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DONCASTER HILL WINS MORE FUNDING

Manningham City Council has secured another Victorian Government grant to fund important infrastructure improvements on Doncaster Hill.

The \$15,000 grant, through the Department of Infrastructure's Local Area Access Program, will fund preliminary work on the creation of an innovative modal interchange that will act also as a transport and community information hub.

The interchange will be located at the frontage of the Civic Precinct, on the Doncaster Road frontage of the Municipal Offices, linking with the soon-to-be-implemented SmartBus and Doncaster Area Rapid Transit (DART) services, as well as cycling trails and a range of facilities to be included in plans for the precinct.

Koonung Ward representative, Cr Bill Larkin, said that Council's various successful grant applications for projects on Doncaster Hill were a further endorsement of the Doncaster Hill Strategy by State Government departments.

He said this particular project was part of a wider strategy to provide more transport options to local residents and visitors to the Hill.

"The aim of the project is to assist in reducing car dependency to, from and around Doncaster Hill and ties in to projects to upgrade the Doncaster Hill Pedestrian Underpass and improve pedestrian and cycling links between the Civic Precinct and Westfield Doncaster," said Cr Larkin.

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