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SYDNEY'S FUTURE MADE CLEAR

A bold new blueprint for how Sydney will grow over the next twenty years has been released today in the draft *Metropolitan Strategy for Sydney to 2031*.

“The NSW Government is committed to delivering homes, jobs and making NSW the number one place to do business,” Planning and Infrastructure Minister Brad Hazzard said.

“We are delivering infrastructure to support 545,000 new homes in Sydney, releasing new land so families can achieve the dream of owning a home with a backyard.

“Sydney is expected to have an additional 1.3 million residents by 2031, up from 4.3 million people now.

“The NSW Government will expand housing in greenfield areas while also renewing established suburbs.

“We aim to create up to 625,000 new jobs by 2031, that is up 33 per cent on the old target.

“Western Sydney is at the heart of our economic strategy to drive growth and prosperity for the city.

“We want to see 50 per cent of all new jobs created in Western Sydney.

“This means people will work closer to where they live, cutting commute times and congestion.

“Sydney’s Global Economic Corridor will be strengthened from Sydney Airport to Macquarie Park, Parramatta and the Norwest Business Park.

“Labor’s Metropolitan Strategy failed, they didn’t provide infrastructure with new homes and housing starts fell to record 50 year lows.

“Nine ‘city shapers’ including new growth corridors along Parramatta Road, Anzac Parade, the North West Rail Link and an enhanced role for Parramatta as Sydney’s second CBD will continue to grow Sydney’s economy.

“Community consultation is the key and the draft strategy is on exhibition until 31 May 2013, all Sydneysiders should have a say on their future,” Mr Hazzard said.

More information is available at: www.planning.nsw.gov.au/sydney

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