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1500 REASONS TO CELEBRATE THE NORTHCONNEX TRAINING HUB

The legacy of the \$3 billion NorthConnex project will live on thanks to the Training Hub, which has helped more than 1500 individuals learn new skills in its first year of operation.

Member for Hornsby Matt Kean MP said the Hub was established in anticipation of a national skills shortage in civil construction in the next decade.

“The Hub was opened to give NorthConnex employees the chance to learn new skills and refine their existing knowledge which can then be used on other projects,” Mr Kean said.

“The Hub is a one-stop learning shop for multiple disciplines including IT, finance, construction and management skills.

“The success of the Hub wouldn’t have been possible without drawing on the experience of partners including TAFE NSW as well as MATES in Construction which has allowed the delivery of tailored training for each individual.”

Since the Hub’s establishment in late 2016, about 250 apprentices have been recruited to learn and refine their skills.

“The NorthConnex Training Hub makes it more accessible to get training and qualifications for tunnellers, labourers and tradesmen who are new to the industry,” Mr Kean added.

“Other courses delivered through the Hub include cultural awareness training, first aid, MATES in Construction mental health training, plant operation as well as product quality.”

Mr Kean said projects like NorthConnex are vital to develop highly skilled workers to cement the long-term viability of the construction industry and support the infrastructure boom.

“The Hub represents a \$10 million investment in the future and will leave a lasting legacy for the residents and motorists who use Pennant Hills Road and for greater Sydney.”