Alice Springs police headquarters moves into the 21st century

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Alice Springs now has a 21st century police station with the completion of a $9 million revamp of the Greatorex Building that better accommodates staff and centralises police operations.

Chief Minister Adam Giles said the Country Liberals Government was giving police the tools and infrastructure they needed to keep Territorians safe.

“I am sure this state of the art facility will be welcomed by the 236 officers working in Alice Springs, and give local residents peace of mind that their safety is paramount,” Mr Giles said.

“Alice Springs Police had outgrown their previous accommodation, with the upgrades involved in this project including new police training, administration and executive areas, and a new fire protection and security system.

“This project has been both an investment in the local economy and an investment in community safety in Alice Springs.

“The Country Liberals Government is committed to improving infrastructure in the regions with these upgrades among millions of dollars’ worth of police station improvements happening right across the Territory.”

Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services Peter Chandler welcomed the upgrades which he said would reassure local residents that the Government takes their safety seriously.

“Alice Springs has seen significant decreases in crime over the past few months,” Mr Chandler said.

“For example, sexual assault is down 29 per cent, assaults are down 18 per cent, house break-ins are down 11 per cent and car theft is also down 11 per cent. Together with the popular Temporary Beat Locations at bottle shops, we are seeing a real difference in crime prevention.

“There is still more to be done but we are seeing positive changes and investing in Police infrastructure will only help see these figures go down and increase community confidence.
“I am proud to be Police Minister in a government that is focused on reducing anti-social behaviour and strives to put community safety first.”

The design was done by Alice Springs based firm Zone A Architects and construction work was undertaken by a local contracting firm, Asbuild, with 98 workers, including 26 Indigenous staff, involved in the project.

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