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## **JANUARY 2023** Jihad Dib REPORTS A NEWSLETTER FROM JIHAD DIB MP • Your Local Member

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## **Proudly supporting our local community.**

### This past year has been one for the books!

January 2023 is the month for reflection and fresh starts. Whether you run a business, raise a family, care for our community, volunteer or study, it is a time to reboot and for us to look at how we can continue to thrive

If 2022 taught us anything then it is how resilient and kind, we are as a community. I have seen this throughout the year in my interactions with businesses, schools, community groups, sports and arts organisations, and religious groups. I am mindful that there are many families and businesses who continue to face tough times, and I am proud that my office continues to offer support and guidance to those who seek our assistance.

It is heart-warming to see the unwavering level of generosity, kindness, and commitment to the well-being of everyone in the way we continue to support those in need. As a community, we are thriving because of our incredible hard work and dedication. Thank you for being a part of this caring and supportive community. After the challenging two years we've had, this year it was wonderful to attend many community events and school presentations. I want to thank our teachers and school staff for their commitment and drive to educate our young people. I have also had the opportunity to visit local



businesses and learn about their innovation to thank each one of you for your and future plans.

I am pleased to announce that since becoming your local Member of Parliament, we have successfully distributed \$2.6M in grants through Community Building Partnerships to our community, sports, school, and religious groups to enhance their facilities. This is a true reflection of our growth and development as a community. Finally, I would like to take this opportunity

tremendous efforts in supporting me. With your support, I look forward to continuing to make a difference in 2023. I wish everyone a rewarding and prosperous 2023!

Jihad Dib MP Your Local Member

PS. The NSW State Election will be held on Saturday 25 March 2023. I have enclosed two Postal Vote Applications if you are unable to make it to a polling booth on Election Day.

## **Parliamentary Update**

As a Member of Parliament, I have highlighted the cost-of-living crisis being experienced in the community. As Shadow Minister for Energy and Climate Change, I have called for greater relief from high electricity and gas bills. When Parliament was recalled in December, I worked with the government on a bipartisan package to cap coal prices.

On climate change, my priority remains policies that lower emissions, lower electricity prices, and create jobs. There is an enormous opportunity in domestic manufacturing to build renewable energy that is reliable and good for the environment. As Shadow Minister for Emergency Services, my focus has been on flood-affected communities, ensuring that our frontline responders are adequately resourced. NSW Labor's call for a Reconstruction Commission to streamline planning and funding was eventually legislated by the government in November.

Finally, as a representative of the community, my focus has been on ensuring the government delivers for the community. I instigated a campaign to fix local roads and was thrilled to see lifts finally delivered to Wiley Park and Punchbowl train stations. My focus remains on ensuring our area gets its fair share.



## **COMMUNITY BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS 2022**

### I am pleased to report that since I've been elected as the Member for Lakemba, we've distributed \$2.6M to local community groups to deliver projects with social, environmental and recreational outcomes for the local community.

Local sports clubs, charities, and schools are just some of the groups that have benefitted from this program. These grants provide extra funding for infrastructure, such as playgrounds, accessible features, equipment, or refurbishment. These grants mean that you can support your community group to improve the places you meet, train, or play.

Every year we send out grant information to all community groups and if you would like to be added to our mailing list or know of a community group that may benefit, please contact our office via Lakemba@parliament.nsw.gov.au.

For more information about the NSW Government's 2023 Community Building Partnership Program, visit: www.nsw.gov.au/cbp.

## Lakemba - Community Building Partnership program 2022 Successful Projects

Organisation	Project Title	Amount funded
Canterbury City Community Centre	Community Centre refurbishment	\$5,583
Sydney Community Connect Inc	Sydney Community Connect Transport vehicle	\$45,000
Melkite Catholic Welfare Association	Roof refurbishment	\$40,000
El Mina Association Inc	Renovating our centre	\$26,170
Harmony Care Australia Incorporated	Harmony Care bus	\$49,000
Al Minia Charitable Association	Tiling the outside sitting area of the association	\$45,000
Samoan Presbyterian Church Lakemba	Upgrade to Church and Hall	\$28,500
Tripoli and Mena Association Ltd	Improvements to existing community and aged facilities enabling greater access	\$44,000
Australian National Imams Council	Setting up a Muslim Crisis Call Centre	\$40,000
Horizon Theatre Company Ltd	Lighting the Way	\$19,232
St Nicholas Antiochian Orthodox Church - Punchbowl	Sound and audio-visual (AV) systems upgrade	\$38,515
Southside Montessori Society	Connected Communities	\$19,000
	TOTAL	\$400,000

## BANKSTOW **Council Corner**

## WORKS

Quigg St Car Park, Renewal, Lakemba - work to start 16 January 2023

Bennett Park Amenities Upgrade, Riverwood - works to start mid-February 2023

Karne Street Reserve Playground Synthetic Surface Repairs are in progress. Riverwood - to be completed in

late January or early February 2023 **Riverwood Wetlands Playground** 

Softfall Upgrade SP8. Riverwood. - to be completed in late January or early February 2023

Haldon Street Lighting upgrade Booragul St, Footpath Construction, To be completed mid-February 2023

Wiley Park Ponds Construction, Wiley Park. - in progress to be completed in late February or early March 2023.

## Footpath to start January to March 2023

Bond Rd Footpath Reconstruction, Roselands

Mydeel St Footpath Construction, Kingsgrove

Etela St Footpath Reconstruction, Belmore Myee St Footpath Reconstruction,

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islands, Punchbowl

Fairmount St Footpath Reconstruction, Lakemba

Napolean St Footpath Reconstruction, Riverwood Myall St and Victoria Rd Raised Median Beverly Hills Karne St Footpath Construction, Narwee

Killara Ave, Footpath Construction, Kingsgrove

Lundy Ave, Footpath Construction, Kingsgrove

Josephine St TMD, Riverwood

### **Roads projects to start January to March** 2023

Leigh Ave Road Resurfacing from Karne St to Cul-de-sac End, Riverwood

Wilson Land Road Resurfacing, Belmore Bonds Rd Road Resurfacing from Skinner Ave to Martin St, Roselands

Fisher Place Lane Resurfacing, Narwee

## **OUT AND ABOUT IN THE COMMUNITY**



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Toy Master Australia and Creating Links





New Greenacre Skate Park with local skateboarder Amar Hadid

**CBC Citizenship Ceremony** 

Lakemba Fire Station 100th Birthday

Meeting with Father Assad Lahoud, the new Father Superior at St Charbel's Monastery

St Euphemia College with Father Peter Mavrommatis



## **Postal vote application NSW State election**

Applications can be completed quickly and easily online at opva.elections.nsw.gov.au or scan the QR code. If you are already a registered general postal voter you do not need to complete this form. Instructions on how to complete this form can be found over the page.

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- I will be travelling
- I am seriously ill, infirm or approaching childbirth (or caring for someone who is)
- I have religious beliefs that prevent me from attending
- I am in prison or a correctional centre
- I will be working
- I am a silent elector. **Note:** You must already be registered with the AEC as a silent elector
- I am a person with a disability
- I believe that attending will pose a risk to my personal safety or the safety of my family

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