



MEDIA RELEASE

The Hon David Borger MP

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\$51 MILLION SPORTS HOSPITAL GETS GREEN LIGHT

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The Minister for Western Sydney, David Borger, has announced the NSW Government has given the go-ahead for a \$51 million sports medicine and injury orthopaedic hospital to be built at Sydney Olympic Park.

Mr Borger said that construction of the 94 bed hospital would generate about 100 jobs, and when finished will permanently house some 200 operational staff.

“A hospital specialising in orthopaedic medicine and the treatment of sports injuries is a perfect fit for Sydney Olympic Park, which of course began its life as, and continues to be, Australia’s premier sporting precinct,” Mr Borger said.

“The development will further boost the ongoing viability and vibrancy of Sydney Olympic Park, as well as creating a significant employment base in Western Sydney,” he said.

“This new sports hospital is part of the NSW Government’s plan to support long-term job growth in Sydney’s West.

“The project will deliver a high-quality medical facility which also brings a mix of retail and cafe spaces to the site.

“This all contributes to the Government’s aim of developing a vibrant community at Sydney Olympic Park, a place where people are increasingly coming to live, work and play.

“Development will include a colonnade, landscaping and parking, and will be fully integrated with existing Sydney Olympic Park facilities,” said Mr Borger.

The hospital will be built on the corner of Sarah Durack Avenue and Olympic Boulevard, Sydney Olympic Park, and is to be operated by Owen Ferguson Health.

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BACKGROUND

The project comprises:

- A 94-bed orthopaedic hospital with surgical and rehabilitation wards and a range of other health services;
- ground floor with reception, gymnasium, and retail tenancies;
- first and second floors consisting of consulting suites and administration;
- third, fourth and fifth floor consisting of patient rooms, operating theatres;
- roof top plant rooms; and
- a basement level with kitchen, waste services, plant and 54 parking spaces.

The Minister has imposed a number of conditions on the development, including:

- A Car Parking and Traffic Management Plan, which would address a number of management issues, including the availability of car spaces during special events;
- a limit on construction hours; and
- an up-front payment of \$87,944 by the Proponent under the terms of the Sydney Olympic Park Development Contributions Strategy, which requires a contribution towards community facilities, movement systems and the urban domain.