



Speech By Hon. Yvette D'Ath

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Hon. YM D'ATH (Redcliffe—ALP) (Attorney-General and Minister for Justice) (6.08 pm): There is so much to talk about in the Redcliffe electorate. I will cover as much as I can in the time I have. First I give a big shout-out to the Village Motors Redcliffe Dolphins, which secured the 2018 Intrust Super Cup minor premiership with a very commanding—I would say smashing—45-16 victory over the Sunshine Coast Falcons on Saturday, 25 August. The Dolphins will be playing the Burleigh Bears at the major semifinals this Saturday at Dolphin Stadium. We wish them all the best. I know that all members representing the Moreton Bay region support our Redcliffe Dolphins.

I am very pleased to say that work has begun on the relocation of parking for people with a disability at the Kippa-Ring train station. A total of eight disabled parking bays are being made available just in front of the Kippa-Ring train station. This will significantly increase accessibility. This was a major failing in design when the station was shifted closer to Anzac Avenue. Car parking was left back, further away from the station. This meant that those with a disability were walking quite a long distance. I am pleased that this work has started.

The government has also announced two new sites for the installation of flashing lights at school zones. These are Mabel Street at Humpybong State School and Korsch Street at Kippa-Ring State School. This work contributes to our efforts to install flashing lights around all school zones, keeping our kids safe.

I am also pleased to say that the \$260,000 upgrade to Scarborough's Thurecht Parade boat ramp is underway. Following the upgrade, Scarborough boat harbour will feature two four-lane public boat ramp facilities with floating walkways. Works to the facility include an additional lane to widen the existing ramp to four lanes, providing a total of eight boat ramp lanes at the harbour. Works will also include extending the length of the ramp by another two metres. On-site works began this month. They are due to be completed later this month, weather permitting.

Lastly, it is great to see work starting with \$3.8 million being invested to redesign and equip the Redcliffe Hospital's special-care nursery, birth suite and paediatric ward. This is in addition to the day procedure unit and pathology department, which will be refurbished with \$4.2 million, and electrical reticulation works and the replacement of lift controls, at a cost of \$8 million.

The Palaszczuk government continues to invest for the people of Redcliffe, whether it be in schools, hospitals, recreational facilities, supporting people with disabilities or increasing opportunities for public transport. I end where I started: I wish the Village Motors Redcliffe Dolphins all the best in the semifinals this Saturday. Let's hope they go all the way.