

Division of Point Cook

State Government Budget Submission



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About Wyndham

Wyndham City welcomes the opportunity to present to the Victorian Government our priorities for consideration in the 2025-26 Budget.

Not only is Wyndham City one of the largest local government areas by population in Victoria, 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 Point Cook

The District of Point Cook includes the suburbs of Point Cook and Werribee South. The area is popular with young families and access to quality education, community services and transport remain a concern for many residents. Council, on behalf of its community, appreciates the support to upgrade Williams Landing Railway Station, new schools in Point Cook and upgrades to Point Cook Rd with traffic management enhancements at the corner of Sneydes Road and also Central Ave.

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.

In particular, Council would like to see investment in:

- Community infrastructure and schools
- Major road upgrades,
- East Werribee Employment Precinct.

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Council welcomes the opportunity to put forward the following projects for investment consideration for the 2025/26 budget submission process.

Project	Request	Benefits
Open space, sports and recreation		
Werribee south Beach Master Plan – Stage 1 Bay Trail and Fishing Platform -	\$500,000	Funding will facilitate the upgrade of the Bay Trail (widening and renewal of the narrow aging footpath), creating a walking and cycling connection from Werribee South Beach to Wyndham Harbour. A new fishing platform will provide much needed additional space for visitors to relax and cast a line at the Werribee River mouth shoreline.
Saltwater Reserve (Point Cook Soccer Club) Upgrade infrastructure including LED fittings, cross-arms and wiring.	Lighting Pitch 1, 2 & 3 (Transition to LED) and a new electronic scoreboard - \$460,000	Lighting upgrade to reduce energy costs, expand hours of usage and support expansion.
Saltwater Community Centre – outdoor amphitheatre upgrades	\$80,000	Permanent lighting and sound systems are required to allow the space to be fit-for-purpose. This will make the space accessible for the staging of performances (such as theatre, dance or live music) as community producers and organisers won't need to take on the expense of hiring this equipment. Consideration also needs to be given on making the door to the side of stage openable (it is currently a fire door). It is recommended a services engineer be engaged to assess the options.
Transport		
Saltwater Promenade Pedestrian Operated Signals (between Brookdale Road and Mirka Way)	\$500,000	Improved pedestrian safety, particularly at school times.
Community services and job creation		
Book Locker <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Saltwater Community Centre Point Cook Sanctuary lakes shopping centre 	\$300,000	To provide an access point to Wyndham Libraries collections in a rapidly developing area which does not currently have a library nearby. The book locker will enable residents to reserve and return items from any Wyndham Library branch from a local, convenient location. This will increase access to a range of reading and literacy opportunities for families.

Council thanks the State Government's investment in the municipality and value our ongoing collaboration to ensure we are working to provide the Wyndham community with access to the infrastructure they need.