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Metropolitan Activity Centre a step closer for Stockland Cloverton after council agreement

With support from Stockland, three councils in Melbourne's outer north have entered into a landmark agreement to deliver a proposed Metropolitan Activity Centre at Stockland Cloverton.

With the aim of providing the best outcome for residents now and into the future, the first-of-its-kind Regional Partnership was signed in October 2023 with Hume City Council, City of Whittlesea, and Mitchell Shire Council, whose boundaries all cover Stockland Cloverton.

Stockland General Manager, Communities Victoria, David Allington, said collaboration with all levels of government, means new communities can be planned effectively, with the right infrastructure in place to support sustainable growth.

"The future Cloverton Metropolitan Activity Centre (MAC) will provide thousands of jobs in the region and support Cloverton's development into a 20-minute neighbourhood where residents have access to what they need close by," Mr Allington said.

"Under the partnership with the three local councils, the MAC is now a step closer and will include education facilities from childcare and pre-school through to tertiary education, a proposed train station, a retail and entertainment precinct, and future health facilities, all of which are underpinned by Stockland's market leading social and environmental approach as part of our ESG strategy."

Cloverton is located 38 kilometres from Melbourne's CBD and is Victoria's largest developing masterplanned community. Residents first moved in seven years ago and it is expected to be a 30-year project for Stockland.

Upon completion, more than 30,000 residents are expected to live in Cloverton. In the future, alongside the recently opened Kallo town centre and Gilgai Plains Primary School, residents will be close to a range of public and private schools, public transport, healthcare facilities, community centres, and more than 80 hectares of open space.

"We're continuing to work proactively and constructively with local and state government as we build the community," Mr Allington said.

The building of the MAC will see Cloverton as the primary employment and service hub for emerging suburbs of the north including Mickleham, Kalkallo, Donnybrook, and Wallan, which will eventually cater to 380,000 residents across Melbourne's outer north and aims to generate 50,000 jobs in the long-term.

Hume City Mayor Councillor Joseph Haweil, who chaired the meeting, said through our important local alignment, we are sharing the vision of helping communities stay connected by having access to essential services close to home.

“Cloverton city will ensure the large population in Cloverton and surrounds remain connected and serviced through a centralised hub close to home, something that can only be achieved through careful coordination of our resources and collaboration across our three council areas, as well as the State Government.”

Stockland has worked with the State Government on the now completed upgrade to the Mitchell Street roundabout with a dedicated left-turn lane onto the Hume Freeway.

“We are also working closely with the relevant state government authorities to obtain the required approvals that will enable building to commence on the Gunns Gully Road Hume Freeway Interchange next year, which is critical to improving traffic flow in the northern growth corridor,” Mr Allington added.

Stockland currently has four masterplanned communities in Melbourne’s north – Lyra in Beveridge, Cloverton in Kalkallo, Highlands in Craigieburn, and Katalia in Donnybrook.

Stockland Cloverton provides a range of quality housing, including land, house and land, and townhome options. The housing options Stockland provides cater to all stages of people’s lifestyles – from first homebuyers, young families, older families, and those who are upsizing or downsizing.

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