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LIVEABILITY BOOST FOR WESTERN SYDNEY COMMUNITIES

Communities across Western Sydney, including the bushfire-affected shire of Wollondilly, will today receive a liveability boost to local infrastructure.

Round two of the Western Parkland City Liveability Program will mean \$40.2 million will be spent across projects including a new wave pool, sports field and performance space.

The \$190 million Liveability Program is part of the Western Sydney City Deal, an agreement between the Commonwealth, State Government and eight Western Sydney local councils.

Minister for Population, Cities and Urban Infrastructure, Alan Tudge said the investment will shape the region as an epicentre for liveability in Sydney.

“Not only will these projects benefit Western Sydney locals who will use the A-grade facilities, but it will also create new jobs and stimulate the local economies,” Mr Tudge said.

“Through the Western Sydney City Deal we set a target of 200,000 new jobs in the Western Parkland City, and every investment contributes to realising that target.”

NSW Minister for Jobs, Investment, Tourism and Western Sydney Stuart Ayres said the projects will create liveable and sustainable neighbourhoods.

“This Liveability Program is strengthening our Parkland City’s transformation into one of the most vibrant and liveable places in Australia.” Mr Ayers said.

The Western Parkland City takes in the council areas of Hawkesbury, Penrith, the Blue Mountains, Fairfield, Liverpool, Camden, Campbelltown and Wollondilly.

Member for Hume Angus Taylor said it was a critical time to stimulate and support Western Sydney centres, given the effect of the recent bushfires.

“These new facilities will attract visitors as well as locals, helping boost bottom lines for businesses and creating new jobs for the people of Western Sydney,” Mr Taylor said.

This is the second and final round of the Western Parkland City Liveability Program, with allocations for Camden, Campbelltown, Hawkesbury and Penrith councils filled in the first round.

The Western Sydney City Deal will capitalise on the opportunities presented by the new Western Sydney International (Nancy-Bird Walton) Airport, being delivered through a \$5.3 billion Australian Government investment.

For more information on the Western Sydney City Deal, visit <https://citydeals.infrastructure.gov.au/western-sydney>

Download artist's impressions of the projects here:

https://www.dropbox.com/sh/vrgj1dwk3tp6jkq/AADlc4Xq4le_F-1EbM9M3CB8a?dl=0

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Western Sydney City Deal – Mayoral Quotes

Councillor Matthew Deeth, Mayor of Wollondilly Shire Council

“The Western Parkland City Liveability Program funding offers an exceptional opportunity for significant infrastructure investment in the Wollondilly Shire to help meet our current and future community needs. This is especially good news given the challenges our community has recently had to face with the bushfires.

“The funding commitment for our Community, Cultural and Civic Precinct in Picton and the Tahmoor Sporting Complex will help create more liveable and sustainable spaces for our residents and visitors to come together and celebrate what we love about Wollondilly - community, arts, culture, sport and open spaces. It will also provide a boost to the local economy and drive further investment in the area.”

Councillor Wendy Waller, Mayor of Liverpool City Council

“Liverpool City Council welcomes the Liveability Program funding announced for the Light Horse Park masterplan.

“The new Light Horse Park is a key part of Council’s vision to refocus Liverpool towards the Georges River. Light Horse Park will become a living bridge between the CBD and the river as well as a world-class recreation hub with sports fields, community facilities, playgrounds and gardens.”

Councillor Mark Greenhill OAM, Mayor of Blue Mountains City Council

“We welcome the announcement of the Liveability Program funding for the upgrade of Springwood Library. This means we can greatly improve access to the complex, for all our users, and particularly for those with mobility issues.

“Springwood Library is an important community facility and it’s important to provide a modern library for the growing Blue Mountains community.”

Councillor Frank Carbone, Mayor of Fairfield City Council

“We are pleased to be able to announce the construction of a wave pool at Aquatopia for residents of the whole region to enjoy – with the assistance of Liveability Program funding as part of the Western Sydney City Deal.

“This is a great example of how different levels of government can work together in partnership to improve people’s quality of life and facilities.” – Fairfield City Mayor Frank Carbone

Background

What started as a \$150 million commitment has now exceeded \$190 million as a result of some councils contributing significantly more than the minimum required co-contribution (\$3.75 million). The total Program contributions are \$60 million from the Australian Government, \$60 million from the NSW Government and \$70,057,035 from councils.

Under the Program, each of the eight councils receives \$15 million in grant funding (\$7.5 million from both of the Australian and NSW governments).

Full details of funding for the second round announced today are below.

Projects already funded in the first round of funding include:

- Improvements to sports fields and facilities
- A new swimming lagoon
- Showground improvements
- Local park upgrades
- Town centre remodelling
- Better access to community facilities for people with disabilities
- A skate park

Council & Project description	Total funding
Blue Mountains City Council Blue Mountains will build an additional entry (a fully automatic door) at the lower ground level of Springwood District Library in order to provide ease of access for all library users, particularly those with mobility constraints.	\$61,051.78
Fairfield City Council Fairfield will to construct a community Wave Pool at Prairiewood. The Wave Pool would be an extension to the existing Aquatopia water park, and would provide a water and swimming facility for all members of the community. It will promote an active and healthy community, provide equitable and affordable recreation, and help mitigate urban heat impacts during summer.	\$8,771,083.00
Liverpool City Council Liverpool will construct a playground and sports field (a multi-purpose recreational space) as part of stage one of its Light Horse Park redevelopment project. Stage one of the project also includes detailed design and design project management components that will be fully funded by Council.	\$6,650,000.00
Wollondilly Shire Council - Community Cultural and Civic Precinct Wollondilly will deliver Stage 1 of a Community Cultural and Civic Precinct, including a 350 seat performance space, refurbished Shire Hall, new commercial and community building and workshop/studio space. This project will provide significant social, environmental and economic benefits in an LGA that is undergoing significant growth	\$20,100,000
Wollondilly Shire Council - Tahmoor Sporting Complex Wollondilly will reorganise the layout of the current Tahmoor Sporting Complex's fields, courts and recreational spaces to improve player safety and spectator experience. The project will benefit the Western Parkland City community through providing improved recreation facilities and significant improvements to liveability and amenity throughout the local government area and broader Western Parkland City.	\$4,659,561.00
Total	\$40,241,695.78