

# **24 February 2025**

# Stockland Providence town centre starts construction with Coles announced as anchor tenant

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Construction has started on Stockland Providence, a new retail town centre in the heart of the Providence masterplanned community in Ripley Valley, one of Queensland's fastest-growing suburbs.

Spanning more than 8,000 square metres, the town centre will be anchored by a 3,800 square metre full-line Coles supermarket and will feature a 140-person childcare centre operated by Green Leaves Early Learning Centres, a gym, and about 21 specialty stores, including a variety of food and dining options. The centre will also feature more than 400 parking spaces, including 100 shaded bays.

Stockland Providence town centre will also include a vibrant main street, which is expected to become a key focal point for the community and a place to host future markets, small festivals, and other local events.

Stockland Providence Project Director David Franklin said it's an exciting time for Stockland's retail business, with a focus on creating opportunities in our 'own backyard' to meet the needs of Stockland residential communities like Providence.

"The Providence community recently celebrated its tenth year and, with more than 4,000 residents calling Providence home, we know the curated mix of local retailers and businesses will provide a convenient place for people to pick up daily essentials," Mr Franklin said.

"Stockland Providence will also provide a space for the community to come together, relax and enjoy a meal. Our town centres are about fostering a strong sense of community and providing indoor and outdoor spaces where people can connect.

"We continue to build on our Stockland legacy of creating thriving communities and providing the important community infrastructure that contributes to the liveability of our places."

Federal Member for Blair, the Hon. Shayne Neumann MP attended the sod-turn event and reinforced the importance of this town centre in delivering essential services to the growing Providence community.

"Today's milestone is a sign that Providence has come of age with the retail town centre certain to be a vibrant hub and the centre of the rapidly growing western corridor," Mr Neumann said.



"The Ripley Valley Priority Development Area is one of the fastest growing areas in South East Queensland and the construction of the retail town centre is an exciting development for the entire community."

Member for Bundamba Lance McCallum said it is great to see work starting on the Providence town centre.

"The new town centre will bring essential services and retail closer to home for our rapidly growing community, and that means less time driving to the shops and more time with family," Mr McCallum said.

Mayor of Ipswich Teresa Harding said with Ipswich being one of Australia's fastest growing Local Government Areas, it was encouraging to see additional infrastructure and a central hub for the community to congregate and connect with neighbours.

"Ripley and South Ripley are among the fastest growing suburbs in Ipswich, with Ipswich being one of Australia's fastest growing cities. This town centre is an important part of ensuring our newest families have easy access to services, business and facilities," Ms Harding said.

"Having a vibrant town centre here in Ripley will support our rapidly growing community ensuring lpswich remains a great place to call home and to work."

Stockland has appointed Badge Constructions to deliver Stage 1, which will target a 5 Star Green Star Rating from the Green Building Council of Australia.

Stockland Providence is expected to open for trade in mid-2026.

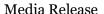
#### **About Providence**

Providence, now in its tenth year, is a masterplanned community nestled in the heart of Ripley Valley, South East Queensland. Currently home to 4,000 residents, it is expected to grow to 20,000 on completion. The community is popular with homebuyers seeking spacious open areas, parks, and playgrounds, as well as access to quality infrastructure such as childcare centres, schools, and a hospital. With a strong focus on green spaces, sporting fields, and bike trails, Providence promotes an active, outdoor lifestyle for its residents.

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