connections and services, exact cost to be determined pending further on-site investigations

Investment Needed

- Up to \$250,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

Project Description

Construction of public toilets at Black Hill Reserve.

Community Benefit

The new toilets will cater for visitors to Black Hill Reserve including riders using its six mountain biking trails and spectators at downhill mountain biking events.

Location

- Chisholm St, Black Hill

Status

- Public Toilet Master Plan was adopted by Council in November 2023

Timeline and Next Steps

- Important to note: City of Ballarat has not undertaken any specific work on design costings, design, location, or service provision for toilets at Black Hill Reserve

Note: All project costs are subject to inflationary pressures leading to cost escalations

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City Oval Change Rooms

Project Cost

\$2.2 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$2.2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$2.2 million

Project Description

Redevelopment of the change rooms under the oval's heritage grandstand. The existing change rooms and amenities are in poor condition, non-compliant, and not female friendly.

Community Benefit

The delivery of female friendly and AFL- compliant change facilities and supporting amenities will be welcomed by the Redan Football and Netball Club,

Ballarat Football and Netball League (BFNL), AFL Goldfields, and the Ballarat Football Umpires Association.

Location

- 1431 Mair Street, Lake Wendouree

Status

- \$100,000 secured from AFL

Timeline and Next Steps

- Project to commence in late 2024 or early 2025, eight to 12 months delivery



City Oval – New Electronic Scoreboard

Project Cost

\$130,000

Investment Needed

- Up to \$130,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

Project Description

New electronic scoreboard.

Note: existing scoreboard is outdated but functional.

Community Benefit

A new electronic scoreboard will improve the gameday experience for players and spectators, reduce the burden on volunteers and may increase future capacity and appeal for community events to be held at City Oval.

Location

- 1431 Mair Street, Lake Wendouree

Status

- External funding needed to facilitate delivery

Timeline and Next Steps

- The project could begin immediately, three to four months delivery



Doug Dean Reserve Oval Upgrade

Project Cost

\$1.5 million+

Investment Needed

- Up to \$1.5 million+

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

Project Description

An upgrade of oval surface levels and drainage to increase ground capacity community participation opportunities.

Community Benefit

Increase the Reserve's capacity to handle the access demands for rugby and cricket.

The oval has been closed due to its poor condition during the winter months, impacting on rugby's ability to grow and service participants in Ballarat.

The redevelopment will provide a more sustainable surface for existing users including the Ballarat Rugby Club, VRI-Delacombe Cricket Club and Delacombe Primary School.

Location

- Nandiriog Drive, Delacombe

Status

- Subject to Council budget processes and external funding

Timeline and Next Steps

- The project could begin in September 2025, six months delivery



M.R. Power Park Oval and Lighting/ Pavilion Development

Project Cost

\$3.2 million

- New oval and lighting: \$1.6 million
- Pavilion: \$1.6 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$3.2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes with potential funding through the Development Contributions Fund

Project Description

A new oval, lighting and small pavilion will provide a hard wicket venue for Napoleons-Sebastopol Cricket Club (NSCC), complementing the current turf wicket redevelopment at Marty Busch Reserve Oval 2.

Community Benefit

Enhance M.R. Power Park as a key recreation facility for Sebastopol, Bonshaw and the Ballarat West Growth Area, providing another flexible space for organised sport and passive recreation, complementing the all-abilities play space, skate park, 3x3 basketball, senior exercise equipment and fenced off leash dog park.

Location

- 182-198 Grant Street, Sebastopol

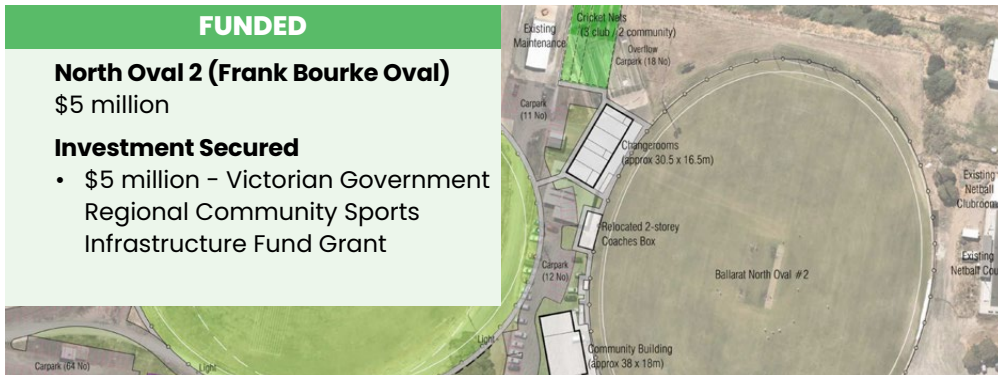
Status

- Subject to Council budget processes and external funding

Timeline and Next Steps

- The project could begin in July 2025, 12 months delivery

North Oval 2 Facilities (Frank Bourke Oval) – FUNDED



North Oval 2 (Frank Bourke Oval) Facilities and Lighting Upgrades

Project Cost

\$5.5 million

Investment Secured

- \$5 million – Victorian Government Regional Community Sports Infrastructure Fund Grant

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes.

Project Description

New female friendly changerooms with storage and toilets; community facility including multipurpose room, canteen, kitchen, meeting rooms and viewing area. LED lights to replace existing metal halide ground lighting.

Community Benefit

Will directly benefit junior and senior North Ballarat Football Netball Club teams, Greater Western Victoria

Rebels and North Ballarat Cricket Club. New lights will ensure more potential participation hours and greater scheduling flexibility for user groups.

Location

- 725D Creswick Road, Wendouree

Status

- Subject to Council budget processes

Timeline and Next Steps

- The project could begin in early 2025



Prince of Wales Park Hockey Refurbishment of Changerooms

Project Cost

\$850,000

Investment Needed

- Up to \$850,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$850,000

Project Description

Refurbishment of change rooms and provision of additional change rooms at Prince of Wales Park (POWP) hockey pitch to make them female friendly and of universal design providing greater access and flexibility in use.

Community Benefit

Ensure POWP hockey pitch can meet usage demands in the short-medium term; complement the current

investment in renewal of the hockey pitch adding to the facility's appeal and attract greater local and regional participation.

Direct benefits for Hockey Ballarat and the Ballarat Lawn Tennis Club.

Location

Hockey Ground, Prince of Wales Park, Gillies Street North, Lake Gardens

Status

- Subject to Council budget processes and external funding

Timeline and Next Steps

- The project could begin in late 2025, eight to 12 months delivery



Wendouree (CE Brown Reserve) Oval 2 Redevelopment and Lighting

Project Cost

\$1.6 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$1.6 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$1.6 million

Project Description

Increase the size of the Wendouree Oval 2 to better cater for junior and women's football, cricket and Little Athletics and bring the oval up to standard with other facilities in the precinct.

New LED lighting will add to the capacity of the oval, particularly during winter.

Community Benefit

Increase participation opportunities for user groups, including Lake Wendouree Football Netball Club, Wendouree

Cricket Club and Wendouree Athletics Club.

The oval has been unplayable for extended periods in both winter and summer due to its current condition.

New ground lights will increase available usage hours and reduce the load on CE Brown Reserve Oval 1.

Location

- 989 Norman Street, Wendouree (AKA Tom Goldsworthy Oval)

Status

- Subject to external funding and Council budget processes

Timeline and Next Steps

- The project could begin in September 2025, up to six months to deliver

Note: All project costs are subject to inflationary pressures leading to cost escalations

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Electorate Projects Summary

- ① Eureka
- ② Ripon
- ③ Wendouree

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Eureka Electorate Projects – Tier 2

Ballarat Bus Network Review (Page 34)

Review of the design, timetabling and reach of the Ballarat bus network, operated by Public Transport Victoria.

Project Cost

- Not costed (Victorian Government)

Ballarat Regional Strategic Transport Assessment (Page 41)

An evidence base to guide planning and investment in transport infrastructure and services in Ballarat and the surrounding region.

Project Cost

- \$160,000

Investment Secured

- \$60,000 Victorian Government Flexible Local Transport Solutions Program

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$100,000, in partnership with Central Goldfields, Golden Plains, Hepburn, Moorabool and Pyrenees Shires

Kindergarten Upgrade Package – Brown Hill Kindergarten Expansion (Page 46)

A third room to increase licensed places by 33, helping to address community need in this growing area.

Project Cost

- \$2.7 million

Investment Needed

- \$1.5 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$1.2 million

Kindergarten Upgrade Package – Buninyong Kindergarten Expansion (Page 47)

An integrated community facility with two maternal and child health consulting rooms and a third kinder room.

Project Cost

- \$3.5 million

Investment Needed

- \$1.5 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$2 million

Royal Park Community Hub, Buninyong Stage 2 (Page 55)

A new sustainably designed community hub for local community groups.

Project Cost

- \$2.4 million

Investment Needed

- \$1.2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$1.2 million

Victorian Goldfields World Heritage Bid (Page 58)

A partnership between Ballarat and 14 other Victorian LGA's to secure World Heritage listing of the Victorian Goldfields.

Project Cost

- \$1.7 million

Investment Needed

- \$1.52 million – Victorian Government plus partnership co-contributions

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$180,000 subject to Council budget processes (over three years)

Victoria Park Major Events Precinct (Page 58)

Creation of a flexible multi-purpose Events Precinct will provide Ballarat with a competitive advantage to attract new events and help Ballarat retain existing events.

Project Cost

- \$5.3 million

Investment Needed

- \$3.6 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$1.7 million

Yarrowee River Package (Page 60)

New shared user paths completing missing links in the Yarrowee River Trail network, improved connections, upgraded landscaping in depleted sections, opportunities to improve biodiversity.

Project Cost

- Up to \$5 million TBD – Fully scalable, detailed costings expected in early 2024

Investment Needed

- Up to \$5 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

Eureka Electorate Projects – Tier 3

- **Ballarat East Town Hall Gardens Restoration**
(Page 62)
Project Cost
 - \$5 million – Fully scalable, detailed costings expected in early 2024.**Investment Needed**
 - Up to \$5 million**City of Ballarat Investment**
 - Subject to Council budget processes

- **Brown Hill Recreation Reserve Cricket Nets**
(Page 62)
Five synthetic cricket training nets, including two community nets for public use.
Project Cost
 - \$650,000**Investment Needed**
 - Up to \$650,000**City of Ballarat Investment**
 - Subject to Council budget processes

- **Brown Hill Recreation Reserve Oval Redevelopment**
(Page 60)
Improved drainage and irrigation of the oval's playing surface will increase capacity for the oval to be used year round.
Project Cost
 - \$1.2 million

- Investment Needed**
 - Up to \$1.2 million**City of Ballarat Investment**
 - Subject to Council budget processes

- **Buninyong Recreation Reserve Cricket Nets**
(Page 63)
Five fully enclosed synthetic cricket training nets, including two community nets for public use
Project Cost
 - \$650,000**Investment Needed**
 - Up to \$650,000**City of Ballarat Investment**
 - Subject to Council budget processes

FUNDED

- **Buninyong Recreation Reserve Electronic Scoreboard** **(Page 64)**
Project Cost \$130,000
Investment Secured
 - \$130,000

- **Buninyong Recreation Reserve Netball Courts and Lighting**
(Page 64)
Two new netball courts including lighting, player shelter, spectator seating and storage.
Project Cost
 - \$750,000**Investment Needed**
 - Up to \$1.2 million**City of Ballarat Investment**
 - Up to \$1.2 million

- **Len T Fraser Reserve Regional Skate Park Expansion**
(Page 65)
Expansion of the regional skate park
Project Cost
 - \$2.2 million**Investment Needed**
 - Up to \$2.2 million**City of Ballarat Investment**
 - Up to \$2.2 million

- **Mount Clear Recreation Reserve Oval 2 Redevelopment**
(Page 65)
Re-shaping the surface levels, drainage and irrigation, to allow year-round use of the ground.
Project Cost
 - \$830,000

- Investment Needed**
 - Up to \$830,000**City of Ballarat Investment**
 - Up to \$830,000

- **Mount Clear Recreation Reserve Netball Court Redevelopment**
(Page 66)
Full reconstruction of the existing netball court to ensure the suitability, safety and sustainability of the court surface.
Project Cost
 - \$450,000**Investment Needed**
 - Up to \$450,000**City of Ballarat Investment**
 - Up to \$450,000

- **Russell Square North Oval Redevelopment**
(Page 66)
Create a more sustainable playing surface, increase the capacity of the ground to accommodate a wider range of user groups.
Project Cost
 - \$2 million+**Investment Needed**
 - Up to \$2 million**City of Ballarat Investment**
 - Subject to Council budget processes

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Ripon Electorate Projects – Tier 1

Ballarat Airport Strategy and Master Plan (STAMP) (Page 20)

The Ballarat Airport STAMP identifies a series of priority actions to upgrade Ballarat Airport’s capability and the services it can provide to Ballarat and the region.

Project Elements/Cost

- Stage 2 of runway 18/36 upgrade (reconstruction of the existing 1,250 metre section): \$12 million
- Refurbishment of existing aircraft apron and airport terminal building: \$4 million

Investment Needed

- Stage 2 of runway 18/36 upgrade: Up to \$12 million
- Refurbishment of existing aircraft apron and airport terminal building: Up to \$4 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes.

Circular Economy Precinct (CEP) (Page 22)

A Circular Economy Precinct, anchored by a Materials Recovery Facility, will be a regional centre fostering a sustainable approach to waste management.

Project Elements/Cost

- Land: TBD
- Materials Recovery Facility: \$37.1 million
- Partnership with government and the private sector for CEP foundational infrastructure

Investment Needed

- 5.2 ha parcel of land at the Ballarat West Employment Zone (BWEZ)
- Materials Recovery Facility: \$37.1 million
- Three way partnership to deliver CEP foundational infrastructure

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$4.8 million

Dyson Drive Duplication (Page 24)

Between Remembrance Drive and Ballarat–Carngham Road creating a dual carriageway road and two service lanes.

Project Cost

\$67.9 million

- Planning and design: \$4.5 million
- Delivery: \$63.4 million

Investment Needed

- Detailed design and planning: \$4.5 million
- Balance of funding once design and planning (including land acquisition) is complete

City of Ballarat Investment

- Design and survey works: \$150,000

Ripon Electorate Projects – Tier 2

Ballarat Bus Network Review (Page 34)

Review of the design, timetabling and reach of the Ballarat bus network, operated by Public Transport Victoria.

Project Cost

- Not costed (Victorian Government)

Ballarat West Growth Area Primary School (Page 37)

A new primary school for students in Ballarat’s fastest growing suburbs.

Project Cost

- Not costed (Victorian Government)

FUNDED

Ballarat Regional Strategic Transport Assessment (Page 41)

An evidence base to guide planning and investment in transport infrastructure and services in Ballarat and the surrounding region.

Project Cost

- \$160,000

Investment Secured

- \$60,000 Victorian Government Flexible Local Transport Solutions Program

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$100,000, in partnership with Central Goldfields, Golden Plains, Hepburn, Moorabool and Pyrenees Shires

Ripon Electorate Projects – Tier 2

Kindergarten Upgrade Package– Delacombe Community Hub (Page 48)

A new integrated early years facility with a 3-room x 33 place kindergarten, consulting rooms for maternal child health and other early years services.

Project Cost

- \$12.1 million

Investment Needed

- \$9.7 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$2.4 million – Including Development Contribution Plan funding

Victorian Goldfields World Heritage Bid (Page 56)

A partnership between Ballarat and 14 other Victorian LGA's to secure World Heritage listing of the Victorian Goldfields.

Project Cost

- \$1.7 million

Investment Needed

- \$1.52 million – Victorian Government plus partnership co-contributions

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$180,000 subject to Council budget processes (over three years)

FUNDED

Kindergarten Upgrade Package – Lucas Community Hub Expansion (Page 50)

Expansion of the Lucas Community Hub to include an additional 33 place kindergarten room and an increase to outdoor space.

Project Cost

- \$2.5 million

Investment Secured

- \$1.5 million – Victorian Government Building Blocks Capacity Building Grant

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$1 million

Ripon Electorate Projects – Tier 3

Burrumbeet Cricket Club Social Room (Page 68)

A social room at Burrumbeet Oval to allow the Burrumbeet Cricket Club to offer social activities on match days.

Project Cost

- \$250,000

Investment Needed

- \$130,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$120,000

Learmonth Oval Renovation and Oval Lighting (Page 68)

Re-shaping the oval surface, sand base, drainage and irrigation. The addition of LED lighting to increase the capacity of the oval to be used during winter months.

Project Cost

- \$1.6 million

Investment Needed

- \$1.6 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$1.6 million

Miners Rest Splash Park (Page 69)

A free, family-friendly, community gathering place, a safe space for children to enjoy creative and unstructured waterplay.

Project Cost

- \$1.7 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$1.7 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

Miners Rest Skate Facility (Page 69)

A local level skate facility for Miners Rest.

Project Cost

- \$350,000

Investment Needed

- Up to \$350,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

Wendouree Electorate Projects – Tier 1

- **Dyson Drive Duplication (Page 24)**
Between Remembrance Drive and Ballarat-Carngham Road creating a dual carriageway road and two service lanes.
Project Cost
\$67.9 million
 - Planning and design: \$4.5 million
 - Delivery: \$63.4 million**Investment Needed**
 - Detailed design and planning: \$4.5 million
 - Balance of funding once design and planning (including land acquisition) is complete**City of Ballarat Investment**
 - Design and survey works: \$150,000

- **Eastwood Community Hub (Page 27)**
Redevelopment of the Eastwood Leisure Complex to create a new, universally accessible, multi-use community facility.
Project Cost
 - \$17.8 million**Investment Needed**
 - \$8.9 million**City of Ballarat Investment**
 - \$8.9 million
- **Wendouree Library and Learning Centre (Page 29)**
A creative learning and community space with comprehensive library, Parent Place services, a maker space, community study, activity and relaxation spaces, café and free Wi-Fi.
Project Cost
\$23 million
Investment Needed
 - Up to \$23 million**City of Ballarat Investment**
 - TBD. City of Ballarat is seeking to partner with State and Federal Governments to deliver the project

Wendouree Electorate Projects – Tier 2

- FUNDED
- **Art Gallery of Ballarat (AGB) Interior Upgrades (Page 32)**
Replace redundant humidifiers and boilers (HVAC) to preserve AGB collection: lining the walls of each gallery to enable the AGB to stop hanging artworks on wires.
Project Cost
\$5.5 million
 - Heritage wall lining: \$490,000
 - Upgrade of HVAC System: \$5 million**Investment Needed**
 - Heritage wall lining: \$445,000
 - Upgrade of HVAC system: Up to \$4.6 million**City of Ballarat Investment**
 - Heritage wall lining: \$45,000 for design
 - Upgrade of HVAC system: \$400,000
 - **Ballarat Bus Network Review (Page 34)**
Review of the design, timetabling and reach of the Ballarat bus network, operated by Public Transport Victoria.
Project Cost
 - Not costed (Victorian Government)

- **Ballarat-Carngham Road Upgrade (Page 35)**
Upgrade and duplication of a 2.4 kilometre section of Ballarat-Carngham Road between Wiltshire Lane and Dyson Drive.
Project Cost
 - Not costed (Victorian Government)
- **Ballarat Regional Soccer Facility – Elite Sports Package (Page 36)**
A roof over the grandstand, broadcast standard lighting and spectator shade at the synthetic pitches.
Project Cost
 - \$2.9 million**Investment Needed**
 - Up to \$2.9 million**City of Ballarat Investment**
 - Subject to Council budget processes
- **Ballarat West Growth Area Secondary School (Page 37)**
A new secondary school for students in Ballarat's fastest growing suburbs.
Project Cost
 - Not costed (Victorian Government)

Wendouree Electorate Projects – Tier 2

Continuous Voices Memorial (Page 39)

A Memorial to acknowledge and honour survivors of sexual assault, located at Victoria Park.

Project Cost

- \$1.5 million

Investment Needed

- \$500,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$520,000

Victorian Government Funding

- \$500,000

FUNDED

Ballarat Regional Strategic Transport Assessment (Page 41)

An evidence base to guide planning and investment in transport infrastructure and services in Ballarat and the surrounding region.

Project Cost

- \$160,000

Investment Secured

- \$60,000 Victorian Government Flexible Local Transport Solutions Program

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$100,000, in partnership with Central Goldfields, Golden Plains, Hepburn, Moorabool and Pyrenees Shires

FUNDED

Kindergarten Upgrade Package – Sebastopol Community Hub (Page 51)

Government support to deliver City of Ballarat’s Kindergarten Infrastructure Pipeline to meet demand for kinder places from population growth and Best Start Best Life reforms.

Project Cost

- \$14 million

Investment Secured

- \$4.5 million – Victorian Government Building Blocks Capacity Building Grant
- \$4.5 million – Australian Government Investing in Our Communities Program

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$5 million

Kindergarten Upgrade Package – Delacombe Community Kindergarten Expansion (Page 49)

Extension of Delacombe Community Kindergarten to increase licensed places from 55 to 99.

Project

- \$3 million

Investment Needed

- \$2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$1 million

Kindergarten Upgrade Package – Winter Valley Community Hub (Page 53)

Project Cost

- \$12.1 million

Investment Needed

- \$6.75 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$5.35 million – Including Development Contribution Plan funding

Mair Street Upgrade Stage 2 (Page 54)

The upgrade of Mair Street from Davies Street to Sturt Street, via Dawson Street to improve safety, traffic flow and amenity.

Project Cost

- Not costed (Victorian Government project)

Investment Needed

- TBD

City of Ballarat Investment

- None

Victorian Goldfields World Heritage Bid (Page 56)

A partnership between Ballarat and 14 other Victorian LGA’s to secure World Heritage listing of the Victorian Goldfields.

Project Cost

- \$1.7 million

Investment Needed

- \$1.52 million – Victorian Government plus partnership co-contributions

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$180,000 subject to Council budget processes (over three years)

Wendouree Electorate Projects – Tier 2

● **Victoria Park Major Events Precinct** (Page 58)

Creation of a flexible multi-purpose Events Precinct to attract new events and help Ballarat retain existing events like Spilt Milk and the Red Hot Summer Tour.

Project Cost

- \$5.3 million

Investment Needed

- \$3.6 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$1.7 million

● **Yarrowee River Package** (Page 60)

New shared user paths completing missing links in the Yarrowee River Trail network, improved connections, upgraded landscaping in depleted sections, opportunities to improve biodiversity.

Project Cost

- Up to \$5 million TBD – Fully scalable

Investment Needed

- Up to \$5 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

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Wendouree Electorate Projects – Tier 3

● **Ballarat Aquatic and Lifestyle Centre Changing Places Facility** (Page 68)

Redevelopment of the existing single adult change facility and non-compliant disabled toilet to create two compliant Changing Places rooms.

Project Cost

- \$997,499

Investment Secured

- \$748,124 – Victorian Government Regional Community Sports Infrastructure Fund

City of Ballarat Investment

- \$249,375

● **Black Hill Reserve Public Toilets** (Page 68)

Construction of public toilets at Black Hill Reserve.

Project Cost

- \$250,000

Investment Needed

- Up to \$250,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

● **City Oval Change Rooms** (Page 69)

Redevelopment of the change rooms under the oval's heritage grandstand.

Project Cost

- \$2.2 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$2.2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$2.2 million

● **City Oval – New Electronic Scoreboard** (Page 69)

A new electronic scoreboard to improve the gameday experience for players and spectators.

Project Cost

- \$130,000

Investment Needed

- Up to \$130,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

● **Doug Dean Reserve Oval Upgrade** (Page 70)

An upgrade of oval surface levels and drainage to increase ground capacity community participation opportunities.

Project Cost

- \$1.5 million+

Investment Needed

- Up to \$1.5 million+

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

● **M.R. Power Park Oval and Lighting/Pavilion Development** (Page 70)

A new oval, lighting and small pavilion will provide a hard wicket venue for Napoleons-Sebastopol Cricket Club.

Project Cost

- \$3.2 million
- New oval and lighting: \$1.6 million
- Pavilion: \$1.6 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$3.2 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes with potential funding through the Development Contributions Fund

FUNDED

● **North Oval 2 (Frank Bourke Oval) Facilities and Lighting Upgrades** (Page 71)

Project Cost \$5.5 million

- Changerooms, community facility and lighting upgrades

Investment Secured

- \$5 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

● **Prince of Wales Park Hockey Refurbishment of Changerooms** (Page 71)

Refurbishment of change rooms and provision of additional change rooms to make them female friendly and universally accessible.

Project Cost

- \$850,000

Investment Needed

- Up to \$850,000

City of Ballarat Investment

- Subject to Council budget processes

● **Wendouree (CE Brown Reserve) Oval 2 Redevelopment and Lighting** (Page 72)

Increase the size of Wendouree Oval 2 to better cater for junior and women's football, cricket and Little Athletics.

Project Cost

- \$1.6 million

Investment Needed

- Up to \$1.6 million

City of Ballarat Investment

- Up to \$1.6 million



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