

Campbelltown's Appin Road to be upgraded as part of Figtree Hill development

Sydney, 18 January 2024: Delivery of the Figtree Hill masterplanned community in Campbelltown will enter the next phase as works to upgrade Appin Road are set to commence following approval from Transport for NSW.

The project's fully-funded \$170m package of works will improve the safety and quality of this vital piece of road infrastructure, a key arterial connecting south-western Sydney with the Illawarra.

For homebuyers and future residents of Figtree Hill, the road upgrade will facilitate the start of construction of more than 450 homes just 10-minutes from the Campbelltown centre, and once complete will provide an easier and safer commute for families.

Over the lifetime of the project, Figtree Hill will deliver significant economic benefits, including \$1.2 billion in civil construction works and support an estimated \$1.5 billion in residential construction. Economic forecasting predicts that the project will create an estimated 2,200 full-time jobs per annum during this time.

The upgrade to Appin Road will also deliver protections for koalas and other wildlife with the construction of underpasses and koala fencing.

As part of the first phase of works, Appin Road will be widened between Noorumba Reserve and Gilead from two lanes to a four-lane dual carriage way, and a new intersection from Appin Road into the Figtree Hill development constructed.

Koala fencing will be installed on both sides of Appin Road, between Noorumba Reserve and Beulah, to prevent koalas from crossing through traffic.

Two fauna underpasses, designed as box culverts, will be constructed under Appin Road at Glen Lorne/Noorumba Reserve and Beulah/Browns Bush.

The Glen Lorne underpass will be delivered under the widened four-lane road. The Browns Bush underpass will be constructed under the existing two-lane road, acting as an interim safety measure while approvals progress for a permanent underpass at Beulah, to be delivered as part of a second package of road upgrades.

The final design of the underpasses has been determined by Transport for NSW and is based on best practice and comparable underpasses used by koalas elsewhere in NSW.

Construction will commence this year and take approximately 18 months to complete. The local community will be notified of any changed road conditions ahead of time.

Quotes attributable to Brendan O'Brien, Head of NSW Communities, Lendlease

“The community has been calling for koala underpasses and safety upgrades to Appin Road for years, and today’s announcement gives us the green light to finally deliver urgently needed road upgrades and infrastructure to improve safety for motorists and koalas.

“Our investment into upgrading this vital infrastructure for the local community will also help new homebuyers get started on building their new home at Figtree Hill, which is located 10 minutes from Campbelltown and is meeting pent-up demand for housing in this area.”

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