

# Media Release



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## DEVELOPMENTS LOOK AFTER ENVIRONMENT AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES

The environment and local communities are the big winners today with two new developments receiving EnviroDevelopment certification from the Urban Development Institute of Australia (UDIA).

LWP Property Group's Malvern Springs at Ellenbrook has been certified in the ecosystems and community elements and Peet's new Shorehaven project located in Alkimos has received certification in water.

"We are excited that the community is embracing EnviroDevelopment," UDIA CEO Debra Goostrey said.

"The projects that have been certified today are high quality developments going well above standard requirements," Ms Goostrey said.

"EnviroDevelopment certification means that consumers can easily identify property that offers environmentally sustainable features such as those showcased by Shorehaven and Malvern Springs," Ms Goostrey said.

"The Shorehaven project is aiming to save greater than 40% more water than a standard development by providing each new resident with a rainwater tank and a waterwise landscaping package," Ms Goostrey said.

"On a development scale the public open spaces are water efficient and grassed areas have been kept to a minimum."

"Health is the theme at Malvern Springs and LWP is creating a village feel while retaining natural land form and vegetation as well as a nearby wetland."

"The developer was also integral to the establishment of the local Ellenbrook Cultural Foundation which is a great way to engage the local community," Ms Goostrey said.

"Both projects have shown impressive commitment to achieving EnviroDevelopment certification," Ms Goostrey said.

EnviroDevelopment is a national program and certified estates can use the EnviroDevelopment logo to promote their achievements in the relevant categories.

Projects receiving EnviroDevelopment certification must meet strict scientifically based criteria in one or more of its six categories including water, ecosystems, community, waste, materials and energy.

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### Some fast facts about EnviroDevelopment:

- ✓ The website lists all certified projects with lots of information and fact sheets:  
[www.envirodevelopment.com.au](http://www.envirodevelopment.com.au)
- ✓ EnviroDevelopment is a national certification program established by the Urban Development Institute of Australia
- ✓ Categories include:
  - Water
  - Energy
  - Waste
  - Materials
  - Ecosystems
  - Community
- ✓ Only developers meeting the strict criteria can display the logo which clearly identifies the elements they are certified in
- ✓ Developments certified in water must prove a water saving of 40% compared with a standard development
- ✓ Developments certified in ecosystems must aim to protect and enhance existing native ecosystems and encourage natural systems and native biodiversity and rehabilitate degraded sites
- ✓ Developments certified in community must encourage community spirit, sustainable local facilities, reduced use of private motor vehicles and accessible and flexible design that welcomes a diversity of people

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