



# Robyn Preston MP

## Member for Hawkesbury

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### **MORE NEW AND IMPROVED PLAY SPACES ON THE WAY**

Funding applications are now open to build new and improved inclusive play spaces, with \$5 million available for communities across NSW.

Member for Hawkesbury, Robyn Preston MP, said the NSW Government had expanded the successful \$15 million Everyone Can Play program to ensure more people can enjoy improved public parks.

“We’re committed to creating play spaces everyone can enjoy,” Ms Preston said.

“So I encourage Hawkesbury City Council to apply for projects to build or improve play spaces in our local area so they are accessible for people of all ages and abilities.”

Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, Rob Stokes, said this is the fourth and final round of grants under the Everyone Can Play program.

“This \$15 million program has already delivered 108 new or improved accessible play spaces throughout NSW since 2018,” Mr Stokes said.

“It is a very popular program that councils have embraced wholeheartedly. It is an important way that we are working towards achieving the Premier’s Priority to increase access to quality public space across the state.”

Hawkesbury City Council Mayor, Patrick Conolly, welcomed the increased funding.

‘There is a big demand in our community for inclusive play spaces and I look forward to working with Robyn Preston to identify which of our sites might benefit from the increased funding,’ Clr Conolly said.

Applications close on 25 June 2021.

Apply at: [www.openspace.smartygrants.com.au/EveryoneCanPlay\\_2020\\_2021](http://www.openspace.smartygrants.com.au/EveryoneCanPlay_2020_2021)

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