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Community Infrastructure Funding to Transform Communities

Councillor John Medcalf, Chair of Centroc and Mayor of Lachlan, congratulates fellow Central NSW Joint Organisation members, Parkes, Cowra, Blayney and Orange Councils on securing funding through Round Two of the Australian Government's Building Better Regions Fund.

Parkes, Cowra and Orange were successful in securing a total of \$5,164, 611M in funding for projects to revitalise their main streets, while Blayney have secured \$1.9M in funding to upgrade the Blayney Centrepoint Sports and Leisure Facility.

"Upgrading footpaths, lighting, street furniture, green areas and community infrastructure provide a great boost to communities and their economies making them inviting places to live, visit and do business," Cr Medcalf said.

"With many of our towns starting to feel the effects of drought, main street projects strengthen communities by building on already existing historical, natural and cultural assets to create a real sense of place."

"Funding for better community facilities including Blayney's Centrepoint Sports and Leisure Centre and a new multipurpose building in Parkes is good news with both set to deliver greater community amenity and social benefits."

"We thank the Australian Government for this funding aimed at building stronger regional communities and encourage Central NSW JO members and not-for-profit community groups to look out for further funding rounds," Cr Medcalf said.

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