

GLEN EIRA

Pavilion gets upgrade

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A GLEN Eira sports pavilion famed for being so cramped junior footballers had to change under trees is on the cusp of redevelopment.

Concept plans for the new Centenary Park Pavilion at East Bentleigh's Centenary Park passed through Glen Eira Council last week and will now move to detailed design.

The works are estimated to

CLUBS DELIGHTED WITH NEW PLANS

cost \$2.6 million and could be completed in 20 months.

Centenary Park is home to the Bentleigh Uniting Cricket Club and St Peter's Junior Football Club.

Uniting Cricket Club president John Halliday said he was delighted with news of the works.

"It's been a long time coming

and we've been waiting and hoping," Mr Halliday said.

"It's great to finally get it. Both clubs have had a lot of success operating out of such cramped conditions, so we're excited to see what we can achieve now."

St Peter's Junior Football Club vice-president Steve Ingham described the news as "fantastic".

"What we've had to work with has been fairly archaic so the new facilities will be like a breath of fresh air for the football club," he said.

The number of change rooms will double to four, each with storage, showers and toilets. The plans show a new carpark with 75 spaces.

Council has provided \$200,000 for the design works and the State Government has tipped in \$500,000.