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# **Setting the Scene**

~7,000 Athletes and officials

Over 1 million+ tickets

Global TV and online audience

Up to 15,000 volunteers

Over \$3 billion to Victorian economy











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### Governance

### **Victoria 2026 Organising Committee**

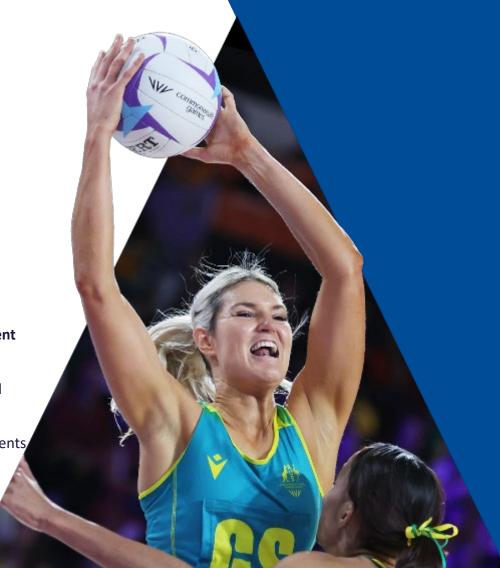
The Organising Committee is responsible for sports and games operations, temporary overlay, cultural programs, and commercial arrangements.

- Established Commonwealth Games Organising Committee, headquartered in Geelong
- Partnership with Commonwealth Games Federation and Commonwealth Games Australia
- · Appointed Chair of the Board Peggy O'Neal AO
- Appointed Chair of the First Peoples Leadership Group Belinda Duarte AM

### Office of the Commonwealth Games (OCG)

OCG is responsible for, providing support and oversight of the OC's obligations under a funding agreement between the State of Victoria and the OC.

- Established the Office of the Commonwealth Games, within the Department of Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions
- In partnership with Development Victoria, responsible for delivering the sporting infrastructure investments





Bendigo

Ballarat

**Q** Geelong

Gippsland

# Sport & Para Sport

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### **NINE PARA SPORTS**

**Para Swimming** 

Para Triathlon

Para Powerlifting

**Para Athletics** 

3x3 Wheelchair Basketball

**Cycling Para Track** 

Para Lawn Bowls

Para Table Tennis

**Shooting Para Sport** 

#### **TWENTY SPORTS**

Aquatics (Swimming; Diving)

**Athletics** 

Badminton

Beach Volleyball

Boxing

**Coastal Rowing** 

Cricket T20 Women's

Cycling:

- BMX
- Mountain Bike
- Road Race,
- Time Trial
- Criterium
- Track

Golf

Gymnastics (Artistic)

Hockey

Lawn Bowls

Netball

**Rugby Sevens** 

Shooting

Squash

**Table Tennis** 

Triathlon

Weightlifting

3x3 Basketball

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# **Community engagement**



Maximising local supply chain opportunities



Prioritising regional, First Peoples and social procurement



Increasing capacity and skills in key industries



Early procurement commencing in 2023



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# Villages

### Four Games villages, ~7000 athletes and officials

Games Village development is progressing through design and procurement phases, in close consultation with local government, Traditional Owners and key stakeholders.

The Expressions of Interest process was very successful, with Requests for Proposals sent to shortlisted contractors.

Cultural Heritage Management Plans (CHMPs) have been approved for Morwell and Bendigo and are progressing for Geelong and Ballarat.

Main works construction commencement targeted by end 2023.



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### **Venues**

### Three major venue investments

Eureka Stadium, Ballarat (athletics and para-athletics) - \$150 million

- Additional 5,000 permanent seats
- Permanent warm up track, clubhouse and carpark retained for legacy use as a community athletics facility post games
- · DDA access upgrades, fencing and landscaping

Armstrong Creek (swimming, para-swimming and diving) and Waurn Ponds (gymnastics; weightlifting and para-powerlifting) - \$292 million

- Providing world-class venues during Victoria 2026, and leaving a significant sporting and community legacy
- Delivering a new community pool, high-ball courts and brand new facilities and public open spaces
- Brand new multi-sport venue transformed after the Games into high-ball courts, a dance studio, and regional-level gymnastics venue





### Timeline to 2026





### **Mobilisation**

- Authorise governance structures, with CGF and CGA
- Finalise sporting program
- Finalise village & venue locations
- Activate consultation and event planning

### 2023

### **Planning**

- Design and procure villages & venues
- Local supply chain procurement
- Transport & security planning
- Technology and broadcast planning and procurement

### 2024

### **Delivery**

- Village & venue construction underway
- Finalise sporting schedule
- Activate local workforces and volunteers

### 2025

### Readiness

- Temporary venues installed
- Ticket campaign launch
- Warm-up and test events
- Demonstrations and showcases

#### 2026 +

#### **Game On**

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17 - 29 March