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NEW HIGH STREETS, PARKS AND LIBRARY POD TO TRANSFORM BURWOOD

Residents in Burwood will benefit from activated high streets and laneways, new and expanded local parks, gardens and playgrounds and an innovative library pod funded by the \$2 billion WestInvest Community Project Grants program.

Premier Dominic Perrottet, Treasurer Matt Kean and Minister for Local Government Wendy Tuckerman today announced \$20.7 million in funding to Burwood Council for eight projects through the city-shaping WestInvest program, which will deliver transformational infrastructure projects in West and South West Sydney.

The \$2 billion WestInvest Community Project Grants includes \$400 million for 15 Local Government Areas in West and South West Sydney, to advance priority local projects.

Projects funded in Burwood include:

- \$6.6 million for the **Burwood Main Street Transformation Project** to transform Burwood Road into a vibrant and iconic food and culture destination.
- \$3.9 million for the **Dean Street Precinct Transformation** which will build on the current NSW Government-funded trial to create a permanent food and entertainment destination in the heart of Burwood Town Centre.
- \$2.7 million for the **Henley Park Sports Field Upgrade** which will revitalise two aged sports fields to improve sport and recreational facilities.
- \$814,641 for the **Henley Park and Russel Reserve Expansion** which will transform 1,450m² of underutilised land into a new open space.
- \$2.2 million for the **Strathfield Place Making Project** which will transform Bells Lane into a vibrant laneway and shared pedestrian zone, increasing outdoor dining.
- \$2.5 million for the **Burwood Park Inclusive Play Space** to support a makeover of Burwood Park into an inclusive and welcoming recreational precinct.
- \$1.2 million for the **Woodstock Sensory Garden Project** which will revitalise an underutilised open space on the edge of the Burwood Town Centre.
- \$876,150 for the **Burwood Library Pod** which will implement new technology to deliver an innovative and purpose built 24/7 library pod in Enfield.

Burwood Council has contributed \$107,196 towards the Burwood Park Inclusive Play Space project.

Mr Perrottet said the projects funded in Burwood will deliver new and exciting infrastructure for everyone in the community to benefit from.

“WestInvest will help secure the best quality of life for families in West and South West Sydney,” Mr Perrottet said.

“These projects put forward by Burwood Council will reinvigorate and reimagine high streets and laneways and revitalise local parks, providing great enjoyment to the local community.”

Mr Kean said the High Street activation projects will transform streets with colourful public floor art and overhead catenary lights and artworks showcasing the local heritage and history.

“The Woodstock Sensory Garden is supported by community engagement and provides safe and accessible green spaces, particularly for people with a disability,” Mr Kean said

“The library pod project in Enfield allows users to scan their library card to borrow and return from the selection of 600 books curated based on the community profile.”

Mrs Tuckerman said the NSW Government allocated each of the 15 local WestInvest councils a share in WestInvest funding to accelerate projects to ensure communities benefit sooner.

“The projects put forward by Burwood Council are the result of years of community engagement and are aligned with the outcomes of the WestInvest Have Your Say survey,” Mrs Tuckerman said.

“This WestInvest funding will expedite priority community initiatives that we feel will have the greatest impact on the ground for residents in the Burwood local government area.”

Announcements will be made on projects submitted by the other LGAs soon.

The \$5 billion WestInvest program was made possible by the Government’s successful WestConnex asset recycling strategy. A further \$1.6 billion from the \$2 billion Community Project Grants is available to local community groups. Successful projects will be announced from December.

The \$5 billion WestInvest program also includes \$3 billion to deliver transformational projects that will benefit local communities, led by NSW Government agencies.

To find out more about WestInvest visit www.nsw.gov.au/grants-and-funding/westinvest

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