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MORE ROADS FOR HARRISON'S GROWING POPULATION

Planning Minister Simon Corbell has announced that \$4.2 million will be invested in building a road to access a future co-located primary and high school and neighbourhood oval in the new Gungahlin suburb of Harrison.

"The ACT Government recognises that it is very important to have infrastructure in place before major facilities such as schools are built," Mr Corbell said.

"As a fast-growing area, Gungahlin deserves its fair share of services and infrastructure, and this investment ensures they are not left behind the rest of Canberra.

"The access road will provide entry to the future public and private schools in Harrison and adjacent new playing fields as well as access to future medium-density residential development along Flemington Road.

"The access road will run parallel to Flemington Road, between Nullabor Avenue and Mapleton Avenue. It will have intersections and bus bays as well as a bridge over Gungaderra Creek and landscaping. Mapleton Avenue will also be extended 500m from the bridge at the corner of Katoomba Street to Flemington Road."

Mr Corbell said construction was expected to commence early next year and to be completed by December 2007.

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