

Media Release

More affordable homes approved in north-west Sydney

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The NSW Government's commitment to fast-track more affordable homes continues to gather pace following the approval of 63 affordable apartments in north-west Sydney.

The six-storey apartment complex on Burdekin Road, Schofields, is close to public transport and will provide cheaper accommodation for key workers, such as nurses, police officers, daycare workers, and cleaners.

The quality-designed building fits in well with the neighbourhood, gets plenty of sunlight, and has attractive outdoor spaces for residents to enjoy.

The \$38.5 million project was assessed under the NSW's Government's new planning pathway to fast-track affordable homes. It will boost the local economy with 73 construction jobs and six ongoing roles.

The new State Significant Development (SSD) pathway for Social and Affordable Housing is speeding up assessment times for Government Agencies, such as Landcom, Homes NSW, and the Aboriginal Housing Office.

Landcom led the Master Planning for the project, which will be delivered by Community Housing Provider, Link Wentworth, to boost the supply of affordable housing.

The Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) has addressed key issues relating to the site such as traffic and car parking, lack of social infrastructure, and increased density.

Member for Riverstone Warren Kirby said:

"The NSW Government is delivering on its commitment to deliver more homes by streamlining planning to unlock capacity to deliver more affordable housing.

"The project will provide additional affordable housing for low to moderate income households giving more people the chance to live and work within Schofields.

"Schofields has a growing number of key workers, so I'm pleased to see the Government taking a leading role to provide high-quality, accessible and affordable housing."

Landcom CEO Alex Wendler said:

"Schofields will provide more opportunities for people on a range of incomes to access much needed housing, well connected to transport, education and open spaces."

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