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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **NEW TOWN AT WILTON TO CREATE THOUSANDS OF NEW HOMES AND JOBS**

Plans for a new town at Wilton and rezoning in Wilton South East that will create around 15,000 new homes supported by schools, transport, shops, businesses, community facilities and open space is on exhibition for community consultation.

Minister for Planning and Housing, Anthony Roberts, said the detailed plan would create a vibrant new self-contained community with home sites being available as early as next year.

Separately to that, a rezoning proposal for a new master planned community for 3,000 homes at Wilton South East will also go on exhibition.

“Wilton’s strategic location, with its connections to the Southern Highlands, Macarthur and the growth opportunities of South Western Sydney, makes it a great place to create opportunities for jobs and housing in a ‘new town’ setting.

“To create a better city for future generations we need to work together with councils, business and the community, and align our efforts to a shared vision. We will continue to do that with the new town for Wilton.

“The Department of Planning and Environment has worked in close collaboration with Wollondilly Shire Council, government agencies such as Transport for NSW, and landowners, to ensure key infrastructure is put in place when frames go up.”

Mr Roberts said the interim Land Use Infrastructure Implementation Plan estimates three new primary schools, a high school, an integrated health centre and other community facilities would be needed to service the new residents alongside open space for the community to enjoy.

“We are targeting the creation of at least 15,000 jobs in the area, improving the lives of those who choose to call this great new town home,” Mr Roberts said.

“This Government understands that people want to work close to where their family and friends live and don’t want to be commuting for hours a day.

“That’s why we are creating the 30-minute city. Less than 30km away is south west Sydney’s regional city, Campbelltown, which people can access easily for work or play.

“Creating a self-contained new town at Wilton also provides opportunities to connect communities through improved public transport,” he said.

Member for Wollondilly, Jai Rowell, welcomed the jobs, services and infrastructure, including parks, a great river walk, sports grounds, outdoor sports courts including multipurpose, tennis, basketball and netball courts.

“Development of Wilton will create 15,000 new jobs over 20-30 years including industrial jobs within the planned 33 hectares of employment lands at Maldon on the northern edge. Employment will be focused on the new town and village centres with jobs created across retail, health, food services, education, trades, service industries and general light industrial jobs.

“The first stage of the town centre development is likely to include highway services and retail opportunities. Wilton will include health and education services to support growth and it will take advantage of regional opportunities,” Mr Rowell said.

The Department of Planning and Environment has worked closely with council and landowners to resolve extensive planning issues including public transport needs, vegetation and roads and traffic upgrades. To support the development the landowners have offered to enter into planning agreements to fund key infrastructure upgrades.

Experts have given advice on traffic and transport, utilities, water quality, biodiversity, social infrastructure, housing, economic development, employment and retail analysis, and urban design in the master planning process.

The draft Plan is on exhibition for public feedback until 20 September 2017. For more information go to <http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/wilton>