What's on at Altrove

Welcome to the first issue of the Altrove Newsletter! We're excited to keep you informed by providing a quarterly newsletter, particularly after our plans to start holding Drop-In Sessions and other small events were interrupted by COVID-19.



A message from Anna Gańko, the Development Manager for the Altrove community.

I hope everyone has been staying safe as we live through this incredibly challenging period. Our priority has always been the safety, health and wellbeing of our customers, residents, people and community partners.

I'm extremely excited to have recently joined this community as the Development Manager – there are so many opportunities that Altrove can offer. We have over 60 new medium density homes currently being assessed by Council; a proposed new pedestrian connection to the train station, and we are also introducing a number of online activities to keep the community connected whilst physically distancing through COVID-19.

As you may be aware, the remaining undeveloped areas of Altrove present a number of complexities with regards to the future metro corridor. Many of our future development or rezoning applications are dependent on consent which we need to obtain from other authorities – including Blacktown City Council, Transport for NSW and the Department of Planning. We are currently in close talks with the relevant authorities, but the message that we are consistently receiving is that until this metro line is confirmed we are unable to progress the approval process for the town centre and associated amenity.

As a result, we have closely worked with these authorities to determine what we can deliver for Altrove in the short term. We will be able to deliver amenity, but only in a temporary capacity, until such time as the metro line is announced. And we're keen to hear from you with regards to what you need and how you will want to operate within this space. We've recently closed our survey, and are reviewing the feedback – we hope to be able to provide you with an update in the next newsletter.

I look forward to working closely with the Altrove community to deliver a vibrant and active community.

Community virtual activations

Stay connected from home with our on-line classes

Due to the events of COVID-19, we have had to suspend our planned normal events program temporarily until further notice.

Instead, we have been busy creating ways for the Altrove community to continue being together until we can run our regular community events again.

We're always keen to hear feedback, so please don't hesitate to contact us if there is something you would like to see more or less of.

We are offering FREE online sessions to keep you learning and connected within the community.

Kids fitness session

This virtual session offered a non-contact ball skills program for children aged 2–6, promoting an active lifestyle with healthy habits. The program was based on themed sessions with an emphasis on FUN.



Cooking session

This class was designed around quick, easy recipes and aimed to utilise pantry staples where possible. Ingredients lists were sent out prior to the session to allow time to purchase any items you may not have had available.

Gardening session

Autumn was the perfect time to plant your garden as most plants lie dormant. This interactive session provided the tips and tricks to planting a successful and thriving garden!



Yoga session

This online adults yoga class was run by Mukti Freedom Yoga. Mukti Saraswati is a Yogacharya, master of yoga. She was born in Melbourne and lived in India for 10 years learning, practising and teaching the traditional techniques of yoga.

During this time Mukti authored the well-known publication 'Hatha Yoga Pradipika, Light on Hatha Yoga' and 'Swara Yoga: The Tantric Science of Brain Breathing.'

For further instructions on how to join our next sessions visit our website:

stockland.com.au/altrove



Development update

Altrove temporary Community Hub

Stockland are planning to deliver a temporary community hub, café and play space associated with a new relocated passenger drop-off/pick-up zone and pedestrian access to Schofields Train Station at the end of Altrove Boulevard (extension to Calder Street).

The new pedestrian connection to the station will have lighting and CCTV and provide an additional connection to the station for residents. The existing gravel access road currently used for passenger drop-off/pick-up will be closed to vehicular traffic, however the pedestrian connection will remain.

We are in the design phase and would like to ensure the services that we provide are tailored to the demands of the community.

We are currently reviewing your feedback from the recent survey and are exploring ways that we can amend our design to incorporate some of the great ideas and suggestions.

Meet your neighbour

We were planning a series of 'Meet Your Neighbour' events to welcome our newest residents to our community. Unfortunately, we've had to suspend these events due to COVID-19, but we look forward to offering a neighbourly event once we are able to.







Connecting to NBN

If you're less than six months from completing your new home build, then it's time to start thinking about connecting NBN.

To connect your home with NBN, you can speak with your builder and chosen internet service provider (ISP). Please ensure that you have checked on the NBN website if your area is NBN ready – nbnco.com.au/connect-homeor-business/check-your-address

If it does show your area as NBN ready, your ISP can start the connection process straight away. If not, please continue to check on the NBN website for updates about availability.

If your ISP asks for an area ID number, or more commonly known as an AYCA number, please contact Stockland, and we can provide it to you.



Home/Lot maintenance and safety

For your safety

Please note that there are a number of active construction areas throughout Altrove and these will be fenced off for the safety of the community and our project team. For your safety, please do not enter any of these worksites – only Stockland personnel, subcontractors, and authorised persons are allowed in these areas

Verge maintenance

A reminder that all residents are responsible for keeping their verges, front and rear gardens mowed. Stockland are maintaining streets in select areas where homes are currently settling. All Stockland maintenance in these areas will cease at the end of June 2020 once all homes are occupied, so please get in the habit of maintaining not only your garden, but also the verge outside your home.

Maintain your Lot

Please inspect your lot regularly, keep it mowed, prevent hazards and remove any rubbish

Temporary fencing

Please ensure temporary fencing is installed around the perimeter of your lot to restrict public access and prevent any rubbish dumping on your lot.

Home construction

Please commence the construction of your new home as per your contractual obligations and requirements set out in your Contract of Sale.

COVID-19 update

As you would be well aware, COVID-19 has had many impacts around the country and Stockland is trying to work with our Altrove community to ensure that whilst the way we operate may change, the delivery of our customer service to our residents and customers remains the same.

We ask for your patience throughout this time, but as always, welcome any feedback and suggestions.



Contact us

Online

Visit stockland.com.au/altrove

for our monthly calendar of events, the latest in construction, roadworks, land available and more; or

Like us on Facebook:

Sales

For information about future homes, contact Ryan Jennings on **13 52 63**.

On the grounds at Altrove

Construction update

Bulk Earthworks on the vacant future town centre land have now been completed. We are in the process of remediating the land prior to hydromulching works. For your safety, we remind residents NOT to walk through any construction areas (i.e. that are surrounded by temporary fencing).

Our next phase of work will extend and connect Altrove Boulevard with Calder Street associated with the construction of the next stage of townhomes on Rosetta Street forecast to commence in 2021.

Future works

Our plans for the Town Centre cannot proceed until the location of the future metro is determined by Transport for New South Wales (TfNSW). Stockland are continuing close discussions with the relevant authorities, including TfNSW as well as Blacktown City Council to facilitate the determination of this corridor.

We've recently completed some works within this area, which includes hydro-mulching the area to reduce the amount of airborne dust, particularly on windy days.

Stockland remain committed to delivering amenity for the Altrove community in the



short term, and have proposed to deliver a temporary community hub containing a café and community centre together with a playspace and a pedestrian connection into the train station as an interim offering until we can proceed with the development of our town centre.

Temporary Amenity

A DA is planned to be lodged for a temporary community hub, café and play space which will also form a hard paved pedestrian connection to Schofields train station from the end of an extended Altrove Boulevard. We will look to review and incorporate community feedback wherever possible prior to lodging the Development Application.

Burdekin Road Extension

Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) are currently undertaking the Concept Design and Environmental Assessment phase of this project. This process will involve numerous studies such as heritage, ecology, noise, traffic modelling,

surveying and ground investigations. Visit

rms.nsw.gov.au/projects/north-west-growth-centre-strategy/townson-burdekin-road.html

Development Applications (DA)

A DA for our next site of circa 60 townhomes stretching from Rosetta Street through to Calder Street, south of Altrove Boulevard has been lodged with Blacktown Council. Development timeframes are subject to Council and Sydney Planning Panel approval.

Sales update

Due to the high demand of land and townhomes in the Altrove community, we have now sold all available townhomes and land. The Altrove Sales Centre is temporarily closed until our next release of townhomes, with our Sales Professional Ryan Jennings available over the phone on **13 52 63**.

As a result, we will be updating a few of the hoarding panels and billboards around Altrove to communicate the correct messaging.

New residents

Rosetta Street has welcomed its newest residents throughout May and June 2020.

We will be hosting a 'Meet Your Neighbour' event for our new Rosetta Street residents once COVID-19 restrictions are removed, presenting an opportunity for new and existing neighbours to meet over canapes and beverages.

Access road

We are pleased to announce that both the gravel access road to the train station and footpath are now reopened.

As many residents would be aware, this access to the station was closed at short notice to ensure customer safety due to heavy rain in February.

We have now installed a permanent stormwater pit and regraded the soil to rectify this problem.

This road will remain open until the temporary community hub link is constructed and operational.

Hilltop Park

Unfortunately the proposed replacement play structure that we submitted in our modification last year is not supported by Council and they have requested that the design be modified to be more of a local scale play facility.

As the modification has not been officially withdrawn by Stockland, we are taking this opportunity to recommence conversations with Blacktown City Council to propose amendments that are suitable to the scale of the local community and complementary to the existing Hilltop Park.

We are taking on board the suggestions and feedback from the recent Temporary Community Hub Survey as part of this process.

We will present our proposal for both the Temporary Community Hub & Hilltop Park to the community prior to re-lodging any submissions back to Council. Pending ongoing COVID-19 restrictions, this process will most likely occur via online survey similar to the recent Temporary Community Hub Survey.

Altrove's drop-in session

Unfortunately the Altrove team's first drop-in session had to be cancelled due to the COVID-19 restrictions imposed by the Australian Government.

We look forward to continuing to communicate with you via this quarterly newsletter in addition to our emails, and recommencing the drop-in sessions once restrictions are lifted.

Altrove Liveability Survey

Thank you to those who participated in Altrove's Liveability Survey. We'll provide you with an update in the next newsletter.



Send us your pics of living life at Altrove!

We'd like to start a photo gallery in our newsletters of our community enjoying life at Altrove. Send us your photos to customercareteam@stockland.com.au and you could potentially star in the next newsletter.

