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Amanda Rishworth MP
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Woodcroft Library and Neighbourhood Centre Unveiled!

Federal Member for Kingston Amanda Rishworth MP was pleased to join Parliamentary Secretary for Sustainability and Urban Water Senator the Hon Don Farrell and City of Onkaparinga Mayor Lorraine Rosenberg to officially open the jointly funded Woodcroft Library and Neighbourhood Centre today.

Ms Rishworth said that the new facility, which incorporated best practice 'green' design features, would become an innovative and iconic feature of the Southern Adelaide community.

Ms Rishworth said "This new community hub is not just a sustainable library and meeting space, it is also a demonstration site for local residents to get ideas about how they might make their own homes more energy efficient.

"I would encourage everyone in the community to visit the new facility whether it is to borrow a novel or to pick up some tips about how you might reduce your own water or power bills."

Ms Rishworth said that the new facility uses a solar electricity and hot water system, a rainwater harvesting system and smart building controls that adjust artificial lighting and air-conditioning according to outside conditions to reduce energy use and ensure that the building is efficient and sustainable.

Ms Rishworth said "I look forward to watching as this state-of-the-art facility becomes a celebrated feature of our local community."

Ms Rishworth said that the Federal Government contributed \$750, 000 for the redevelopment under the *Green Precincts* program and acknowledged the work of Onkaparinga Council in constructing and delivering the project.

Further information about the *Green Precincts* initiative is available at www.environment.gov.au/water/policy-programs/green-precincts/index.html.