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NEW HOMES, JOBS AND INFRASTRUCTURE FOR SYDNEY

Two new communities will be created in Sydney providing more than 13,000 homes for nearly 39,000 people through NSW Government initiatives now on exhibition.

“The O’Farrell Government’s Housing Acceleration Fund (announced in the June State Budget) is being used for upgrades of Richmond Road and Camden Valley Way to provide vital infrastructure for these new communities,” Minister for Planning and Infrastructure Brad Hazzard said.

“At Marsden Park more than 10,000 new homes will be built for nearly 30,000 people near the North West Rail line.

“An adjoining Industrial Park being built has the capacity for 17,000 new jobs.

“Marsden Park will benefit from a new town centre providing commercial uses, two new villages with shops plus conservation and park areas.

“Four new schools are planned and combined with the shopping precincts around 3,000 permanent jobs are expected to be created.

“Developers will contribute $68 million for improvements to Richmond Road, $89 million for water infrastructure and land worth $17 million for schools.

“At Catherine Field, 3,100 new homes are planned for 9,000 people near the South West Rail line. The site will have a neighbourhood centre, housing shops and a community centre, the heritage Oran Park House will be protected and an environmental corridor established along South Creek.

“Three new schools are planned and developers will add $23 million for improvements to Oran Park Drive and Rickard Road, plus $6 million for water infrastructure.

“The O’Farrell Government is committed to providing more homes in NSW after housing starts fell to 50 year lows under Labor.

“Australian Bureau of Statistics figures show NSW was the only state to experience increased housing approvals last financial year, up 20 per cent on the previous year.

“New housing and jobs are being provided near existing infrastructure to reduce any lag in delivery and is a direct result of a Cabinet taskforce to address housing supply,” Mr Hazzard said.

The draft plans are currently on exhibition and submissions can be made at www.planning.nsw.gov.au/onexhibition

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