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LENLEASE TO BUILD NEW SYDNEY FOOTBALL STADIUM

A world-class Sydney Football Stadium is today one step closer with Lendlease announced as the construction contractor.

Minister for Sport Stuart Ayres said reaching this major milestone has paved the way for the redevelopment of the Stadium to commence in January 2019.

“NSW deserves the best stadiums and the new Sydney Football Stadium will make us number one again,” Mr Ayres said.

“NSW needs it, we’re delivering it. It’s time to get it done.

“This stadium will set a new standard for fan experience in Australia. It will kick Melbourne to the kerb and punt Brisbane to reserve grade.”

Mr Ayres said Labor don’t have any positive policies, just plans to cancel major infrastructure projects.

“There will be no F6 Extension, no Western Harbour Tunnel and Beaches Link, no Sydenham to Bankstown Metro rail upgrade and a hole where the Sydney Football Stadium used to be.

“Labor have made it clear they would rather have a hole in the ground than a world class stadium that attracts events and provides a huge boost for jobs and tourism.

“We want the world’s best and biggest events right here in NSW. Labor want to give away the NRL Grand Final for the first time in the State’s history.”

Treasurer Dominic Perrottet said the NSW Budget was in a strong financial position allowing the Government to invest billions in projects right across the State.

“We are building the next generation of infrastructure for NSW, with more than \$87 billion being invested over the next four years,” Mr Perrottet said.

“NSW deserves world class sporting stadiums as part of that commitment. All Labor can offer are Michael “Grinch” Daley’s list of cancelled projects.”

Sydney Cricket Ground Trust CEO Kerrie Mather said the new Sydney Football Stadium will be a nationally and globally competitive venue, ensuring that Sydney remains a preferred destination for major local and international events.

“We look forward to continuing to work closely with Infrastructure NSW and Lendlease to ensure the redevelopment runs smoothly, on schedule and with as little disruption as possible to the sports, communities and businesses that share the SCG precinct,” Ms Mather said.

“The new stadium is a public asset on public land, like its predecessor, and it will be built for the people of NSW.

“The key difference will be modern facilities that will make it safe, secure and far more welcoming for fans, customers and the community in the future.”

The project will create more than 600 construction jobs and support around 300 jobs once operational.

The stadium is expected to be complete in early 2022.

Artist impressions of the new Sydney Football Stadium can be viewed here: https://www.dropbox.com/sh/9eisosf0hqspj7/AAAtNR_BohoT2WQt35F-pqtTa?dl=0

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