## CAMDEN COUNCIL Media Release



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## Minister for Sport and Recreation Visits Camden

Mayor of Camden, Councillor Lara Symkowiak showcased Camden Council's plans for sport and recreation facilities in the LGA when the Honourable Stuart Ayres, Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier for Western Sydney, along with State Member for Camden, Chris Patterson MP, visited Camden today.

"Camden Council is committed to providing state of the art sporting facilities in the Camden LGA and I was proud to be able to discuss plans for Stage 1 of the Narellan Sports Hub with the Minister".

"It is vital we increase the capacity of our sport and recreation facilities to ensure all residents have space to relax and play".

The Narellan Sports Hub will provide a range of facilities and will see the construction of netball courts, touch football fields, full athletics track, rugby field, multi-use athletics zones, amenities and a generous car park. The overall total cost of the project is approximately \$15 million and will be delivered over two stages.

The Mayor also took the opportunity to discuss Camden's first PCYC planned for Elderslie, a project which is funded by the NSW State Government and Camden Council.

"I thank Minister Ayres and Chris Patterson through the NSW State Government for their funding towards Camden's first PCYC. This will be a fantastic asset for the Camden community, in particular our youth. PCYC's are extremely important in helping young people develop life skills and provide a safe place where there is support, guidance and encouragement"

"The PCYC is being built in an area facing rapid growth with many families moving into Elderslie and nearby Spring Farm, as well as across the wider LGA. The new facility will add another dimension to what is fast becoming a diverse and exciting sport and recreation centre in Elderslie, with a range of community sporting facilities already onsite including BMX, Rugby League and skate boarding".

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"I would like to thank the Minister for coming to Camden today and allowing me to showcase the fabulous work my Council is doing in providing sport and recreation facilities. I look forward to continuing to work with the State Government, particularly our Local Member, Chris Patterson, to deliver a range of facilities for our growing community" she said.

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