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### **NEW LIGHTING FOR THREE SPORTS OVALS IN PARKES**

Minister for Racing Paul Toole joined Parliamentary Secretary for Western NSW Rick Colless today to announce almost \$220,000 for lighting at sports ovals in the Parkes area.

Mr Colless said the funding will be used to upgrade lighting at Spicer and Woodward ovals in Parkes and Lindner Oval in Peak Hill.

“This project will benefit over 1,000 registered sports players and allow them to compete and train at night,” Mr Colless said.

“I welcome the NSW Government’s contribution of \$218,750 for these much needed lighting upgrades that will give locals more opportunities to get involved in sport.

“The announcement today will provide a great boost for local rugby league, rugby union, cricket, little athletics and soccer clubs,” Mr Colless said

Mr Toole said the project is one of 26 successful projects across NSW funded under the latest round of the Clubgrants category 3 infrastructure program.

“Over \$50 million in Clubgrants infrastructure funding is being provided in the current term of government for projects across sport and recreation, emergency preparedness, and arts and culture,” Mr Toole said.

These grants are funded through a rebate on the state’s registered clubs’ gaming machines to reinvest profits back into community projects.

“Our Government is pleased to provide this funding to help more people experience the many benefits of taking part in sport and leisure activities including improved fitness and well-being and greater social interaction,” Mr Toole said.

The NSW Government improved the program in 2017 to give community organisations more opportunities to apply for a wider range of projects.

“New funding options are encouraging more diverse projects, and a streamlined application process is cutting red tape and allowing for faster assessment,” Mr Toole said.

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