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## **Lotteries contributes to NBS Theatre**

NBS Theatre has received a significant grant from the Lottery Community Facilities Fund in their latest round of funding allocations.

The Lottery Community Facilities Committee has approved an application for \$381,635.00 towards the construction of the NBS Theatre. This money gives a significant boost to fundraising efforts.

With an overall cost of \$2.5 million dollars and Buller District Council contributions of \$700,000, a further \$1.8 million dollars was needed from outside sources to fund the new NBS Theatre. Significant contributions from Development West Coast, Nelson Building Society, Gaming Trusts, Local Business and individuals along side the Lottery Grants Board grant means fundraising for the new theatre complex is nearly complete.

The Theatre project has a completion date of the 28th of February 2010, an opening month of March 2010 and is very much on track.

Mayor Pat McManus said that "it is great to have the Lotteries Community Facilities Fund available. The faith that the Lottery Grants Board has shown in Buller with contributions towards both the NBS Theatre and previously the Solid Energy Centre has enabled us to create some wonderful modern community facilities. Assistance from a national body such as the Lottery Grants Board gives great encouragement and makes the job of fundraising significant amounts of money so much easier and in turn lessens the financial impact on the community."

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