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Local business to undertake redevelopment of iconic Broome Surf Life Saving Club

The long-awaited redevelopment of the Broome Surf Life Saving Club (BSLSC) is set to be delivered by local Broome company Colin Wilkinson Developments Pty Ltd, with works to commence in coming weeks.

At a special meeting of Council on December 21, 2021, Shire Councillors pledged to support BSLSC in ensuring the project proceeded.

The Shire has supported the BSLSC with \$371,454 worth of funding and in-kind project management contributions to the value of \$220,884, while also helping the Club secure a self-supporting loan.

Funding has also been secured from Lotterywest, the WA Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries, and the Kimberley Development Commission.

BSLSC is a nationally accredited Surf Life Saving Club training centre, as well as being crucial to Broome's ocean-based education and training.

Shire of Broome president Harold Tracey said this project was a major win for the whole community and the thousands of tourists that visited Broome each year.

"The BSLSC is an important part of the Broome sporting community and members provide volunteer lifeguard services on Cable Beach," he said.

"It's great we have been able to appoint a Broome contractor to undertake this redevelopment, as the Shire continues to support local businesses where we can.

"The BSLSC is a popular hotspot for Broome locals and tourists to sit back and enjoy the beautiful Cable Beach sunset, although in terms of facilities and the popularity of the venue, upgrades are in order to meet this demand.

"I personally cannot wait to see the finished result of the refreshed club and welcome the improvement to our iconic Cable Beach foreshore.

"With the Shire currently in the detailed design phase of our own Cable Beach Foreshore Redevelopment, this is just the beginning of a new and improved Cable Beach precinct.

"Works are due to commence in early February and as such beach access may be disturbed, although alternative measures will be put in place and the public will be kept in the loop."

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