While construction continues on the $2.8 million Tallangatta Integrated Community Centre, project stakeholders are in the final stages of planning for the services to be delivered from the Centre when it opens in 2016.

Construction works are continuing with a focus on internal areas including wall and ceiling linings, painting and the fit-out of wet areas.

Council had originally anticipated the TICC would be opened in January however delays in the building program which are outside of Council’s control has meant that a January opening is not possible.

The services delivered from the TICC will now be progressively rolled out in the new year.

The roll-out will begin with Library and Maternal and Child Health services in February-March, with Kindergarten and Childcare commencing from term two.

Council will provide information to the community as to exact opening dates in the new year.

Kindergarten children for 2016 will commence in the existing building in Banool St and relocate when the new facility is ready for business.

Childcare will commence in line with the Kindergarten relocation. Please register your interest for childcare services at info@towong.vic.gov.au

Showcasing sustainable design

Eco-friendly design features incorporated into the TICC will result in visual, financial and environmental benefits.

The building’s solar passive design, extensive insulation and solar panels will reduce heating and cooling costs as well as greenhouse emissions. A central corridor has been designed to maximise access to natural light, which will also assist with interior lighting and warmth.

Building materials, such as sustainably sourced Australian plywood, will also contribute to the thermal efficiency of the building.

Showcasing energy efficient building design and eco-friendly construction materials was a key priority of a TICC funding partner, Sustainability Victoria.
Making space for all

The TICC has been designed as a one-stop shop for a range of community activities, all conveniently located in Tallangatta’s CBD.

A flexible childrens area will meet licensing and regulatory conditions for kindergarten and childcare services. A landscaped outdoor playspace for the young children will also be completed in time for the centre’s opening in 2016.

The light-filled library which will incorporate both ‘quiet time’ and ‘children’ zones will face out onto Towong Street. The ‘Community Space’, will also be located at the front of the building and will be available to community groups as a meeting and activity space.

Great new stock selected for library

A great selection of new books, audio books and DVDs have been ordered to fill the shelves of the TICC’s brand new library. Purchasing new items for our library involves other processes, including protective covering, cataloguing and barcoding. Council has been pleased to work with suppliers to have the new products delivered ‘shelf-ready’, with significant time and financial efficiencies achieved.

The Victorian Government has provided its support for Tallangatta’s new library through its Living Libraries program.