

## Wattle Park

Improving parks for Melbourne's growing communities

**Suburban parks are important to all of us. They are where families create memories, connect with nature and each other. Suburban parks provide habitat for our native plants and animals, support healthy rivers and creeks, and help us tackle climate change.**

The Victorian Government is investing \$315 million in the Suburban Parks Program. It will create more than 6,500 hectares of new and upgraded parks and trails across Melbourne's outer growth suburbs. The Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) leads this program.

### Why invest in parks?

- to improve health and wellbeing
- to protect nature
- to strengthen cultural heritage
- to address climate change
- to attract jobs, investment, skilled people and visitors to Melbourne's growing outer suburbs.

### What is the Wattle Park project?

In 2018, the government committed to build a Tan-style running track and new adventure playground at Wattle Park.

Wattle Park is a much-loved park with important natural and cultural heritage. This project will provide significant upgrades to facilities in the heritage-listed park and provide easy access to nature for local communities and visitors.

A new all-abilities playscape will be built for kids to enjoy, and the walking/running track around the park will be improved to encourage people to enjoy social and healthy outdoor activities.

### Location

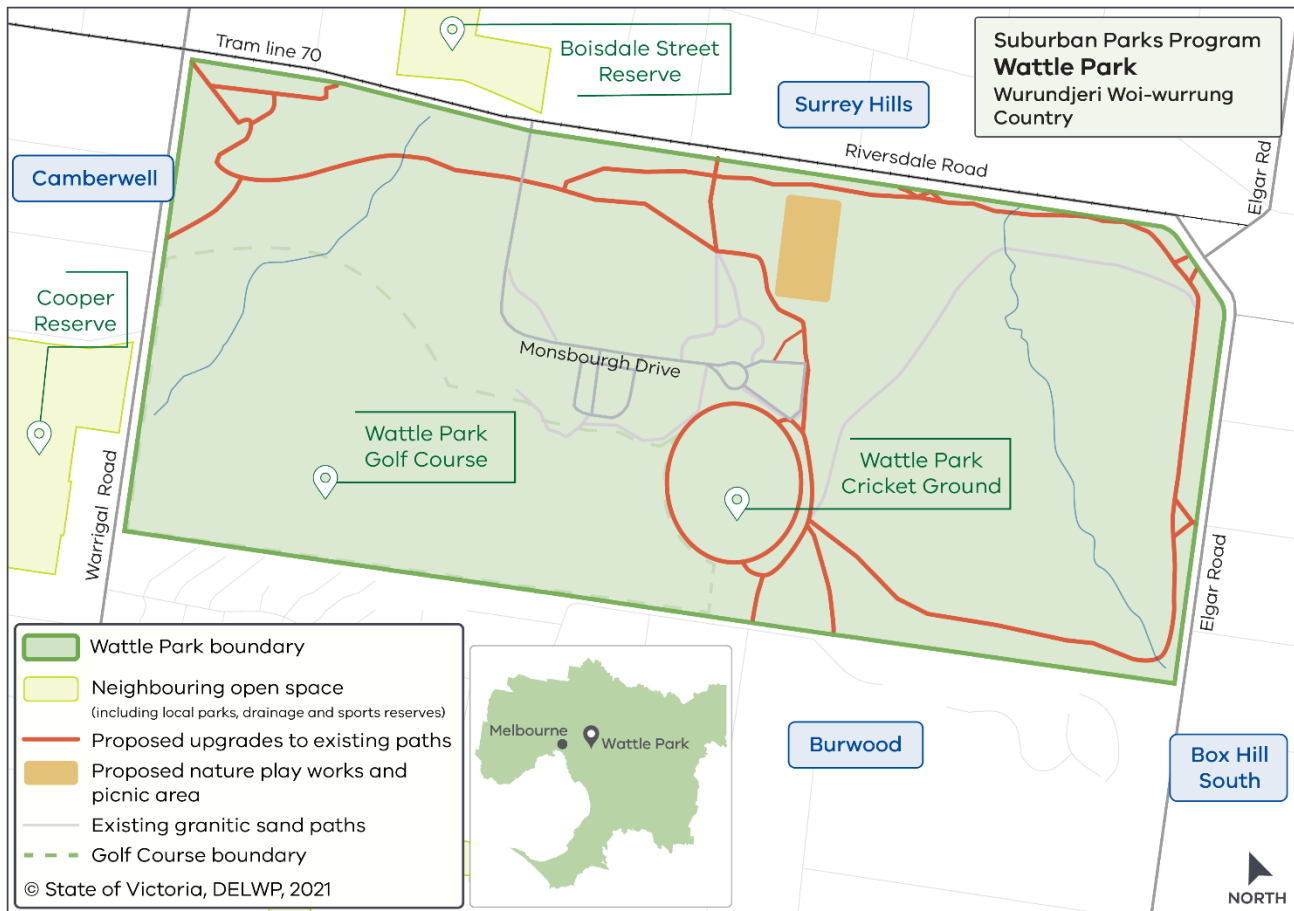
Wattle Park is in Burwood, about 15 kilometres from Melbourne's CBD on Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Country.

### When will the upgrades be done?

Parks Victoria completed [public consultations](#) on a vision for infrastructure in 2020 and on draft designs in mid-2021.

Construction commenced in July 2022. Subject to on-ground and industry conditions, upgrades are due to be completed by late-2022.





### Project partners

DELWP is working with Parks Victoria to deliver the project. Whitehorse City Council and Heritage Victoria are key partners in the proposed works.

### More information

Find out more about community consultation at the [Engage Victoria website](#). [Updates on the Suburban Parks Program](#) are available online. Or you can [email the Suburban Parks Program](#).

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