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ASIAN CUP LEGACY FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR CASTLE HILL FOOTBALL CLUBS

Football clubs in Castle Hill are encouraged to apply for the second round of Asian Cup Legacy funding which is now open.

Minister for Sport Stuart Ayres said the \$4.1 million fund will help deliver better community facilities to grassroots football clubs across NSW.

"I encourage local football clubs to apply for up to 50 per cent of the cost of building amenities or upgrading facilities, with a funding contribution of \$50,000 - \$150,000 per project," Mr Ayres said.

"We know that improving local sports infrastructure helps build stronger communities and improves participation amongst children and adults alike."

The \$4.1 NSW Asian Cup Legacy Fund is a joint initiative of the NSW Government, Football NSW and Northern NSW Football. Sixteen clubs successfully applied for \$1.8 million in grants during the first round of 2016/17 applications.

More than 1,000 affiliated football clubs are now eligible for more than \$2.3 million in funding for round two 2017/18 applications.

Member for Castle Hill Ray Williams said that football clubs in Castle Hill should consider improvements to facilities that benefit the whole of community.

"Football is an important thread in uniting our community together and the funding provides an excellent opportunity for local clubs to draw in new members, Mr Williams said.

"I encourage all local clubs in Castle Hill to apply for funding for a wide range of projects, including upgrades or developments to existing pitches, amenities and facilities, including seating, canteens, lighting, fencing, change rooms, storage spaces, drainage and pitches."

Applications close 2 March 2018. For information visit: https://sport.nsw.gov.au/clubs/grants

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