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Ray of light for Broome sport as local company to undertake BRAC upgrade

The Broome sports community will have another floodlit field space to use from mid-2022, with the Shire of Broome awarding a contract to carry out the works to a local contractor.

The contract to upgrade lighting at BRAC's Nipper Roe Sports Field was awarded to Broome company Able Electrical at a Special Meeting of Council on October 28, 2021.

The \$1.4 million eight-pole field lighting system has been designed to meet the AFL Preferred Facility Guidelines of 150 lux, which provides ideal illumination to the sports field and for spectator viewing pleasure.

The project is being funded by the Shire, the State Government's Community Sport and Recreation Facilities Fund, the AFL's Facility Funding Program and a contribution received from DevelopmentWA.

The completion date for this project is anticipated to be June 1, 2022, prior to the peak of the busy dry season sporting calendar.

Shire of Broome president Harold Tracey said upgrading the Nipper Roe lights was identified as a high priority project in the Shire's Sport & Recreation Plan and is now able to occur following the securing of significant grant and municipal funding.

"The project will enable the continued growth of Broome sport, which has seen large increases in participation in many sports, particularly women's football, over recent years," he said.

"The Shire strives for continuous improvement in the sport and recreation space and embraces the passion Broome has for its love of sport.

"Over the past few years there has been a focus on sport and recreation infrastructure improvements, with the pump track, skate park, Broome Motocross track and Philip Matsumoto Sports Courts projects all progressing.

"We are also currently reviewing our Sport and Recreation Plan and look forward to seeking feedback from the community in the new year on this draft document.

"The Shire always looks to support local businesses where possible and it is great to be able use a Broome contractor to complete this important project."

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