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**PRIVATE MEMBER'S STATEMENT**

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 **Mr JANETZKI** (Toowoomba South—LNP) (2.54 pm): The western and south-western suburbs of Toowoomba are growing at a substantial rate. There will be another 30,000 people living in those suburbs by 2050. That means that we need our community infrastructure to keep pace. That is why it was a great pleasure to recently take the shadow minister for sport and member for Surfers Paradise to meet the wonderful community groups that are involved with the Glenholme Park sports and community hub. This is a 21st century innovative idea that will bring together many community groups from RSL sub-branches all the way through to a range of sporting clubs: Toowoomba squash, Toowoomba basketball, Brothers netball, Brothers junior Rugby League and Brothers senior Rugby League. This will be a sports and community hub. This facility will have a licensed upgrade; it will be a sports and medical centre. It will bring together a whole range of community and business interests alike into one spot over 20 acres.

This is exactly the kind of infrastructure that the western suburbs of Toowoomba need. I say to chairman Gary, to the board members such as Steve and Joe and the community groups that the shadow minister and I met on the day that we will continue lobbying. We have already arranged meetings with the government—with the minister. We will keep fighting hard for this project because this is the kind of project that will help build community right through the western suburbs of Toowoomba.

Speaking of the western suburbs of Toowoomba, I want to acknowledge the contribution of the community and the P&C at Glenvale State School where it was announced that \$1 million would be put towards the construction of 39 car spaces and a drop-off zone. A total of 2,000 vehicles travel along Glenvale Road every single day and there is only one spot for children to cross safely to get to and from the school. It is imperative that this project gets underway not only to reduce congestion along Glenvale Road but also to ensure people are safe. I want to acknowledge community leader Mel and the principal there, and it is appropriate that it is World Teachers' Day tomorrow. The principal at Glenvale State School is Dave Saxton and I could not imagine a finer educator of young minds. This is pleasing to the broader community at Glenvale. Now we just have to see the sod turned. This needs to be built as soon as possible.

There is one other key part of south-west Toowoomba infrastructure that is missing and it would sit in the electorate of the member for Condamine. It is vital to my schools of Centenary Heights and Harristown that are overcrowded right now, and that is a south-west Toowoomba high school. Together with the member for Condamine we will continue to lobby this government to think about those growing suburbs, buy some land and protect our community for the future.