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SYDNEY’S LARGEST LAND RELEASE AND NEW TOWN OPENS

The biggest residential development in Sydney in the past 10 years has opened at Oran Park today.

Minister for Planning, Tony Kelly, said Oran Park Town is part of the NSW Government’s commitment to provide for the state’s future housing needs.

“The first blocks of land will be available for sale to the public tomorrow,” the Minister said.

“Landcom in agreement with the private landowner, Greenfields Development Company, will produce more than 7,500 homes.

“The homes will have the latest in energy efficient design including recycled water systems and energy smart building materials. They will also be fitted with high speed fibre optic cable to allow people to live and work from home.”

The 1,119 hectare Oran Park Town project will include:

- 7,540 new homes for 22,000 residents, all within a maximum 400 metres of a bus stop;
- Five education institutions adjacent to and within the town centre including an Anglican Primary School opening in 2011, a public school for kindergarten to Year 12 students, two private schools for kindergarten to Year 12 students, and another public primary school scheduled for later in the project;
- Capacity for 4,120 jobs;
- Around 18 hectares of employment land;
- 55,000m² of retail floor space – first supermarket, specialty shops and medical centre to be opened in 2012/13;
- Two neighbourhood centres;
- 36 kilometres of walking and cycling paths; and
- More than 10 per cent (148 hectares) of open space

Mr Kelly said a senior’s living village, aged care facility for up to 400 residents and a 30-hectare town centre will also be developed.

“We are delivering on the NSW Government’s strategy of bringing people, employment and entertainment closer together,” the Minister said.

“The $50 million first phase of Oran Park Town includes upfront delivery of two school sites, a home display village, road infrastructure, playing fields, cycle paths, a seniors living precinct and the first commercial building in the town centre.

“Oran Park Town has the largest Residential Display Village in South West Sydney, with 155 residential lots available to the market.”
Mr Kelly said this is an excellent example of how all levels of Government can work with the private sector to provide sustainable development and deliver on the Metropolitan Strategy.

“This key milestone in the South West Growth Centre is being delivered as a result of a good working relationship between landowners, the NSW Government and Camden Council,” the Minister said.

Oran Park Town, together with the Turner Road precinct, was rezoned in a record 16 months.