

Dwyer Street Reserve Community Pavilion (Kalkallo)

What is the project?

Kalkallo is a rapidly growing community in Melbourne's north. The 2024 population estimate for Kalkallo is 9,858, with projections indicating a rise to 18,095 by 2046.

To address demand for new sport and community infrastructure, Council is building a community pavilion at the Dwyer Street Reserve.

The project focuses on the development of a 1,584m² sport and community pavilion for soccer and cricket which will include:

- 200m² multipurpose community room equipped with advanced audio-visual (AV) facilities to host meetings, workshops and events
- a fully functional community kitchen
- four sets of female-friendly change rooms and trainer rooms, ensuring inclusivity and accessibility for all users
- two female-friendly official's rooms, aligning with modern standards for sporting facilities
- multiple equipment storerooms
- an office space
- public amenities
- a solar panel array paired with a storage battery system to ensure energy efficiency and sustainability.

Why is it important to the Hume City community?

Participation in sport offers a vital opportunity for creating a sense of belonging, especially within Hume City's diverse communities.

For young people from lower socio-economic backgrounds and humanitarian migrants, sport can be a pathway to belonging, self-development, and identity formation. It serves as a crucial vehicle for integration, enhancing social, psychological, economic, and physical capital within the community.

The Dwyer Street Reserve Community Pavilion will cater to the needs of the local sporting community, promoting health, well-being, and social connectedness through sport participation.

Beyond sports, the pavilion will serve as a versatile space for community gatherings, including family functions, celebrations, local business meetings, and community interest groups.

The pavilion's development aligns with broader government priorities, including increasing access to infrastructure and creating job opportunities.

By providing a space that meets the diverse needs of Kalkallo's growing population, the Dwyer Street Reserve Community Pavilion will contribute to the social and community inclusion essential for building a cohesive, vibrant, and resilient community in Hume City.

What we're seeking:

We need \$2,500,000 from the Federal Government to complete this project.

Hume City Council Contribution: \$5,100,000

Total Project Cost: \$7,600,000



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