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State Basketball Centre Redevelopment



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The Victorian Government, in partnership with Knox City Council, is delivering an expanded State Basketball Centre to make it Australia's premier basketball facility. Its design also meets the needs of the growing local community.

The \$132 million redevelopment will be a game-changer for basketball in Australia. It will establish the State Basketball Centre in Knox as the home of basketball in Victoria, from grass roots to elite competitors.

The redevelopment will support athlete development and pathways and provide high performance facilities for elite basketballers.

The centre is the base for basketball in the south-east, and the government has been working with Basketball Australia, Basketball Victoria, Knox Basketball Inc as well as the Deakin Melbourne Boomers and South East Melbourne Phoenix who will use the expanded centre as a training base.

The new venue will include a modern gymnastics centre, replacing the existing facility at Ferntree Gully.

Expanding the existing facilities will support the growing demand and increased participation in sport in the local Knox area.

Once completed, the centre is set to be the long-term home for Knox Basketball Inc and its 11,000-strong members.

It is forecast the centre will host up to two million visitors a year, incorporating elite level basketball, major events, local competitions and community programming.

What we are delivering

The State Basketball Centre Redevelopment will deliver:

- 12 new indoor courts
- New high-performance training and administration facilities for basketball, including WNBL and NBL teams
- new administration facilities to support sports organisations and clubs
- a regional gymnastics facility
- a new café
- a town square
- car parking upgrades and landscaping.



When does construction commence?

Construction on the redevelopment started in September 2021.

When will the redevelopment be completed?

It is anticipated that the redevelopment will be completed in late 2023.

Will the stadium close down during the redevelopment?

All the current courts will remain available for games during the redevelopment. The project will communicate any changes or impacts to accessing the venue ahead of time.

What happens to the Victorian Association of Radio Model Soaring (VARMS)?

Working in consultation, Knox City Council is progressing the design and construction of an alternate location for VARMS at Rowville Recreation Reserve.

What are the impacts of the project?

The project's early investigations have discovered areas of biological significance incorporating significant remnant vegetation to the south and to the north of the site within the 25-hectare Knox Regional Sports Park. Current project planning is examining the relationship between the project and the surrounding ecology to ensure that the significant vegetation is protected and actually enhanced.

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