



Martin Pakula MP

State Member for Keysborough

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SPRINGING INTO ACTION FOR THE SPRINGVALE COMMUNITY

The local community will enjoy new public recreation spaces and sporting facilities in the heart of Springvale, thanks to a \$513,000 boost from the Andrews Labor Government.

Member for Keysborough Martin Pakula today announced the City of Greater Dandenong was the successful recipient of the grant through the Labor Government's *Community Sports Infrastructure Fund*.

The funding will go towards the sport and recreation component of the Springvale Community Precinct, with the City of Greater Dandenong contributing \$4.9 million towards the project.

The Springvale Community Precinct will involve a mix of sport, recreation, open space and landscape features including:

- Children's play space with play equipment, including water play
- A multi-use sports court, viewing area, seating and fencing
- Table tennis table, foosball table and four square courts
- Central plaza with interconnected path network throughout the site
- Central civic green with grassed open space, tree planting and gardens
- Picnic tables and BBQ facilities
- Supporting infrastructure including bike racks, drinking fountain, signage and rubbish bins

The Springvale Community Precinct will also support a range of organised activities such as sporting clinics, walking groups, fitness groups, community programs, and events and festivals.

The new precinct will be developed alongside the new library and community hub, which the Government also supported with a \$750,000 boost through the *Living Libraries Infrastructure Program* in 2017.

Statewide, the Labor Government has already invested \$120 million in its *Community Sports Infrastructure Fund*, which helps communities develop play spaces, sports grounds and clubrooms.

Quotes attributable to Member for Keysborough Martin Pakula

"This is a fantastic outcome for Springvale and I'm confident this will be a community hub for years to come. The precinct will give locals the opportunity to get involved in the community and it will help cater to our growing population."

"We're really pleased to be investing in this project and I thank the City of Greater Dandenong for its hard work in bringing this project to life."

Quotes attributable to Greater Dandenong Mayor Councillor Youhorn Chea

"This significant funding announcement will assist Council in its much anticipated revitalisation of the Springvale Community Precinct."

"Council is committed to ensuring our community is active and engaged. This grant will enable Council to provide a range of sport and recreational activities in the new precinct."

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