

The Hume growth area includes Greenvale, Roxburgh Park, Craigieburn and Craigieburn West in Hume, and Donnybrook in neighbouring Whittlesea. This growth area:

- is only 20 kilometres from central Melbourne, bordered by the Hume Highway/Freeway and Mickleham Road
- is a strategic transport corridor of State and national significance (along the Hume Highway/Freeway and including the Somerton inter-modal freight terminal) for freight and passenger road and rail services
- is part of an important industrial and employment region for Victoria
- is the gateway to Melbourne for interstate and international visitors and for freight via Melbourne Airport
- has large areas available for potential development
- has significant water catchments, creek corridors, remnant vegetation and mineral resources on its east and west boundaries
- has important landscape features such as volcanic cones and biodiversity assets including grasslands and grassy woodlands.

ENOUGH ROOM TO GROW

This plan and the changes to the urban growth boundary provide enough land:

- for Hume to grow by 31,000–35,000 people
- for the additional 19,000–21,000 households that will need accommodation
- to encourage employment in local businesses and industries to grow to between 92,000 and 95,000 jobs.

GREEN SPACES FOR GENERATIONS

“It is important to protect waterways and other natural assets for recreation and open space.”

Hume Smart Growth Committee community workshop.

The Hume growth area plan:

- links the Greenvale Reservoir regional park to both the Merri Creek corridor and the metropolitan trails network
- requires neighbourhood parks and waterway corridors with natural assets such as remnant native vegetation to be established, many within walking distance of residential areas
- supports the development of Merri Creek as a ‘bio-link’ and open space corridor and protects all water courses draining through the area
- protects woodlands and grasslands along the Merri Creek corridor and around Donnybrook, and remnant red gum and grey box woodlands in the north
- excludes development from the headwaters of the Moonee Ponds Creek to protect water quality and the Woodlands Historic Park environment
- maintains future access to important extractive resources at Donnybrook
- protects the function of the Kalkallo flood retention basin.



A neighbourhood centre with open spaces provides for a range of recreation activities

hume in melbourne's north is the state's major industrial and employment region, and is the gateway to vital international and interstate markets

legend

ACTIVITY CENTRES

-  principal
-  major
-  neighbourhood (large)
-  specialised

URBAN AREA

-  existing

RESIDENTIAL

-  urban land supply

EMPLOYMENT

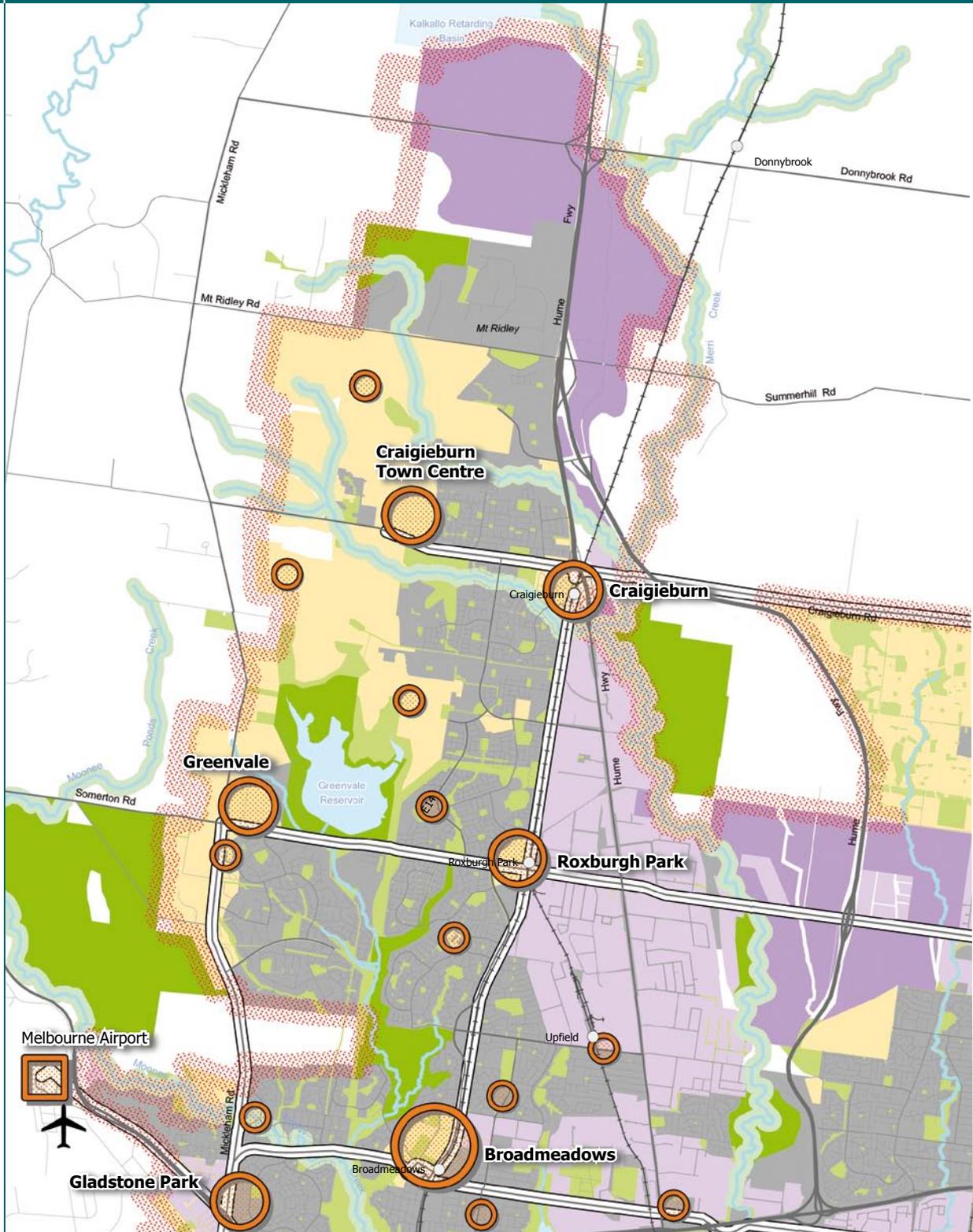
-  existing
-  proposed

UGB

-  urban growth boundary (refer to approved planning scheme maps for precise location and scale)

OPEN SPACE

-  regional significance
-  local network
-  significant creeks & buffers



approximate scale only



BETTER ACCESS

“Existing road and public transport infrastructure must connect communities, and the major north-south and east-west roads must be upgraded.”

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The Hume growth area plan:

- preserves land along the Hume Highway/Freeway and railway corridor for further industrial and freight uses
- identifies the E14 as a central road, helping to alleviate potential congestion on Mickleham Road and the Hume Highway
- supports improvements to public transport services, including completing the electrification of the rail line to Craigieburn Station and investigating new bus routes between major activity centres
- supports improved connections with the airport precinct
- proposes extending the principal bicycle network and the metropolitan trail network to key locations such as the upper Merri Creek valley.

THRIVING COMMUNITY LIFE

“Providing affordable housing, services and facilities within activity centres would give young people more choice.”

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The Hume growth area plan:

- focuses potential major employment and industrial growth close to the rail corridor and between the Hume Highway/Freeway and the railway
- encourages more development in and around existing and proposed activity centres
- provides more land for development to maintain local market competitiveness
- supports greater residential development and employment around existing rail-based activity centres, including the Broadmeadows Transit City, Roxburgh Park and the Craigieburn Station
- encourages a new mixed-use activity centre to develop at the new Craigieburn town centre
- provides a local employment focus for new office-based employment and service businesses at the proposed Greenvale activity centre
- establishes Craigieburn Station precinct and the new Craigieburn town centre as distinct yet complementary. The rail-based centre will focus on entertainment, education and community facilities, while the town centre will provide residential and retail opportunities and health services.



Land for industry and employment growth