



Ministerial Media Statements



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State Budget 2010-11: Government continues metropolitan asset investment

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Major metropolitan asset investment projects will be progressed with State Government investment of more than \$75.7million in 2010-11 in its Perth metropolitan redevelopment authorities.

As part of the Government's commitment to the regeneration of Perth City, in 2010-11, the East Perth Redevelopment Authority (EPRA) will spend \$28million on redeveloping Perth City Link, Riverside, Perth Cultural Centre, New Northbridge and East Perth project areas.

"We will continue to work towards delivering new commercial and residential space for Perth's growing population; developing attractive and vibrant public spaces people want to visit and attracting investment for sustained economic growth," Planning Minister John Day said.

"In 2010-11, EPRA will spend \$10million on land development and detailed design work to continue the Perth City Link."

The total estimated cost of the Perth City Link project is \$656million, with \$47million allocated to EPRA for expenditure on redevelopment works and linkages.

Mr Day said EPRA would spend \$14.3million on redevelopment works in the Riverside project area in 2010-11.

"The Riverside project is regenerating the eastern gateway to the city of Perth, and will bring the city to the river and deliver a range of new residential, commercial and entertainment opportunities," he said.

EPRA would also spend \$3.5million to continue the activation and revitalisation of the Perth Cultural Centre and to complete minor works in Northbridge.

The Armadale Redevelopment Authority will spend \$23.2million

in 2010-11, which will be distributed among a range of initiatives including:

- \$6.2million for the Forrestdale Business Park for the continued provision of core infrastructure to facilitate private investment
- \$4.8million for Champion Drive, a residential redevelopment precinct
- \$3.7million for the Wungong Urban Water project for the continuation of drainage, river restoration and civil works
- \$2.7million for the City West project for the development of land to provide inner city housing and service and retail activities within close proximity of the rail line and city centre
- \$2.4million for improvements to civil amenities in Kelmscott
- \$2.2million for the Champion Lakes project
- \$600,000 for Forrestdale Business Park West
- \$600,000 for the implementation of the Armadale Redevelopment Scheme.

The Minister said the Subiaco Redevelopment Authority was allocated \$14million to continue the redevelopment of the former Australian Fine China site and to finalise works on the Centro North redevelopment site.

The Midland Redevelopment Authority is expected to spend \$10.3million in 2010-11.

“This is for the authority to continue its development of The Workshops subdivision at the heart of the former Midland Railways Workshop site, to enhance the mix of cultural and built heritage presence within the authority’s redevelopment area,” Mir Day said.

In addition to major funding for the metropolitan redevelopment authorities, the Government has committed \$5.5million for investment in the Stirling City Centre.

“This is to identify the most cost effective way to facilitate investment in the Stirling Centre through a consortium of private sector and local government investment,” the Minister said.

“This project seeks to transform the City of Stirling into Perth’s second Central Business District, and vital to the project is an urban regeneration initiative that will deliver an integrated city centre around the Stirling train station and the Innaloo retail precinct.”

A total of \$68.9million is budgeted on the WAPC’s asset investment program, which includes the acquisition of land under the Metropolitan Region Scheme, the Peel Region Scheme and the Greater Bunbury Region Scheme, continuation of the Bush Forever Program and the development of public facilities on reserved land.

The Department of Planning and WAPC have allocated funding in 2010-11 for a number of key initiatives including:

- \$7.5million for the Northern Towns Development Fund for the development of local plans in conjunction with industry, local business, local government and the community
- \$1.5million for the Maddington Kenwick Sustainability project
- \$814,000 for the Oakajee Infrastructure Service Corridor
- \$500,000 for the Mandurah Central Revitalisation Strategy
- \$300,000 per annum to establish an Office of Land and Housing Supply, which will provide the government timely information on land and housing supply, and provide clarification of key impediments.

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