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CONTEXT

Moonee Valley comprises approximately 43 square kilometres of land with around 67 per cent used for residential purposes. Moonee Valley is bordered by Maribyrnong, Brimbank, Moreland and Melbourne councils. At its closest point, it is approximately five kilometres from the Melbourne CBD. Tullamarine Airport, Essendon Fields Airport, CityLink, the Ring Road, Craigieburn railway line, Port of Melbourne, Melbourne Showgrounds, Flemington racecourse and Moonee Valley racecourse are all major metropolitan facilities and infrastructure located in and adjacent to the municipality.

The Maribyrnong River, Moonee Ponds Creek, Five Mile Creek and Steele Creek run through the municipality. The city has 220 parks, gardens and open space reserves that cover approximately 12.5 per cent of the municipality.

Moonee Valley holds strong economic potential as a premier location for business and investment. This is due to its strategic location in the Melbourne CBD-Tullamarine Airport corridor, and the major employment precincts of Airport West Major Activity Centre and Essendon Fields Airport.

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Community

The city is experiencing notable change in the community profile resulting in more pressure on community services and facilities. In 2018, Moonee Valley's population is estimated to be 126,700. This is forecast to grow to between 168,550 and 179,750 residents in 2040. This represents a forecast increase of between 33 per cent and 42 per cent on Moonee Valley's 2018 population.

In 2018 Moonee Valley is estimated to have 51,450 dwellings. This is forecast to grow to between 75,250 and 80,250 in 2040. This represents a forecast increase of between 43 per cent and 53 per cent on the number of dwellings in Moonee Valley in 2018.

Moonee Valley is a culturally and linguistically diverse community with more than a quarter of the population born overseas and an estimated 30 per cent speaking a language other than English at home.

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20-Minute Neighbourhoods

Moonee Valley comprises 13 20-minute neighbourhoods. Each neighbourhood has a distinctive character and identity, with individual challenges and opportunities. Neighbourhood planning ensures local priorities are identified and growth accommodated sensibly and strategically. Neighbourhood planning recognises the interconnections between the environment, housing, economy, transport and infrastructure at the neighbourhood level and applies a holistic lens to achieve healthy and sustainable outcomes for people and place.