

Speech by Mayor Logan Howlett
Switching on the Lights
Success Netball Courts
Success Regional Sporting and Community Facility
Sunday 19 April 2026

Good evening everyone and welcome to tonight's auspicious occasion.

I'd like to begin by acknowledging the Whadjuk Noongar people, the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we are gathered this evening and pay my respects to Elders past and present.

I acknowledge:

- Mr David Scaife MLA, Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier; Minister for State Development; Trade & Investment; Economic Diversification and the Member for Cockburn;
- My wife Patricia;
- Elected members of the City of Cockburn;
- Mr Anton Lees, Director Infrastructure Services and other staff from the City of Cockburn;
- Ms Beth Harvey, Representing Netball WA;
- Ms Charlene Smith, President Success Netball Association;
- Past Presidents, Committee Members and players of the Success Netball Association;
- Current players and their families here tonight;
- Ladies and gentlemen, girls and boys.

It's a pleasure to be here tonight to celebrate the switching on of the new floodlights and the completion of the resurfaced courts here at the Success Regional Sporting and Community Facility.

This project has been years in the making and is a fantastic example of what can be achieved when different levels of government and the community work together toward a shared goal.

Thanks to funding support from the Western Australian Government through the Club Night Lights Program and PlayOn WA, along with significant investment from the City of Cockburn, we've been able to deliver eight new 25-metre lighting towers and resurface all 20 courts.

Previously, only eight courts were lit to training standard.

Now, all 20 courts can be used for evening training and games, which is a huge boost for the Success Netball Association and the many players and families who use this facility each week.

Since this facility opened in 2010, the Success Netball Association has grown from around 100 members to more than 1,000.

That's incredible growth, and it's clear this facility plays a very important role in the local community.

On Friday night Patricia and I joined the Success Strikers Netball Club for their 20th Anniversary, and I am pleased to see so many of their members here tonight.

The Friends of the Community are also here tonight providing a free sausage sizzle, and I thank them for their ongoing support of our community and beyond. Their fund raising efforts are given back into the community to further enrich it.

I'd also like to acknowledge and thank the Western Australian Government for their support, and in particular David Scaife MLA for his advocacy and commitment to this project.

I'd also like to recognise the Success Netball Association for their persistence and advocacy over many years to help make this project a reality.

It's great to see so many players, families and supporters here tonight to celebrate this milestone, and I'm delighted to be here to officially mark the occasion.

Thank you, and I hope you all enjoy the evening.