REDEVELOPMENT PROPOSED FOR LIGHTNING RIDGE TOURIST PARK

Minister for Lands, Tony Kelly, today announced plans for the redevelopment and expansion of Lightning Ridge Tourist Park.

“Walgett Shire Council has given consent for the project following the adoption of a Business Redevelopment Strategy for the park by the Land and Property Management Authority (LPMA),” the Minister said.

“It includes the installation of new services, cabins, shower blocks, ensuite facilities for caravans, a manager’s residence and landscaping.

“The first two stages of the redevelopment will be implemented over the next three years and will include 53 powered caravan sites and 16 camping sites.

“These initial stages are expected to cost approximately $900,000 and will be funded by the Lightning Ridge Caravan and Camping Reserve Trust through existing finances and borrowing.

“Work will start on the site early next year and will initially involve the installation of new internal roads, sewer lines, water and power supplies.

Country Labor MLC for Barwon, Christine Robertson, welcomed the announcement.

“The tourist park is ideally located in the centre of Lightning Ridge and is within easy walking distance of shops, cafes, the aquatic centre, bowling club and local hospital,” Ms Robertson said.

“It’s one of around 260 caravan parks which occupy Crown land and are owned by the LPMA in NSW.”