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UPGRADE OF CITY WEST CONTINUES

Minister for Planning Andrew Barr today announced \$500,000 for forward planning of stage two of the City West development.

The second stage of public works will include reinstating the Childers and Rudd Street intersection across Marcus Clarke Street, the upgrade of University Avenue, Allsop Street and Hutton Street, and a new park.

“This funding is the latest in the Stanhope Government’s commitment to the development of City West and Childers Street,” Mr Barr said.

“Stage one of the Childers Street project, completed in January 2007, involved the redesign of Childers Street between Hutton Street and University Avenue with a range of new lighting sculptures, street furniture, kerbless pavement that allows for both vehicular and pedestrian use and water-efficient rain gardens that use stormwater runoff.

“This year’s Budget funding is for the detailed design and preparation of sketch plans and design concepts for the remaining key infrastructure that is required to support the rapidly changing land uses in the Childers Street precinct.

“It will include the redesign of the remainder of Childers Street from Marcus Clarke Street to Hutton Street and from University Avenue to the ANU boundary.

“This design stage immediately precedes the construction of the public works, which will need to be the subject of a subsequent budget bid.”

Mr Barr said the work was part of making the City West Master Plan a reality and complemented the developments taking place as part of the ANU’s exciting City West Exchange project.

“The City West Master Plan aims to recreate Childers Street as a prime destination point for the community, business and academic groups that are part of this area of the City,” he said.

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