



The Hon Ray Williams MP

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\$4.6 MILLION UP FOR GRABS FOR LOCAL SPORTS GRANT

Local sports in Castle Hill are being encouraged to apply for the latest round of funding under the NSW Government's Local Sport Grant Program.

Member for Castle Hill Ray Williams MP said \$4.6 million was now available across the state for upgrading or creating new sports facilities, new sport programs, community events and projects that improve sports participation.

"Sport is a vital part of our community and I encourage all clubs and councils in Castle Hill to apply," Mr Williams said.

"Thousands of local clubs can apply for up to \$25,000 to fund individual initiatives, with up to \$50,000 set aside for every state electorate."

Mr Williams said "Last year, eight local clubs shared in the electorate allocation for anything from uniforms and equipment, to pitching machines, and even a fantastic female participation campaign".

Sports Minister Stuart Ayres said the Local Sport Grant Program is now in its fourth year.

"It is a key priority of the NSW Government that everyone has the opportunity to take part in local sport or has access to open space," Mr Ayres said.

"Already this year, the Local Sport Grant Program has allocated funding for sports clubs in 93 electorates across the state and we anticipate this next round of funding will help hundreds more community groups and councils.

"This announcement is in addition to the NSW Government's \$290 million Open Spaces and Green Sydney package, along with the Active Kids program announced earlier this year. It also comes on top of \$200 million that has been committed to improving sporting facilities in regional NSW."

The Local Sports Grant Program is now open and applications will be accepted until 24 August 2018.

For more information visit sport.nsw.gov.au/clubs/grants/localsport or phone 13 13 02.

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