



Annual Budget 2024-25

(Operating Projects)



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Item	Project Description	2024-25
Aboriginal Action Plan	Implementation of the Aboriginal Action Plan (3-year plan).	\$ 50,000
Aboriginal Grants Program	Continue the new Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community grants program launched in 2023-24	\$ 43,000
Wurundjeri Woi-worrung Partnership	This project seeks to progress and formalise, in a culturally-appropriate and respectful way, the partnership Council has with the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation (WWCHAC) and strengthen it to support the delivery of mutual goals.	\$ 70,000
Treaty Yarns	Implement Treaty Yarns project within the Aboriginal Action Plan	\$ 10,000
Cultural Diversity Action Plan	Implementation of the Cultural Diversity Action Plan (3-year plan).	\$ 50,000
Housing Strategy	Commence a planning scheme amendment to implement the recommendations of the Darebin Housing Supply and Demand and Neighbourhood Character Study	\$ 50,000
Homelessness Assertive Outreach	The Darebin Assertive Community Outreach program provides outreach and short-term case management to rough sleepers and people experiencing homelessness to help them find pathways out of homelessness.	\$ 380,000
Darebin Towards Zero	Establish Towards Zero program, a structured approach between organisations and agencies to provide support for people experiencing homelessness while working to secure housing. This project will also provide a real time approach to track and improve the effectiveness of services offered for people who are sleeping rough or at risk of experiencing homelessness.	Budget Carry Forward: \$80,000
Community Infrastructure Plan	Continue development of a plan to guide the provision of community infrastructure – buildings, facilities, places and spaces – within Darebin over a 20-year period.	\$ 55,000
Old Reservoir library site and adjoining carpark	Continue Masterplanning to understand the possible building profile on the land together with its constraints to realise the land's potential opportunities.	Budget Carry Forward: \$40,000
Community Vision Review and Council Plan (including Health and Wellbeing Plan), Financial Plan and Asset Plan development	Integrated project to deliver on Local Government Act 2020 requirements to review Community Vision and develop the Council Plan, Asset Plan and Financial Plan in accordance with Council's deliberative engagement approach and Council's Engagement Policy. Project outcomes will also inform the 2025-26 Budget.	\$ 300,000
Asset Plans	Funding to develop the Asset Plan required under the Local Government Act 2020	\$ 45,000
Councillor Induction	Funding to deliver the Councillor induction program	\$ 60,000
Council election promotion	Promote the 2024 Council election to raise awareness for potential Councillor candidates across the municipality	\$ 10,000
Place-based Projects	The place-based projects aim to address socio-economic disadvantage and health inequity in East Preston and East Reservoir through place-based community projects.	\$ 140,000

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E-Scooter Trial	Commence implementation of an e-Scooter trial from January 2025	\$ 50,000
Transport Safety	Design raised platform McFadzean Ave	\$ 10,000
Service Review program	Continue the Service Review program to inform Council decision-making on future service levels.	\$ 140,000
Solar Saver Program	Funding to support residents to switch to electrical equipment through the revised Solar Saver program	\$ 300,000
WaterWatch	WaterWatch is a citizen science program for monitoring waterway health. It also includes an educational component for schools.	\$ 25,688
Merri Merri Wayi	Merri Merri Wayi collaboration with the City of Merri-bek, Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation, CERES and other partners - a community-led collaboration to enable our natural and urban worlds to thrive along the Merri Creek.	\$ 25,000
Special Building Overlay (Flood Risk Assessments) (Planning scheme amendment)	In conjunction with Melbourne Water, a new flood mapping study was developed which demonstrates an overall increase in flood risk for the City affecting a large number of properties. This will inform development advice and will require a planning scheme amendment.	\$ 130,000
Flood and Risk Assessment	Consultation and expert assistance related to Flood and Risk Assessments.	\$ 100,000
Drainage Condition Inspections	Undertake a drainage condition survey to assess the structural condition of the drainage system and proactively plan for renewal and maintenance requirements to inform the Drainage Asset Management Plan.	\$ 200,000
LGBTIQA+ Action Plan	Funding to deliver actions from Rainbow Tick Accreditation or the Action Plan due to be completed in 2023-24	\$ 20,000
Climate Emergency Plan	Design and run a pilot 'concierge' program before it is upscaled across LGA in future years and undertake a climate food resilience scoping study	\$ 50,000
Active Spaces and Placemaking Program	Project funding to support Council's Active Spaces and placemaking priorities	\$ 30,000
Wingrove Street Alphington Masterplan	Commence work on the Masterplanning of the site at 2 Wingrove Street, Alphington site	\$ 40,000
Multicultural Oration	Funding to deliver a second Multicultural Oration	\$ 10,000
Total		\$ 2,393,688