

Lighting for Community Parks



Community sport is an important part of Australian life.

Often the life blood of local communities, sporting clubs bringing people together, help to create community ties, promote healthy and active lifestyles and help kids learn important values such as teamwork and sportsmanship.

Well-maintained and resourced sports ovals, playing courts and community parks are essential for sports clubs and community recreation.

Providing at lighting at ovals and parks extends the time the community can make use of ovals, parks and courts also makes them safer and more welcoming for individuals and families to use for exercise and recreation.

With more people working longer hours, it is important for more parks and ovals to be available for use in the evening.

Fast Facts

- Since coming to office in 2008, the Liberal led Government has supported more than 1,000 projects at sporting facilities through Community Sports and Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF) grants totalling more than \$169 million.
- We have invested in more than;
 - 46 sporting ovals,
 - 43 swimming pools,
 - 92 clubrooms,
 - 300 tennis, basketball and netball courts,
 - 90 bowling greens and
 - 171 floodlighting developments
- In the latest round of CSRFF grants \$1.6 million of the \$11.9 million in grants went to lighting projects.
- Projects grants range from \$312,132 at Kostera Oval, Kalamunda and - \$318,000 Town of Port Hedland for lighting at Osprey Oval to smaller projects such as \$78,000 for Leschenault Park Harvey and \$66,000 for Noranda Sporting Complex.



Our Commitment

A re-elected Liberal Government will commit \$4.5 million over three years to install and upgrade lights across our State's community sports facilities.

This is a short term funding injection to ensure that most major sports grounds that do not currently have lighting are able to access funds to install lighting if the community wants it.

This funding is in addition to the \$10 million already allocated to the Government's Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund. It will be administered through CSRFF and directed specifically at lighting projects.

CSRFF currently meets one third of the cost of a community sports project.

Lights will:

- Extend playing hours so sports can be played during the evenings when it is cooler during the hotter summer months.
- Extend the time an oval can be used by providing more options for game times and training times for all sports including football, soccer, athletics and cricket.
- Encourage physical exercise by ensuring there are more opportunities to use ovals and courts for activities.



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