



Tarneit

# 2026/27 Victorian State Budget Submission



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## About Wyndham

Wyndham City welcomes the opportunity to present some of our priorities for consideration in the 2026/27 State Budget.

Wyndham City is one of the largest local government areas by population in Victoria (333,015 residents in 2025), and it is also one of Australia's fastest growing municipalities. Wyndham's population is set to grow to close to 500,000 people by 2040.

Wyndham is a young and diverse community. The 2021 Census found that 21 percent of the population aged 11 years or younger, 48 percent of the population was born overseas, and 49.8 percent speak a language other than English as their first language.

## About the Division of Tarneit

For the Wyndham City municipality, the Division of Tarneit includes the rapidly growing suburbs of the suburbs of Tarneit, Truganina, and parts of Hoppers Crossing and Mount Cottrell.

## Council's Advocacy Priorities

Council is committed to working closely with all levels of government to deliver on projects that support local jobs, build better transport connections and deliver vital infrastructure for our growing community. Council's advocacy priorities are aligned to the State Government's including:

- Infrastructure investment and job creation,
- Enhancing employment opportunities,
- Achieving the education state,
- Provision of essential and health services, and
- Building community resilience.

**Wyndham needs support to continue the delivery of future infrastructure that will service our area for the long-term.**

## Tarneit Budget Bid Submissions

Council welcomes the opportunity to put forward the following projects in the Tarneit Electorate for consideration in the 2026/27 Victorian Budget submission process.

| Project   | Request   | Benefits   |
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| <b>Riverdale Aquatic Centre</b>                             | <p>\$40 million</p> <p>Wyndham City Council is seeking a \$40 million funding contribution to support the design and construction of a new aquatic centre in Tarneit.</p> | <p>The construction of the Riverdale Aquatic Centre will deliver significant benefits to the Wyndham community. It will play a key role in reducing the risk of drownings by making swimming education more accessible, particularly for children and culturally diverse communities. It will also foster community connection and promote social inclusion. Additionally, the project will create local jobs during construction and operations, boost the local economy, and offer year-round recreation for people of all ages.</p> |
| <b>Wyndham Ring Road (State Contribution)</b>               | <p>\$85 million (Matched Funding with the Federal Government's commitment during the Federal Election 2025)</p>   | <p>The project includes a new bridge over the Werribee River, connecting Armstrong and Hobbs Road in Wyndham Vale to Sayers Road in Tarneit. It builds on current work underway on the Ison Road Overpass and the Main Road Interchange upgrade.</p>   |
| <b>Additional parking for West Tarneit Station.</b>         | <p>Funding for the installation of parking at the north of the new West Tarneit Station, expected for opening in 2026.</p>  | <p>Commuter carparking and access from the north of the new West Tarneit Station is currently outside the scope of the funding allocated in this year's State Budget.</p> <p>While space has been safeguarded for potential future expansion, including a second bus interchange and additional car parking, Council is seeking the funding for the addition of new car spaces for earlier delivery, to ensure we are ahead of future parking limitation challenges.</p>   |
| <b>Recurring funding for the Growing Suburbs Fund (GSF)</b> | <p>\$50 million to the GSF with 2 rounds of funding (\$25 million per round) per year.</p>  | <p>The Growing Suburbs Fund has been a significant source of support for community infrastructure within the Wyndham municipality over many years. Unfortunately, the GSF was discontinued in the recent Victorian Budget.</p>   |
| <b>Funding for business case around signalisation of</b>    | <p>\$5 million for business case around these proposed works.</p>   | <p>This intersection of Derrimut and Hogans Roads is heavily congested especially at peak periods. Signalising the intersection will reduce congestion, allow for better traffic flow and</p>  |

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| <b>intersection of Hogans and Derrimut</b>                         |  | improve road pedestrian safety. A business case will provide clarity around the viability of the project and offer the Department an opportunity to deliver this project.                             |
| <b>Electronic speed limit signs - Tarneit Road and Leakes Road</b> | \$140,000<br>Install electronic speed limit signs – flashing 40 km/h school zone                         | There is an opportunity to improve pedestrian safety at school times by installing electronic speed limit signs on Tarneit Road (Good News Christian School and Leakes Road (Tarneit Senior College). |
| <b>Hummingbird Boulevard - Pedestrian Zebra Crossings</b>          | \$325,000<br>This will deliver a raised pavement platform with pedestrian zebra crossing                 | This will improved pedestrian safety particularly at school times.  |
| <b>Hummingbird Reserve – LED Lighting</b>                          | \$250,000<br>Funding to install energy-efficient LED lighting throughout Hummingbird Reserve in Tarneit. | This will improve visibility for evening walkers, families, and young people, reducing perceptions of risk and antisocial behaviour.  |

For further information around any of these priorities, or to discuss other potential priority areas that you expect the Victorian Budget to focus on, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Wyndham City Council values ongoing collaboration with our Members of Parliament around shared priorities to continue shaping a healthy, inclusive, and a thriving city for all.