

Media Release

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SHEPPARTON'S CYCLING VELODROME SHINES BRIGHT

Shepparton's much-loved velodrome now has upgraded lighting so people can get around it at night, thanks to the Allan Labor Government.

Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence today announced the new lights are in action so local clubs can train after dark and the venue can host major BMX events – bringing cyclists and their friends and families to the region.

Further upgrades are coming to the BMX Track and the cycling precinct in the near future including a new multi-use pavilion and enhancements to the start hills – improving the whole experience for riders, spectators and broadcasters.

The two-storey pavilion will give spectators top notch views of the whole track and serve as a new hub for events and community gatherings for the town.

The project is being delivered through the Labor Government's *Regional Sports Infrastructure Program* in partnership with Greater Shepparton City Council. The *Regional Sports Infrastructure Program* is delivering 16 projects across the state.

Shepparton is a well-known hub for cycling and other sports and the town is getting more exciting upgrades including to the VISY Community Stadium, Shepparton Sports Stadium and Sports City – giving the community world-class facilities they can be proud of.

The *Regional Sports Infrastructure Program* is part of the Labor Government's record \$45 billion investment since 2014 in projects and programs that matter to regional communities, including more than \$2.3 billion for community sport infrastructure across Victoria.

Quote attributable to Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence

"Shepparton is a well-known cycling destination and the new lighting means the velodrome is even better for local cyclists, as well as setting the facility up to host state-wide competitions that bring people to the town."

Quote attributable to Member for Northern Victoria Jaclyn Symes

"The upgrades are providing significant support for local riders and emerging talent and ensure we continue attracting major events right here in Shepparton."

Quote attributable to Cr Shane Sali Mayor of Greater Shepparton City Council

"The new lights are a huge improvement and ensure we are well placed to support local club training and competition activities, as well as major events which draw thousands of people to our region."

Quote attributable to Shepparton Cycling Club President Brett Lancaster OAM

"These new lights ensure safer conditions for our riders and club members and mean we don't need to hire additional lighting for carnivals. We're very happy with this support from Council and the Victorian Government."

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