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HUNTER FIRM WINS \$2M COURT CONTRACT

A Hunter firm has been awarded a \$2 million contract to reinforce the site where the Newcastle Courthouse will be built, the NSW Attorney General, Greg Smith SC, and the Member for Newcastle, Tim Owen, announced today.

“As the ground beneath the Burwood Wedge was once mined, it is necessary to perform stabilisation work in the area before construction of the courthouse can begin,” Mr Smith said.

Bulk Flyash Grout Pty Ltd will carry out the mine rectification work, known as grouting, between March and June.

The \$94 million Newcastle Courthouse is being developed adjacent to the Newcastle Council Chambers on the corner of Burwood and Hunter Streets.

Mr Owen said he was delighted with the progress of the Newcastle Courthouse project.

“With the Development Application submitted to council and site preparations advancing rapidly, Newcastle is on course to have a world-class courthouse in just over two years,” Mr Owen said.

“The seven-storey building will be approximately 25 per cent larger than the city’s existing courthouse, featuring 10 technologically advanced courtrooms, two tribunal rooms and an array of facilities for the legal profession, victims of crime and other court users.

“The new complex will also be closer to public transport than the old courthouse and is within walking distance of parking stations.”

Mr Smith said the government will continue to consult the legal profession and justice agencies on the internal layout of the building.

“While the DA has been submitted, there is still work to be done to ensure the final design meets the needs of court users,” Mr Smith said.