



Media Release

Nhill Early Years Centre Official Opening

The official opening of the new Hindmarsh Shire Council's multimillion-dollar Nhill Early Years Centre took place on Tuesday 20 February 2018.

Commencing at 2.00pm the official opening allowed Council to thank the many stakeholders that have been involved in this project from the initial planning, lobbying and fundraising, through to the construction and completion of the new facility.

"Many, many people have been involved in this project since it was first identified several years ago," explained Hindmarsh Shire Council Mayor, Cr Ron Ismay, "and the end result is a magnificent tribute to the efforts and vision of those people".

Significant financial support was obtained from the Federal Government and Victorian Government in addition to Hindmarsh Shire Council's contribution. Funding was also raised via the Nhill Early Years Centre fundraising committee, with significant contributions from the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal and the Freemasons, as well as businesses, community groups and individuals, ensuring that the children of Nhill are given the best possible start to their early education.

"The new Nhill Early Years Centre has consolidated Early Years Services for the people of Nhill and surrounds," continued Cr Ismay. "The centre is home to childcare, 3 and 4 year old kindergarten, playgroups and the Shire's maternal child health services. It means that parents of young children are conveniently able to visit just the one centre to access each or all of these services."

A special, commemorative opening took place at 2.00pm before invited guests and the general public enjoyed an afternoon tea and a tour of the new facility.