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A GROUND-BREAKING DAY AT NEWLAND PARK

The much-anticipated Regional Skate and Play Precinct at Newland Park has officially broken ground, marking a major milestone in a game-changing project for the Alice Springs community.

Member for Lingiari Marion Scrymgour was joined by Northern Territory Government Minister for Logistics and Infrastructure Bill Yan MLA, Alice Springs Mayor Matt Paterson, and representatives from MPH Construction to kick off the project with a sod-turning ceremony today. The sod-turn officially started construction on the development.

The precinct will include a regional level skate park that has been designed with thorough community consultation, as well playground equipment, green spaces and ample shading.

It will also include a pump track, 3x3 basketball court, dog park and expanded car parking to enhance opportunities for recreation and social connection.

The state-of-the-art facility is a joint project between three levels of government, with a \$4 million commitment from the Australian Government under its Priority Community Infrastructure Program, \$1.8 million from the Northern Territory Government and \$2.8 million from Alice Springs Town Council.

Quotes attributable to Federal Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government Minister Catherine King:

“This project is a fantastic example of the incredible benefits that can be delivered for communities when all three levels of government work together.

“Our joint funding will see the existing parkland get a much-needed upgrade and a range of brand-new amenities, to provide a bigger community and play hub for residents, community groups and visitors to Alice Springs to enjoy.”

Quotes attributable to Northern Territory Government Minister for Logistics and Infrastructure, Mr Bill Yan MLA.

“Our CLP government is proud to back the development of Newland Park as part of our \$27 million infrastructure plan to make Alice Springs an even better place to live.

“This plan is all about delivering better sporting facilities that support the well-being of our community, especially for our kids. We can’t wait to see the skate park finished and watch the Alice Springs community enjoy the benefits it’ll bring.”

Quotes attributable to Member for Lingiari Marion Scrymgour:

“This project will deliver a modern skate and play park for people to enjoy. I am excited about the benefits these upgraded facilities will provide local residents and visitors to Alice Springs. It will also be good for local businesses.

“Additionally, construction on the project will provide critical local employment opportunities by supporting 31 jobs.”

Quotes attributable to Mayor of Alice Springs Town Council Matt Paterson:

“With the ribbon just cut on the new Adventure Park, it’s fantastic to turn our attention to another project that will be a gamechanger for families in Alice Springs.

“This is such an important investment in our community’s future and we can’t wait to see this come to life. The Regional Skate and Play Precinct is something that will benefit young people for generations to come and it’s exciting to begin work so quickly to have this project completed in 2025.

“I’d like to thank the Australian Government and the Northern Territory Government for their significant contributions to this project. This shows how the community can benefit when all three levels of government work together.”

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