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Carina club scores a goal with funding

A State Government funding boost will allow Eastern Suburbs Hockey Club Inc to go ahead with plans to give their grounds a make-over.

State Member for Chatsworth Steve Kilburn MP and Sport Minister Phil Reeves today handed over a cheque worth \$680,000 to the Carina club.

The funding is provided under the Major Facilities Program, which supports the construction, extension or improvement of significant sport and recreation facilities.

Mr Kilburn said the funding would be spent converting the existing cricket oval into a water-based synthetic hockey field.

“The grant will allow the club to maximise existing available sport and recreation space and will also be spent on lighting and fencing for hockey and touch football,” he said.

“When complete, the new hockey field and upgrades will provide the local sporting community with a wonderful asset.

“The Queensland Government has a proud record of allocating more funding to sport and recreation than any other State or Territory Government.

“The Queensland Government is committed to improving the lives of Queenslanders by encouraging an active and healthy lifestyle.

Minister Reeves said one of the best ways to lead an active lifestyle is through participation in sport and recreation.

“Our *Toward Q2: Tomorrow’s Queensland* initiative is focused on making Queenslanders Australia’s healthiest people, and this funding will provide residents access to sporting facilities that will help them achieve their goals,” he said.

For more information about sport and recreation funding, call 1300 656 191 or visit www.sportrec.qld.gov.au.