

BACKING COMMUNITY SPORT

FURTHER, FASTER AND FAIRER FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY SPORT

Canberrans love sport. It helps us make friends, stay healthy and makes our lives better.

That's why we have some of the highest rates of community sport participation in the country - it helps keep the Canberra community connected.

But across the city, there are communities who can't plan events or take part in local sports. They need better spaces, facilities, and funding.

The ACT Greens will back local sport, and give our communities places where they can come together.

THE ACT GREENS WILL:

- ▲ Invest in a \$100 million plan for Canberra's sporting infrastructure needs
- ▲ Put \$124 million into the community sports and recreation projects that our local groups need
- ▲ Create a new peak body to champion sport and recreation across Canberra

FAIRER FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY SPORT

A PEAK BODY TO CHAMPION LOCAL SPORT

Sport and recreation activities bring us together as a community. But for almost a decade, the sector has not had a peak body to champion its work or represent its interests. Community sport and recreation organisations have to spend their own time and resources taking their priorities to government.

The ACT Greens will provide funding for a peak body that brings together the sport and recreation sector – and gives it a voice in major Government decisions. The body will liaise with government agencies and help them think through planning, land use, and public spending for local sports. It will also advocate for sporting groups across Canberra.

WHAT'S THE INVESTMENT?

- \$800,000 over four years

A \$100 MILLION PLAN FOR INFRASTRUCTURE

Our sporting facilities are crucial to having a thriving sports sector. But many of our facilities are ageing, and are close to capacity. From storage sheds to premier competition playing fields, these facilities are important to organised sporting groups and the local

community. Local groups also need more say over how these facilities are used and maintained.

The ACT Greens will invest \$100 million in a long-term plan to support and maintain the projects that our communities need. As part of the plan, we will consult with the community on an audit of our sporting infrastructure to understand what's needed to maintain, repair, and reuse our assets.

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INVESTING IN PROJECTS ACROSS CANBERRA

Across Canberra, there are communities who want to plan events and boost participation in local sport. Alongside our long-term plan, we will start making investments in the projects that are ready to get off the ground now.

Our plan will fund a Woden Multisports Facility, Molonglo Valley Shared Sports Facility, Gungahlin Indoor Multisports Stadium, and a Kambah Ovals AFL Facility.

Take a look at our full timeline to find out more.

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- \$124 million over four years

OUR TIMELINE FOR COMMUNITY SPORT AND RECREATION

As a first step, the ACT Greens will commit to a long-term plan for sports funding that offers certainty on funding priorities, decisions and announcements – a further, faster, fairer package for community sport.

Then we will invest:

- \$800,000 for funding a peak sports body, providing for two full-time employees to coordinate with Canberra's community sports and recreation organisations within the directorate
- \$100 million for future infrastructure funding needs, including a full audit of ACT sporting facilities to assist in long-term planning
- \$1.4 million (\$350,000 per season) for the Activation of Manuka Oval, supporting 25 days of access per season for cricket
- \$30 million for the Gungahlin Multi-sport Facility
- \$10 million for the Kambah Ovals AFL Facility
- \$30 million for the Woden Multi-sport Facility
- \$2 million to upgrade Reid Oval, extending from two to four lanes of synthetic cricket nets, lighting upgrades and change room upgrades to allow for more gender diversity among players using the field
- \$2.9 million for a Phillip Oval surface upgrade
- \$1.3 million on an International Upgrade for Carter Field
- \$1.5 million for Taylor, Powell & Watt Field carpet replacement and lighting upgrades for Taylor
- \$600,000 on a roof replacement for Ray Brown Indoor Stadium and Canberra City Gymnastics Centre
- \$4 million to upgrade Amaroo Reserve with a new pavilion, changerooms for female players and umpire facilities
- \$1 million to upgrade Jamison Oval, including upgrades to lighting and change rooms
- \$800,000 to upgrade Hughes Oval, including lighting and change room upgrades
- \$3 million for an upgrade of Aranda District Playing Fields Amenities
- \$1 million for Taylor playing fields facilities improvements
- \$2 million for Hawker Softball Field drainage improvements
- \$250,000 for a Southern Cross Stadium refurbishment
- \$30 million for a shared sport facility in Molonglo Valley shared sport facility
- \$2 million for maintenance of Hawker Football Centre.