

SWANBOURNE–NEDLANDS SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

Statement by Member for Cottesloe

DR D.J. HONEY (Cottesloe) [12.58 pm]: Last month saw the official opening of the Swanbourne–Nedlands Surf Life Saving Club’s building extension project, or as it is known, the “Swanny Building Extension”. These works were a collaboration between the club, the state and federal governments, as well as the City of Nedlands, and I thank everyone involved for their support for this much-needed project. I especially thank former member for Curtin, Celia Hammond, for her support, which was pivotal to this project going ahead. Improvements undertaken include a new change room facility that incorporates a dedicated and purpose-built women’s change room, increased craft storage, improved educational spaces, plus the best gym on the west coast.

I also take this opportunity to make a special mention to both club president, Kate Hutchinson, and immediate past president and project manager, Luke Bishop, for their tireless work in making this a reality. What a fantastic effort from them both. I would also like to give a heartfelt thanks to all the club members who have again excelled during their ninetieth season, but this time with very limited facilities due to the extension works—and when I say limited facilities, this included showers with no hot water. Lastly, I thank the state government for its support for this project. I hope to see similar levels of support for other much-need projects throughout the Cottesloe electorate—in particular, there is a great need improve facilities for female athletes.