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SOCIAL HOUSING — BEACONSFIELD TAFE SITE — REDEVELOPMENT

Statement by Minister for Lands

MR J.N. CAREY (Perth — Minister for Lands) [9.17 am]: I rise to inform the house of the plans for the redevelopment of the former Beaconsfield TAFE site near Fremantle. This exciting urban regeneration project will deliver up to 150 new homes, including social and affordable housing, and incorporate landscaped public open space. The redevelopment will feature a medium-density, climate-responsive residential development, with a mix of low and medium-rise apartments and townhouses.

The community consultation process undertaken by DevelopmentWA resulted in more than 100 submissions that were carefully considered to ensure that community aspirations for sustainability, retention of mature trees and improved security and safety in the area were included. The draft concept plan has been developed and informed by feedback from the community consultation, which will form the basis for the local structure plan to be lodged with the City of Fremantle in May this year. The public open spaces will focus on mature tree retention, a playground, and a network of pathways featuring Waterwise landscaping. This project is an important part of this government's commitment to delivering mixed social and affordable housing in Western Australia. Incorporating social and affordable housing will contribute to the state government's target to deliver 3 300 social dwellings over a four-year period as part of our \$2.4 billion investment in social housing and homelessness measures and programs.

The redevelopment of the former Beaconsfield TAFE site will transform and breathe new life into the local community, while bolstering the supply of housing in the area. The state government, through DevelopmentWA, will continue to update all stakeholders on the progress of the redevelopment, including the timing of construction commencement and sales releases. We have listened to the community and taken on board their feedback. I look forward to seeing the final vision of this significant urban regeneration project come to fruition.