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### Euroa Infrastructure projects given the green light

Extensions to the Euroa RSL Hall and a new Visitor Information Centre will be two exciting inclusions in Council's 2018/19 budget considerations.

Preliminary designs were endorsed by Council at the Ordinary Meeting on Tuesday 20 February, after drop-in sessions were held with the relevant stakeholders and the wider community in December.

The RSL will be opened up at the rear of the building, leading people to a brand new outdoor deck and entertainment area, uncovering the gorgeous views of the Sevens Creek and Victoria Cross Memorial Park.

The extensions will enhance the tourism profile of the hall and improve its capacity to hold events.

Council also supported the construction of a new Visitor Information Centre (VIC) and Customer Service building in Euroa with Bury Street frontage, which was the common preference of those who provided feedback.

It will feature a diagonal entrance at the corner of the building, which will face both Bury Street and the Travellers Rest on Kirkland Avenue.

Mayor Amanda McLaren said a new VIC is needed as the current building is non-compliant and therefore not recognised as an accredited VIC.

"We hope that the new VIC is welcoming for both residents and visitors to Euroa and we look forward to working closely with our volunteers and the community in making this a great local space," Cr McLaren explained.

The new building will allow for a more integrated approach to Visitor Information and Customer Service functions and provide better access to visitors who stop at the Travellers Rest when passing through Euroa.

Mayor McLaren said the two projects form part of a broader strategy to raise the liveability and tourism profile of the Strathbogie Shire.

"If the shire is going to attract visitors, residents and investment, we need infrastructure that is going to support this," Mayor McLaren said.

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