

# Phillip Pool

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## PETITION

### To the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly for the ACT

The following residents of the ACT draw to the attention of the Assembly the closure for this summer of the much loved 50 year old Phillip Swimming Pool, when the growing population requires centrally located public pools that are accessible and seeks government intervention to have it open before the end of this summer.

Recreation facilities provide many benefits to communities by bringing people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds together to socialise, have fun and keep fit. They can inspire and motivate people while fostering community pride. The rink and pool have lost essential workers and income due to the COVID-19 lockdown.

The election commitment to a new ice rink in Tuggeranong has undermined the financial viability of the Phillip Swimming and Ice Skating Centre. In effect, the 50 year old Phillip Pool has been privatised, run down and is likely to close permanently.

Your petitioners, therefore, request the Assembly to call upon the Government to:

- provide a grant to fix the Phillip Pool and assist in ensuring it occurs;
- keep the Phillip Pool open until it, or another outdoor pool, is available and open for the people of Woden for the long term.

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