

## Toolern Creek Regional 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 growing outer 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 Toolern Creek Regional Park project?

In 2018, the government committed to complete planning for the 130-hectare Toolern Regional Park at Melton.

This project will refresh a masterplan to provide upgrades to the existing park. It will improve park access and provide basic visitor amenities that enhance visitor experience of nature, existing trails, bridges and infrastructure.

The upgraded park will invite people to enjoy recreational activities in a natural environment. It will provide much-needed open space for Melton's growing population and help protect waterways and habitats that shelter native plants and animals.

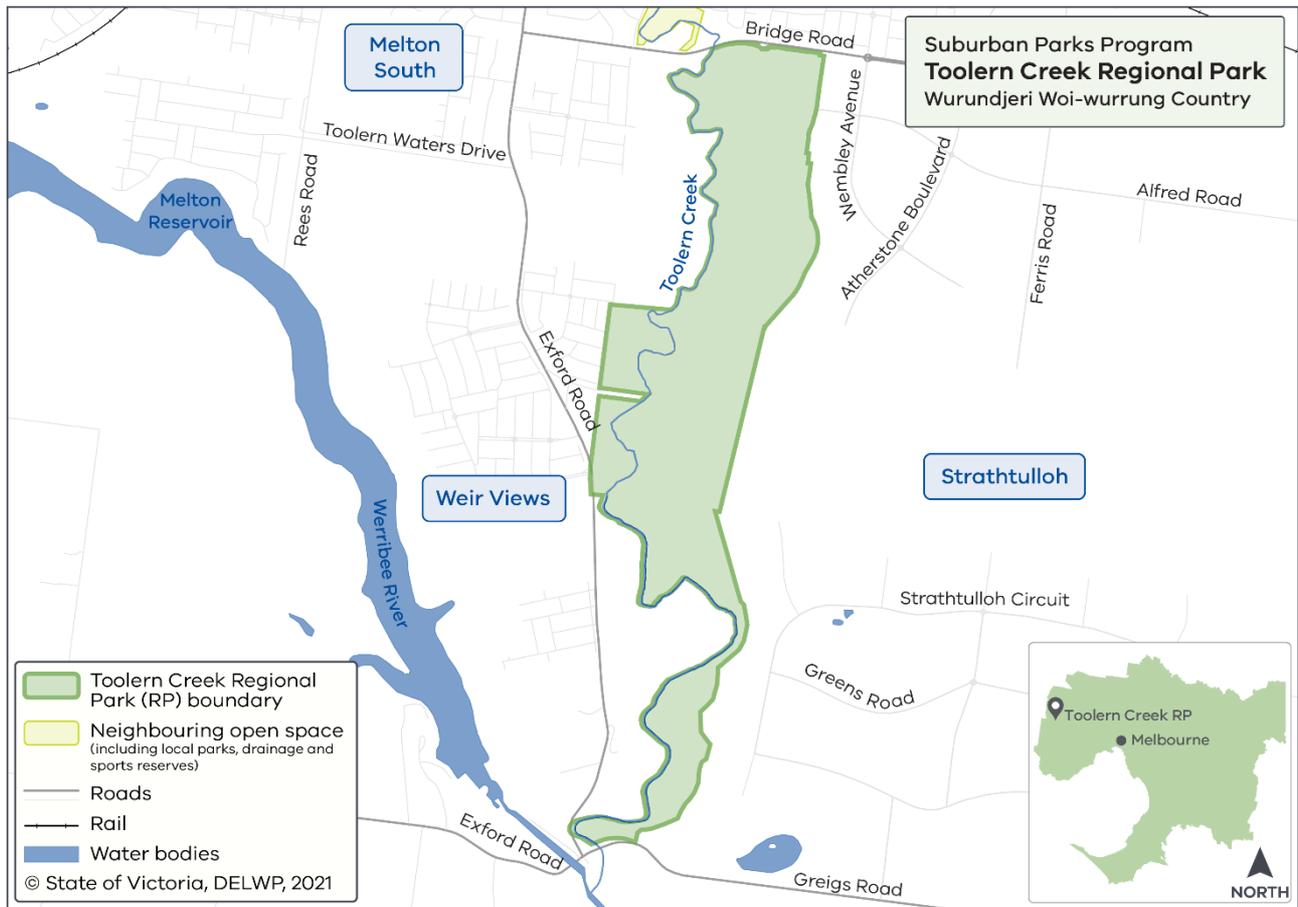
### Location

Toolern Creek Regional Park is about 30 kilometres from Melbourne's CBD in Melton South on Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Country. It follows Toolern Creek between Bridge and Greigs Roads.

### When will the upgrades be done?

Park planning is underway and community consultation was completed by Parks Victoria in July 2021. The draft plan was completed in late-2021 and final plans will be released in late-2022.





### Project partners and stakeholders

The park is currently owned and managed by Melton City Council. DELWP is coordinating the planning process and its completion. Parks Victoria is managing the project and delivery of early works.

Other project partners include:

- Melton City Council
- Melbourne Water
- Victorian Planning Authority.

### More information

Find more information on Toolern Creek Regional Park 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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