

Media Release

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NEW YOUTH SPACE OPENS IN ALTONA NORTH

Melbourne's Inner West is getting a new activity space for young people thanks to the Allan Labor Government.

Minister Spence opened the Zone Youth Space at Paisley Park, with a new pump track and basketball half court.

With more families moving into the area, Labor is delivering the growing demand for outdoor recreation facilities for young people.

The new space comes complete with an asphalt pump track, basketball court, hang out space with seating and lighting.

Designed in consultation with young residents, it provides a welcoming area for people to get together.

The space was made possible by a \$250,000 investment from the Local Sports Infrastructure Fund and partnership with Hobson Bay City Council.

The Labor Government is investing more than \$24 million to support community sports infrastructure across the state, including through the Local Sports Infrastructure Fund which is currently open for applications until 28 July.

Investments like these are all about creating jobs and building the sporting facilities that our communities deserve.

From skate parks to playgrounds upgrades, investments like these provide high-quality and accessible places for Victorians to reap the benefits of sport and active recreation participation.

For more information about infrastructure grant opportunities available visit sport.vic.gov.au.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence

"With more and more families moving into suburbs like Altona, it's wonderful to see young people in the area now have a space outdoors to hang out and socialise."

"Better facilities make it easier for Victorians to get back into local sport and live active and healthy lifestyles."

Quote attributable to Member for Williamstown Melissa Horne

"By taking on board feedback from the community, we've ensured that the Zone Youth Space is an important sport and recreation hot spot for years to come."