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## **Joint Media Release**

### **FUNDING FOR PENRITH COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE**

The Rudd Labor Government will provide \$721,000 for six ready-to-go community infrastructure projects in the Penrith region as part of our plan to support jobs in Western Sydney while delivering lasting benefits for the community.

Anthony Albanese, Minister for Infrastructure and Local Government, was in Penrith with Member for Lindsay, David Bradbury, to announce the projects.

Mr Albanese said that the new funding would help upgrade local community halls, playgrounds, parks and recreation areas, and community education facilities across Penrith, including in Emu Plains and Berkshire Park.

David Bradbury, Member for Lindsay, today said that importantly, these six projects are expected to support 60 jobs during construction, keeping local people employed in difficult economic times.

“We will deliver this funding to the Penrith City Council from the second round of our Regional and Local Community Infrastructure Program (RLCIP).

“The six projects announced today were put forward by the Penrith City Council as local community priorities,” Mr Bradbury said.

Mr Albanese said that in just over a year, the RLCIP had delivered \$1 billion to build and renew community facilities across Australia, making it the largest single investment in local infrastructure in the nation’s history.

“Already more than 3,300 community construction projects have either been completed or are underway through the first round.

“Some of these projects have been on the drawing board for years. By letting local communities decide, the Rudd Government is helping turn the community’s vision into a reality.

“Across the country the RLCIP is funding sporting fields, swimming pools, libraries, community halls, child care centres, water and energy saving facilities and other local projects,” Mr Albanese concluded.

A full project list follows. Further information is available at: <http://www.infrastructure.gov.au/local/cip/index.aspx>

## **APPROVED PROJECTS**

### **Penrith City Council - \$721,000**

- \$171,000 Construction of playgrounds in Penrith
- \$140,000 Upgrade of childcare centres in Penrith
- \$75,000 Upgrades along the Great River Walk in Emu Plains
- \$140,000 Construction of a lookout along the Great River Walk
- \$158,470 Upgrades at the Berkshire Park Hall
- \$36,530 Upgrades at the University of the Third Age education centre building in Penrith