

# CAMDEN COUNCIL

## Media Release

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### LOCAL ORGANISATIONS TO BENEFIT FROM ANNUAL SUBSIDY INCREASE

The South West Sydney Academy of Sport and the Leppington Progress Association will receive a boost to their annual subsidies funding to assist with their contributions to the Camden community.

Council's annual subsidies program helps a range of not-for-profit organisations across our Local Government in supporting and enriching our community.

Mayor of Camden, Cr Lara Symkowiak said the contributions of these organisations are valuable to the community and is pleased that Council can further support their work.

"Camden Council has supported the South West Sydney Academy of Sport since its inception 18 years ago. The Academy supports the development of local talented junior athletes and helps them to gain recognition within sport specific programs.

"Last financial year, the Academy offered 89 of their 345 scholarships to Camden athletes. As our population grows, it is anticipated that the number of young athletes will also grow. Through this additional funding, Council is helping to secure opportunities for current and future Camden athletes." Cr Symkowiak said.

Council has allocated an additional \$3,000, increasing the Academy's annual subsidy to \$13,000.

The Leppington Progress Association will also receive an increase to their annual subsidy by \$500 taking their annual subsidy to \$7,100.

"Leppington Progress Hall has been a wonderful community asset for 57 years and is an important community owned and operated facility,

"The increase in funding will help ensure the continued provision of this venue to our community and assist the Association with the costs involved in managing this facility."

"The Annual Subsidy Program is part of Council's suite of programs offering support to local organisations to help them to deliver real benefits to the community." Cr Symkowiak said.

For further information please contact Council's Community Services section on 4654 7777 or visit Council's website [www.camden.nsw.gov.au](http://www.camden.nsw.gov.au)

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