



UDIA CONGRATULATES LABOR'S SHADOW CABINET AND MINISTRY

The Urban Development Institute of Australia (UDIA) has congratulated the Leader of the Opposition, The Hon Anthony Albanese MP, on his selection of a strong Shadow Cabinet and Ministry, which includes both experienced and fresh talent.

"It's pleasing to see a strong mix of seasoned performers and rising new-comers appointed by Mr Albanese," UDIA National President Darren Cooper says.

"The Shadow Cabinet and Ministry will no doubt prove to be a worthy Opposition to help keep the Government focused on issues that matter to all Australians, including the cost of living, housing affordability and socially responsible urban development.

"Mr Albanese has demonstrated his interest and commitment to housing affordability and infrastructure during his time in office, so we're particularly pleased to have him as Labor's Leader and look forward to working closely with him on these important national issues," he says.

"We look forward to working closely with his entire Shadow Cabinet and Ministry team, in particular The Hon Catherine King MP, Shadow Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development, The Hon Jason Clare MP, Shadow Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government and Shadow Minister for Housing and Homelessness, Andrew Giles MP, Shadow Minister for Cities and Urban Infrastructure and Terri Butler MP, Shadow Minister for the Environment and Water.

"UDIA is especially pleased that Mr Albanese has recognised the importance of socially cohesive infrastructure development with the specific appointment of a Shadow Minister for Cities and an associated portfolio.

"There's a lot to focus on and many policies to achieve if we are to preserve our enviable lifestyle and protect Australia's future prosperity. That means working hard on infrastructure planning and delivery, housing affordability and the creation of more liveable cities," says Darren Cooper.

UDIA looks forward to offering its industry knowledge and expertise to both the Government and Opposition to achieve these goals. UDIA will continue to advocate on these issues to ensure their urgency and importance are understood by all Members of the Australian Parliament.

In constructive consultation, UDIA will advocate on its six pillar policy platform outlined in its National Policy Priorities 2019 "Building a Better Australia" available at <http://www.udia.com.au/policy-centre>

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