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## Ground to be broken at new \$940,000 reserve

Mayor Kris Hanna will launch construction of a new \$940,000 reserve in South Plympton at a groundbreaking ceremony on Monday, 7 March at 11.45am.

The community event will begin the transformation of a 6000sqm block of vacant land between Jervois St and Waterhouse Rd into a park with a modern play area.

The new reserve will include three-on-three basketball and netball facilities, fitness equipment, a course for trikes, a central oval and a games area with a ping pong and chess table.

There will be junior and senior play areas, a shelter, picnic facilities, trees, landscaping, a barbecue and toilets.

Mayor Kris Hanna said the reserve will provide a much-needed place for families to play.

"It will be exciting to see this block of unused land transformed into a new park with a modern play area," Mr Hanna said.

"The Jervois Street Reserve will encourage children to play and enjoy sport in an attractive environment.

"The facilities reflect the needs of local residents who contributed to the design during extensive consultation."

Member for Elder Annabel Digance will join Mayor Hanna in digging the ceremonial first sod.

Marion Council bought the land from Housing SA in 2013 to create more open space in the city's north.

The Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI) is providing \$300,000 of funding, Edwardstown Rotary Club is donating \$50,000 and Council is providing the balance.

Mayor Hanna thanked Council's funding partners for helping build the reserve.

"I would like to thank DPTI and the Edwardstown Rotary Club for helping Council build this new reserve," he said.

Construction is being undertaken by South Australian company Outside Ideas.

Work is expected to be completed in July this year.

Edwardstown Rotary Club will provide a free barbecue at the groundbreaking ceremony.

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