

Media Release

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SHINING A LIGHT ON CRIME PREVENTION IN MORELAND

Moreland residents will benefit from new lighting at six popular parks thanks to the Andrews Labor Government.

Parliamentary Secretary for Crime Prevention Frank McGuire today announced \$238,000 from Public Safety Infrastructure Fund for Moreland City Council to replace ageing lighting at Jacobs Reserve, Allard Park, Barkly Street Park, Brunswick Park, Methven Park and Bridges South Reserve.

Under the project, new LED lighting will be installed to improve visibility, increase perceptions of safety and help police to better monitor CCTV in the area.

The lighting will also help to attract more visitors by encouraging greater use of the parks in the evening. Planning for the project is already underway, with a local and state-based provider engaged to deliver the upgrades.

The council has also contributed more than \$59,000 towards the project, and installation is expected to begin from mid-May and be completed by the end of the year.

Since July 2015, the Labor Government has provided more than \$11 million in Public Safety Infrastructure Fund grants to support 73 projects across the state.

This includes 14 projects in Moreland comprising today's grant plus a major car park lighting project, two murals in graffiti-prone laneways, and 10 projects installing safety and security equipment at community facilities.

The grants form part of the Labor Government's Community Crime Prevention Program, which received \$25 million over four years in the *Victorian Budget 2018/19*.

Quotes attributable to Parliamentary Secretary for Crime Prevention Frank McGuire

"Installing LED lighting at these parks will increase perceptions of safety and encourage more people to use these facilities in the evening."

"We're creating better community connections by boosting safety infrastructure and ensuring that our public spaces are places that can be enjoyed by everyone."