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State Government funds pavilion redevelopments for sports clubs in Carnegie

The Hon. Ros Spence and Member for Oakleigh Steve Dimopoulos MP today visited Lord Reserve and Koornang Park in Carnegie, ahead of works commencing to build the new Lord Reserve Pavilion.

The two existing sports pavilions at Lord Reserve will be demolished before the end of March. The new pavilion will consolidate these facilities into a single building to provide improved amenities and much needed social space for the tenant sporting clubs.

The State Government has contributed \$1 million towards the construction of the new Lord Reserve Pavilion, which will feature Environmentally Sustainable Design initiatives, six multipurpose change areas with unisex bathrooms, a social space and kitchen/kiosk area, storage areas, amenities for officials and public toilets. Council will contribute \$3.06 million.

In addition to this, the State Government has committed a further \$1 million to retrofit and enhance the pavilion at neighbouring Koornang Park. These enhancement works are now well underway, which will provide a redeveloped social space with viewing window, consolidated kitchen/kiosk area, improved storage and change areas, and upgrades to the grandstand area. Council will contribute \$150,000.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Margaret Esakoff said the visit today was a great opportunity for Glen Eira to showcase the extensive opportunities available within community sport, and to observe the needs and benefits that the State Government funding provides to improve community facilities.

"I would like to thank the State Government for its generous contributions to the redevelopment of these facilities, and for the opportunities that will be provided to the Glen Eira sporting community" she said.

"Council appreciates the ongoing support from the State Government to provide facilities that accommodate the growing participation in sport within Glen Eira."

Cr Esakoff said with very little team sport being played in 2020, it was great to see so many individuals, families and friendship groups reengaging in sport and recreation activities.

"The redevelopment of these pavilions provides a fantastic opportunity for us to support the great work that our sporting club volunteers do to keep our community active," she said.

Redevelopment works at Koornang Park Pavilion are expected to be completed by June 2021, with construction of the new Lord Reserve Pavilion to be finished by mid-2022.

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