



## David Littleproud MP

Federal Member for Maranoa

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# Media Statement

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### **Paroo Shire Sports Facilities and Roads Receive \$1 Million of Federal Funding**

Maranoa MP David Littleproud has secured \$1 million worth of funding for projects in the Paroo Shire through the Drought Communities Programme - Federal Government funding specifically designated to support communities in the most drought-affected regions of Australia.

“The Cunnamulla region is facing ongoing drought and this Federal Government funding is designed to provide communities with cash for shovel-ready projects to help stimulate the local economy,” Mr Littleproud said.

Under the funding, the Jobs Gate, Bundaleer and Munda Munda unsealed roads will be returned to a usable standard with works to be carried out by local contractors.

“One of the great things about the Drought Communities Programme is that funds are driven down into local groups who have a say in which local is contracted to make the upgrades,” he said.

Within Cunnamulla, the John Kerr Park upgrade involves construction of new change room and public toilet facilities, a rejuvenated turf field with irrigation and perimeter fencing.

“You can ask any rural community in Maranoa and they will tell you how important top-notch sports facilities are because sport brings locals together,” he said.

“Social connection is important in any town, especially during drought.”

A total 667 metres of new concrete pathways and kerbing will also be laid-out around the town.

“It is the Year of the Outback and I want visitors to feel welcomed and impressed by the spirit of Cunnamulla and support local businesses,” he said.

### **Projects include:**

Cunnamulla Pathways: \$100,000

John Kerr Park Upgrade: \$250,000

Cunnamulla Roads Upgrade Project: \$650,000

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