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Brighton Council welcomes community funding promises

Brighton Council has welcomed the latest State Liberal and Labor election commitments for community projects in the municipality.

The Liberals have promised a grant of \$25,000 for Pete's Shed and \$200,000 to upgrade the dog pavilion and arena at Pontville Park. Labor has committed \$75,000 for improvements to St George's Ethiopian Orthodox Church in Gagebrook.

Brighton Mayor Tony Foster welcomed the funding commitments for what were regarded as important community projects.

Cr Foster said all would play a vital role in supporting the local community.

"Pete's Shed plays a vital role in our community for people to get together to network, to talk about their issues and help them with mental well-being, and to work on projects together to build a range of magnificent items for charities and to sell to community members. But of late, has been struggling to meet its running costs. Brighton Council will consider matching the funding in its imminent budget process and this should ensure its continuation in the medium term," he said.

"Council will work with Jordan River Services in an effort to establish a more sustainable, long-term operating model for the Shed."

The funding for the Pontville Park dog facilities will enable pavilion works, a new awning with lighting of the dog arena and secure fencing, seating and irrigation works. The facility is a venue for multiple kennel clubs and is in use most days and evenings.

The Labor commitment for St George's Ethiopian Orthodox Church will enable renovations of the Church and the Cemetery grounds to make them more secure and more accessible. It will include new toilets, child safe fencing and kitchen improvements.

Cr Foster said Brighton Council will be following up with the political leaders on their promises as soon as the election outcome is known.

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