

Media Release

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ROBINVALE PLAY PRECINCT SWINGS INTO ACTION

The Allan Labor Government is delivering a new space for young people and families to play, socialise and learn more about Country, with the completion of an expansive new play precinct in Robinvale.

Minister for Regional Development Jaclyn Symes today announced the brand-new play precinct, funded through a \$990,000 grant via Regional Development Victoria and \$500,000 from the Labor Government's *Local Sports Infrastructure Fund*.

Named *Ngiwa Kulaithi*, which means 'to sit river' in the Latji Latji language, the precinct offers kids and kids-at-heart access to 5,000 square metres of play space, including a skate park and nature-play zones suitable for all ages and abilities.

The precinct features artwork by local First Nations artists Mariah Dunrobin and Stephanie Lingwoodock, that celebrates the area's Aboriginal cultural heritage and creates a sense of place and Country.

The new outdoor play area offers a destination for travellers in northwest Victoria and is expected to increase the number of visitors to the town, as well as enhancing Robinvale's liveability.

The project continues government investment in the area, with other initiatives including the *Seasonal Workforce Accommodation Program* and new key worker housing in Robinvale through the *Regional Worker Accommodation Fund*.

Construction of the precinct supported 26 jobs, with a further two ongoing roles created to manage maintenance of the precinct.

Funding for *Ngiwa Kulaithi* is part of the Labor Government's record support of more than \$47 billion for rural and regional Victoria in just over a decade, to ensure more locals have jobs close to home and regional economies can thrive.

The new play precinct is the latest example of our commitment to making Robinvale an even better place to live, work, stay, invest and study. For more information, go to rdv.vic.gov.au.

Quote attributable to Minister for Regional Development Jaclyn Symes

"Robinvale is home to a growing community which is also one of the most diverse in Australia – the completion of Ngiwa Kulaithi will draw more visitors to Robinvale, providing an important boost for the local economy."

Quote attributable to Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence

"We know that play and active recreation are cornerstones of young people's development and essential to the wellbeing of families – which is why it's so wonderful to see this regionally significant play precinct now open."

Quote attributable to Mayor of Swan Hill Rural City Council Cr Stuart King

"The playground is now a vibrant and inclusive space that families, visitors and the wider community can enjoy -- it's a lasting investment that will benefit local families and visitors for many years to come."

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