

2007 UDIA National Awards for Excellence Winners

Congratulations to:

The President's Award

Varsity Lakes, QLD by Delfin Lend Lease

Varsity Lakes is a master planned community providing an innovative mix of residential, commercial, retail, recreational and educational facilities in the very heart of the Gold Coast, set in a relaxed village environment on the shores of Lake Orr. A key element has been the delivery of an economically sustainable town centre, Varsity Central - a business and innovation precinct, home to more than 4500 business employees by 2010. To date 3000 jobs have already been created in more than 400 businesses.

Masterplanned Development

Mandurah Ocean Marina, WA by Landcorp

Mandurah Ocean Marina is Western Australia's only integrated Marina, residential, commercial, tourism and recreational development. It boasts this status despite being located outside the Perth metropolitan area. It was specifically designed to provide for a number of recreational and lifestyle choices, long-term sustainability and to integrate with Mandurah's traditional city area and cultural precinct.

Residential Development

Harbour Rise, WA by Estates Development Company

"Harbour Rise" is a 45ha coastal development approximately 19km north of the Perth CBD. Comprising of approximately 500 residential lots, the estate, when complete, will be home for up to 2000 people. Harbour Rise has a strong integration with the adjacent Hillary's Boat harbour, which is the 'town centre' for the residential area, and is in the unique position of being in walking distance to the beach and close to the city. This affords residents a lifestyle opportunity that is truly "Above it All".

Medium Density Housing

Viridian Noosa, QLD by Viridian Noosa Pty Ltd (Joint venture partners Leighton Properties and

Ariadne Australia)

Viridian Noosa is a premier residential and resort development perched elegantly atop of Noosa Hill and barely visible from Noosa's Main Beach. Viridian comprises eight architecturally designed homes (Viridian Homes), 23 prestigious residences (Viridian Residences) and will soon include, Stage three the Viridian Noosa Resort. The \$300 million development sets a benchmark for ecologically sensitive construction through a harmonious blend of built form and native flora and fauna and represents the vision of joint venture partners Leighton Properties and Ariadne Australia.

High Density Housing

Freshwater Place, VIC by Australand Holdings Ltd

The Freshwater Place Residential Tower is 59 Storey tower, with a ten storey podium that rises above the southern bank of the Yarra River. The Australand development is a significant addition to the Melbourne skyline, and its residents enjoy views towards the city and the bay available to few others. The vision that inspired Freshwater Place was creating a community with an urban village that satisfied the residents daily needs, provided exceptional facilities, brought high-quality personal service through the concierge staff and provided an outdoor area where you can still sit on the lawn and have a backyard.

Urban Renewal Project

Mitchell Park Urban Renewal Project, SA by Department for Families and Communities - Housing Asset Services - acting on behalf of the SA Housing Trust Board (Formerly known as the SA Housing Trust)

The Mitchell Park Urban Renewal Project provided the blueprint for South Australia's subsequent urban regeneration program and has transformed a rundown suburb into a vibrant community with a very high level of resident satisfaction. The 20-year, \$95 million project, completed in 2006, was the forerunner to urban renewal projects implemented across Australia and has achieved all of its key objectives.

Environmental Excellence

The Ecovillage at Currumbin, QLD by Landmatters Pty Ltd

Located on a magnificent 110ha site on the Gold Coast close to beaches and urban facilities, The Ecovillage at Currumbin provides 144 high benchmark sustainable homes together with comprehensive community oriented facilities and infrastructure. With over 11 years of worldwide research and design, Landmatters' The Ecovillage at Currumbin departs from past practises by utilising and honouring the 'triple bottom line' of environment, social and economic sustainability as core criteria for all project decisions - from inception to completion.

Affordable Development

Macarthur Gardens, NSW by A Joint Venture between Stockland Development Pty Ltd and Landcom

Macathur Gardens is a leading example of a residential development that can demonstrate an overall outcome in affordability both initially and sustainability in the long term. The shared vision for the site of Stockland, Landcom and Campelltown City Council is a development that links and associates with current and future amenity resulting in a single mixed use heart for the region. The development will incorporate 960 dwellings with a mix of free standing houses, terraces and apartments. The design principles are based on a triple bottom line approach that focuses on economic, environmental and social benefits.