

# Connecting Mitchell

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**MITCHELL**  
SHIRE COUNCIL



# STATEMENT OF INTENT

## **Transformational projects to create a healthy, connected and sustainable community**

Mitchell Shire Council is focused on ensuring the timely provision of the required infrastructure and services to maintain the liveability of our communities.

Our substantial growth presents many exciting opportunities; however, we need the support and partnership of all levels of government to achieve the best possible outcomes for all our residents.

We have a long history of successful partnerships with the Federal Government and State Government, and together we can ensure all communities across Mitchell Shire are provided the services and infrastructure they need in order to thrive.

## **Acknowledgement of Country**

Mitchell Shire Council acknowledges the Taungurung and Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people as the Traditional Owners of the lands and waterways in the area now known as Mitchell Shire. We pay our respects to their rich cultures and to Elders, past, present and emerging, as well as other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who live, work and play in the area.



## **Commitment to equal access and opportunity**

We recognise and actively support equal access to resources and opportunities for everyone; regardless of gender, age, race, ethnicity, class, religion, disability, sexuality or membership of a minority group.

## **Contact Us**

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# MITCHELL SHIRE

Mitchell Shire is Victoria's fastest growing municipality. The current population of 51,000 is projected to more than triple in the next two decades to approximately 171,000 by 2041.

Mitchell Shire Council aims to create and maintain a **healthy, connected** and **sustainable** community. **CONNECTING MITCHELL** supports this vision which can be achieved by creating jobs and providing local, accessible services and health care.

**CONNECTING MITCHELL** highlights three transformational projects that will provide enduring and substantial economic and social benefits:

- > Camerons Lane / Hume Freeway Diamond Interchange
- > Seymour Community Wellbeing Hub
- > Greenhill Recreation Precinct

Mitchell Shire is positioned at the heart of Victoria, it is the gateway from Melbourne to the rest of the country. With the Hume Freeway, the future Inland Rail, and Beveridge Intermodal Freight Terminal, Mitchell is central to Australia's future freight and transportation network. Camerons Lane Interchange would capitalise on this strategic opportunity, creating jobs and enabling the construction of 30,000 homes.

Mitchell Shire's growth presents many opportunities. With this growth our community will require support and access to locally-based services. Seymour Community Wellbeing Hub will be ideally placed to provide much needed intergrated health, mental health and other community services to those most in need. The Hub will break the cycle of intergenerational disadvantage and support the local and regional community as it continues to grow.

Greenhill Recreation Precinct will provide a premier sporting, recreation and environmental precinct for Melbourne's north. The precinct will be centred around a series of sporting facilities which will enable people from across the community to participate in a healthy and active lifestyle. Situated at the base of Greenhill, the precinct will also preserve and celebrate its significant cultural and environmental value.

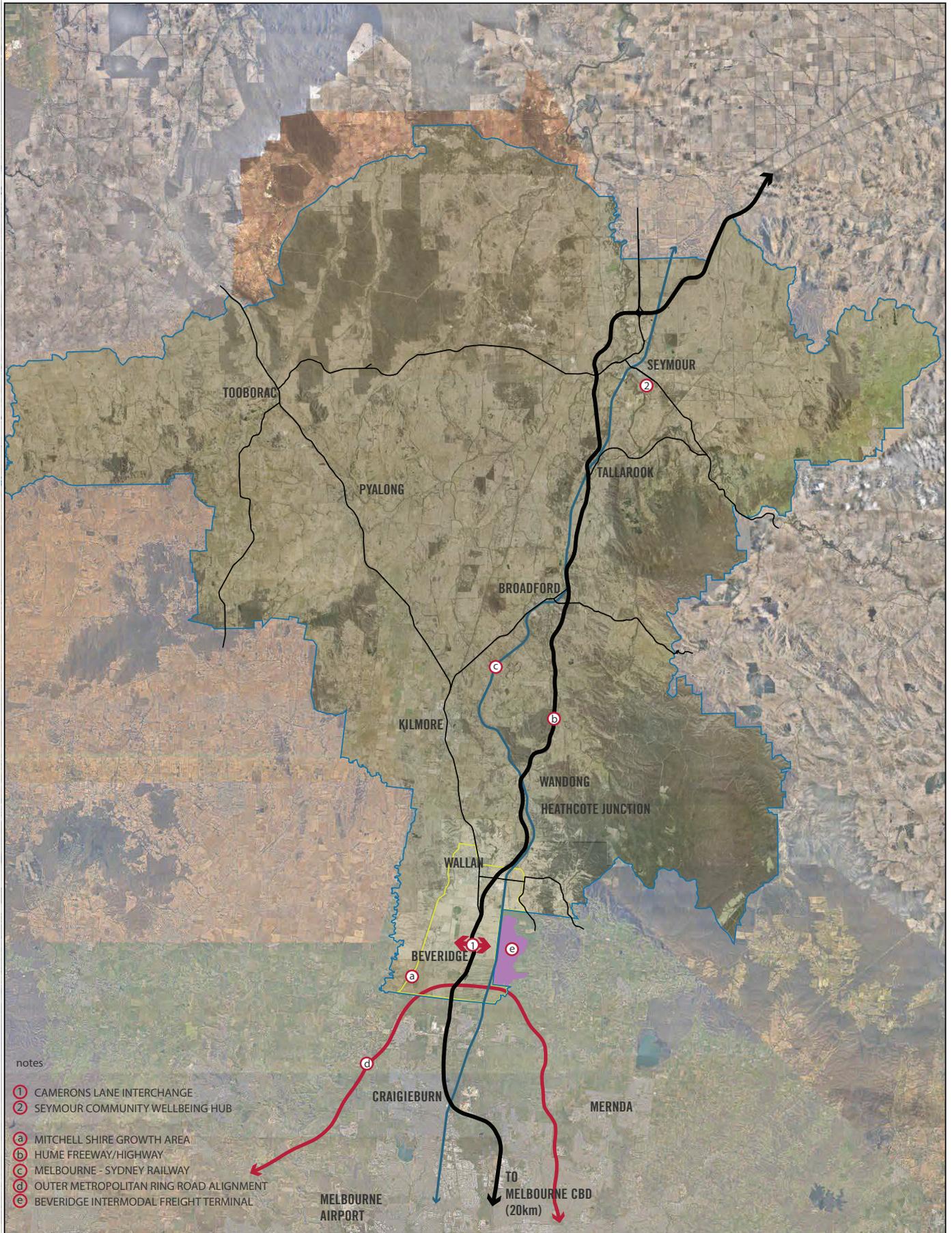
The projects identified in **CONNECTING MITCHELL** could create more than 2,000 jobs through construction and ultimately enable more than 20,000 on-going jobs.

Investment in Mitchell Shire now would be truly transformational. **CONNECTING MITCHELL** represents the opportunity to create a healthy, connected and sustainable community.



Artists impression of the Seymour Community Wellbeing Hub

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## Camerons Lane - Hume Freeway Interchange

**Estimated Funding Required** \$300 million

**Project Description**

A diamond interchange at Camerons Lane on the Hume Freeway would provide immediate stimulus through the creation of up to 2,000 direct and indirect jobs.

Construction of the interchange would put in place the most significant piece of enabling infrastructure for the Beveridge Intermodal Freight Terminal (BIFT) which will create an additional 20,000 jobs.

The interchange is also vital for residential development in the Northern Growth Corridor. The Camerons Lane Interchange would unlock more than 30,000 homes and provide access to jobs and services.

Investment now to construct Camerons Lane Interchange would transform Melbourne's north.

**Key Benefits**

Vital infrastructure to enable the construction and development of the Beveridge Intermodal Freight Terminal.

The interchange will ultimately support more than 20,000 jobs.

The interchange is essential to unlocking the development of more than 30,000 homes.

Identified project in the North West City Deal.

The interchange sits at the heart of a corridor which will deliver an estimated \$80 billion to the Australian economy.

## Seymour Community Wellbeing Hub

**Estimated Funding Required** \$23 million – seeking \$14 million from the Federal Government and \$9 million from the State Government

**Project Description**

The Seymour Community Wellbeing Hub will give up to 10,000 people living across the Seymour region access to integrated health and mental health support, together with other vital community services.

The Hub will have a focus on adult and veterans mental health. It will also be home to other health care and community spaces including a Centre Against Sexual Assault service, community dental service, primary health services, a library and flexible community spaces to promote social connection.

Connecting Mitchell calls on the Victorian and Federal Governments to invest \$23 million to go with the \$3 million in land and project costs already committed by Mitchell Shire Council.

The Hub is a partnership between Mitchell Shire Council, Goulburn Valley Health, Seymour Health and Nexus Primary Health. .

**Key Benefits**

An integrated health precinct in Seymour will transform the lives of individuals and families across the region.

Specialised support for veterans' physical and mental health, including suicide prevention programs, will form a vital component of the project.

Family violence support, through a Centre Against Sexual Assault (CASA), would address high levels of family violence in the local area.

The onsite health and wellbeing services will also be directly connected to a growing sports and recreation precinct around Chittick Park and Seymour Sports and Aquatic Centre.

Providing an even wider range of positive activities and social supports in the heart of Seymour.

Investment by the Victorian and Federal Governments will enable local partners to break down deeply entrenched intergenerational disadvantage.

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## Greenhill Recreation Precinct

### Estimated Funding Required

\$172,420,000

Seeking an initial investment of \$5 million for the Greenhill Recreation Precinct to support detailed design work. This would be the first investment in a three stage project:

- Stage 1: Detailed design (\$5 million)
- Stage 2: Initial construction (\$16.57 million)
- Stage 3: Project construction (\$150.85 million)

### Project Description

The Greenhill Precinct is a transformation project, it provides the opportunity to deliver socially sustainable facilities which meet state sporting association guidelines.

At the heart of the Greenhill Precinct will be an integrated facility for stadium sports, gymnastics, aquatics, and other leisure activities.

The Precinct has significant cultural, social and environmental value around its passive open space.

The co-location of a potential Southern Aquatic Centre allows for an integration of sporting activities that are multi-purpose and multi-generational promoting liveability and social connectivity.

The Greenhill Precinct area will encourage the development of facilities suitable for use by everyone, including people with physical and/or sensory impairment, those recovering from injury, older adults, people with impaired mobility and/or relying on mobility aids, and families with young children.

Greenhill Precinct is of significant social value to the Wallan and wider community. The aim of the site is to develop a premier sporting and recreational precinct that can meet the needs of the Wallan community and encourage engagement and connectivity.

### Key Benefits

A multi-purpose, multi-generational precinct which will improve health and wellbeing and provide a space for the creation of social connections.

Focus on delivering much needed sporting infrastructure, it will become a premier sporting site for Melbourne's north.

Situated around the base of Greenhill itself, the passive elements of the Precinct will preserve and enhance the natural values of the area, while celebrating and preserving the site's significant cultural heritage.



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