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Launceston City Council welcomes funding for the Northern Stand

Launceston City Council today welcomed \$2 million in State Government funding to improve Invermay Park and Aurora Stadium.

The \$7 million project will see a major facelift of the area including relocating the roof of the heritage listed Northern Stand to Invermay Park and constructing change rooms and toilets.

It also includes building a new 2,125 seat grandstand, amenities and change facilities at Aurora Stadium.

Launceston City Council Acting Mayor Rosemary Armitage said, "The Federal Government has allocated \$4 million and Council will contribute \$500,000 to this important project. We are also seeking support from the AFL."

A review of the facility requirements at Invermay Park and Aurora Stadium was carried out last year following a fire in the heritage listed Northern Stand which contained change rooms for several community clubs and was also used extensively during major events at Aurora Stadium.

Chairman of the York Park and Inveresk Precinct Authority (YPIPA) Robin McKendrick said, "This project will provide new facilities for many community clubs and will drastically increase the number of seats at Aurora Stadium."

"The increased seating capacity available for major events, such as AFL games, will increase visitor numbers to the region and provide a major economic flow-on effect for local businesses," Acting Mayor Armitage added.

The additional seating and improved facilities will further boost Aurora Stadium's standing as Tasmania's premier sporting and entertainment venue.

