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FEDERAL MEMBER FOR FLINDERS

Working for our Community



Phillip Island & Bass Region Highlights



Greg with Koo Wee Rup Secondary Principal Geoff Pledge and local State Member Ken Smith (far right of photo) inspecting progress on new buildings at Koo Wee Rup Secondary

\$1.2 MILLION FOR KOO WEE RUP SECONDARY

The local State Member for Bass, Ken Smith and I were delighted to announce \$1.2 million in Federal funding for the Koo Wee Rup Secondary College.

The funding will help with the construction of student lockers and staff work space, and upgrade of the general purpose classroom, commerce and personal development facilities, lecture room, staff/administration area, sick bay and amenities.

Whilst these Federal funds are a fantastic outcome for the local community there is some concern that the Bracks State Government will now cut their share of funding to the school.

It is imperative that the State continues to meet its funding commitments to Koo Wee Rup Secondary. Ken Smith and I will do everything in our power to convince the State not to reduce its funding to Koo Wee Rup Secondary.

\$50,000 FOR NEW PLAY EQUIPMENT AT BASS VALLEY PRIMARY

The local Bass Valley school is a vital part of the local community and I am delighted to announce that the Commonwealth will deliver \$50,000 for new play equipment.

This new play equipment will help to boost our local children's health and fitness whilst also providing a better environment in which to learn and grow.

\$22,624 FOR BASS COAST COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

The Bass Coast Community Health Centre will receive \$22,624 in Federal Government funding under the Emergency Relief Programme (ERP) to help provide emergency assistance to local families and individuals facing a financial crisis.

\$132,000 IN FEDERAL FUNDING FOR PHILLIP ISLAND BIKE TRACK

I was delighted to announce \$132,000 in Federal funding to help the Bass Coast Shire Council build a 3km Bike Track along the Phillip Island Tourist Road, Smiths Beach Road and Back Beach Road.

The new bike track will help maintain Phillip Island as a premier tourist destination whilst also making cycling and driving on Phillip Island much safer.

The total cost of this project is \$380,000 and is jointly funded by the Federal Government's Regional Partnerships program, VicRoads and the Bass Coast Shire Council.

NEW DOCTORS FOR LANG LANG AND GRANTVILLE

In rural and regional communities access to local services such as healthcare can be challenging and may involve a long drive. Fortunately that is no longer the case in either Lang Lang or Grantville where new medical centres are at the heart of two new Rural Transaction Centres.

The new Medical Centres have proven so popular that in Lang Lang a second doctor was recently appointed so that additional patients could be taken on.



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Greg Hunt with Mario of Mario's Restaurant in Kilcunda witnessing first hand the need for a local pedestrian crossing.

WORKING TO DELIVER A PHILLIP ISLAND AQUATIC CENTRE

Work is well underway on delivering an Aquatic Centre for Phillip Island with the Aquatic Centre Fund now close to signing a lease for a site and having raised approximately \$1 million in cash and in-kind contributions. In addition, they have provisional in-kind pledges of up to an additional \$500,000 dollars from local community businesses. This is a fantastic effort and all those involved deserve great praise for their hard work.

I strongly believe that an Aquatic Centre is not only necessary but viable and would be a tremendous boon for the Phillip Island community.

In particular, hydrotherapy facilities would be of enormous health value to locals, seniors and retirees.

I remain 100% committed to the project and anyone seeking to participate or contribute to this wonderful project should contact Pam Cameron on 0411 438 508 or Colin Gray on 5956 7952 for further information.

WORKING TO BUILD A PEDESTRIAN CROSSING IN KILCUNDA

Public safety has always got to be a number one priority and I am extremely concerned that pedestrians are unable to safely cross the Bass Highway in the township of Kilcunda.

With the township's population growing and tourist numbers on the rise it is only a matter of time before a serious accident occurs.

A petition calling for the Bracks State Government to take urgent action is available from my office and anyone interested in a copy can reach me on 5979 3188 to organise for a copy to be sent out.

10 POINT PLAN FOR KOO WEE RUP

I am working hard for Koo Wee Rup and with the help of local State Member Ken Smith have developed a practical 10 Point Plan for the local community.

- ✓ Work to replace the portables at the Koo Wee Rup Police Station with a permanent building.
- ✓ Work to upgrade the dangerous intersection of Station Street and Rossiter Road in Koo Wee Rup to make it safe.
- ✓ Work to help rejuvenate the street scape in Koo Wee Rup.
- ✓ Establish more car parking spaces.
- ✓ Revitalise the train line and train station.
- ✓ Ensure that the needs of the local hospital - the Koo Wee Rup Health Service - are met and that there is an adequate allocation of aged care places to meet local demand.
- ✓ Work to deliver more child-care and after-school care places for Koo Wee Rup.
- ✓ Work to construct the Koo Wee Rup bypass down the Koo Wee Rup-Pakenham Road. This will help reduce pressure on Clyde-Five Ways Road and improve road safety in Koo Wee Rup.
- ✓ Clean-up and pave the parking area outside Koo Wee Rup Primary.
- ✓ Work for an Australian Technical College annex for Koo Wee Rup Secondary to create additional opportunities for our children.



Cr Neville Goodwin, Mayor of Bass Coast Shire Council, Greg Hunt and Richard Percy from South East Development, at the Funding Announcement of \$132,000 for the 3km Tourist Bike Track at Phillip Island.

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