$750 000 For Headworks At Good Shepherd Middle School

$750 000 has been set aside to provide power, water and access to the soon-to-be-built Good Shepherd Lutheran Middle School at Howard Springs.

Acting Chief Minister Syd Stirling said the Territory Government gave the funding the green light this week.

“This funding will ensure easy access to the new Middle school – which is good news for parents and students in the area,” said Mr Stirling.

“A road will be built to provide access from Whitewood Rd, and there will be deceleration lanes for vehicles entering the school from both directions,” he said.

“The intersection on Whitewood road will be widened to cater for the increased traffic.

“Importantly, a sealed school bus interchange area will also be constructed to improve public transport in the area.”

Mr Stirling said construction of the road would be complete in time for the opening of the school in 2008.

“The Territory Government has provided $1.6 million in support towards the construction of stage one of the Good Shepherd Lutheran Middle School, costing $4.5 million altogether,” he said.

“The new school will cater for Years 6 – 9 with an intake of 200 students expected next year.”

The introduction of the Middle Years and Senior Years, as part of the Northern Territory Government’s $88.7 million Building Better Schools plan, is improving education outcomes in the classroom and opening pathways to tertiary education and vocational education and training.

“We are building schools that will better meet the needs of young Territorians and the broader community, and I look forward to seeing this new school up and running,” said the Acting Chief Minister.

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