



Media Release

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PLANS FOR CHURCHILL PLAYGROUND UPGRADE APPROVED

A community-led campaign to improve the playground and picnic area at Churchill's Mathison Park has received Federal Government funding.

Federal Member for Gippsland Darren Chester said the Mathison Park Advisory Committee was successful in its application to receive \$10,000 under Round 2 of the Stronger Communities Programme (SCP).

Mr Chester said the Mathison Park Advisory Committee would use the funding to provide better facilities for the general public.

"Mathison Park is a popular destination for local families, particularly those with young children who use the playground equipment," Mr Chester said.

"By removing dangerous vegetation and providing shade sails, with additional picnic areas and play equipment, the park will continue to remain a popular community asset into the future.

"I congratulate Mathison Park Advisory Committee's volunteers for working so hard to improve the park over many years and I was pleased to be able to assist them in their application for federal funding."

Committee spokeswoman Ruth Place said local residents had worked together to provide better facilities.

"The small hard-working committee of volunteers is thrilled that we have this funding and would like to extend our grateful thanks to Darren Chester and the Federal Government for the provision of the funds," Mrs Place said.

"This will make the park a more special playground for families to enjoy and be happy their children can play in a sun smart facility."

CAPTION: (Back, from left) Kayla, Darren Chester MP, Max Zygarlicki, Andy Webb, Ruth Place, Mitchell, and (front) Jayden, Tahli and Hudson at Mathison Park Churchill.