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## **State Government contributes \$3m to Town Beach Jetty project**

The Shire of Broome is delighted to announce that \$3 million has been secured from the State Government to complete major infrastructure works at Town Beach – with a new jetty the final piece of the puzzle.

The Town Beach project is a \$24 million initiative jointly funded by the Shire of Broome and the State Government, with works being undertaken over the last 18 months.

Work completed at Town Beach to date includes the construction of a rock revetment seawall, coastal footpath, groyne and grassed terrace seating.

With parking improved significantly and the development of a new playground, basketball court and scooter track, as well as the enhanced water park, Town Beach has been transformed into a major asset for Broome.

There are also plans for the redevelopment of Roebuck Bay Caravan Park, with the Shire hoping to attract a suitable private investor.

The latest allocation of \$3 million from the State Government follows on from a similar \$1.6 million grant and will be put towards the construction of a 112-metre jetty.

The Shire is currently seeking appropriate contractors to undertake the jetty construction, with the ongoing tender process to conclude in August.

The jetty will provide the opportunity for fishing from land and improve accessibility to Roebuck Bay for those launching boats.

Shire of Broome president Harold Tracey said the new-look Town Beach precinct was already very popular with locals and tourists alike.

“I’d like to recognise and thank Premier Mark McGowan, Regional Development Minister Alannah MacTiernan and the State Government for their role in making this project a reality,” he said.

“Town Beach is an area rich in history and culture, but a large section of the site was previously under or unutilised.

“However, this popular and scenic area of Broome has now been transformed, with thousands of people using the space at the Staircase to the Moon markets earlier this month and families flocking to our facilities on a daily basis.

“The fishing jetty will be another drawcard for Broome and complete this exciting Town Beach project, which the Shire has been working on since 2014.”

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