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Stockland Newport recognised as Queensland's best masterplanned community

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Stockland Newport, a coastal community on the Redcliffe Peninsula, has been awarded Excellence in Masterplanned Communities at the 2023 Urban Development Institute of Australia (UDIA) Queensland Awards, held earlier this month.

Stockland General Manager Queensland Development, David Laner said he was proud the Newport team was recognised by this prestigious industry award.

“Connecting people to the place they call home is an important aspect when designing a masterplanned community. For Stockland, this first involves establishing a unique identity and vision for the community. This is done through deep customer and market insights, ensuring the community has infrastructure and amenities residents expect. We want our homeowners to be proud of where they live,” Mr Laner said.

“In designing Newport, we focussed on creating a place where the city meets the sea. With sweeping bay views, the waterside community is perfectly positioned so residents have easy access to schools, shops and transport links, making it a convenient and relaxing lifestyle for families and downsizers alike.

“The community also has kilometres of tree-lined bike paths and lush green parks which encourages residents to lead an active and healthy lifestyle.”

Mr Laner said an extraordinary engineering effort brought to life the community's defining feature – a 22-hectare non-tidal manmade lake.

“The community's bayside location meant all lots needed to be raised above the projected 2100 Q100 levels for climate change resilience. We achieved this sustainably by re-using the soil excavated during creation of the lake,” he said.

“A low-maintenance lock and weir system equalises water levels in the lake to keep it non-tidal, giving waterfront residents high-mast boat access to Moreton Bay.”

The community is located around 38 kilometres north of Brisbane and comprises more than 500 townhomes and apartments, 1,570 land lots and a 125-apartment retirement living village.

“The project is currently 75 per cent delivered and 90 per cent sold, and residents and the wider community are already enjoying everything that Newport has to offer, including the architecturally designed, waterside retail precinct, Newport Marketplace,” Mr Laner said.

Mr Laner added Newport has set a new standard for residential communities on the Redcliffe Peninsula and in the Moreton Bay region.

“The community has attracted a range of buyers, with resident referrals accounting for around 60 per cent of sales in the last 12 months. Several builders have also purchased homes at Newport, demonstrating high confidence in the community’s quality, lifestyle offering, and investment potential,” he said.

The annual UDIA Queensland Awards for Excellence honour the highest achievers across all sectors of the development industry with winners eligible to contest the national awards.

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