



ACT
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**Public Housing Renewal
Taskforce**

COMMUNITY UPDATE PUBLIC HOUSING IN NICHOLLS

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

In December 2015, the ACT Environment and Planning Directorate (EPD) gave conditional approval for the Public Housing Renewal Taskforce to construct 13 two-bedroom public housing dwellings in a single-storey development on Kelleway Avenue, Nicholls.

The development is part of the ACT Government's public housing renewal program which will replace 1,288 ageing public housing dwellings by 2019 to improve living standards for tenants.

LOCATION OF SITE

The site at Kelleway Street, Block 17 Section 73, is highlighted in blue on the map below.

Public housing in existing residential areas and close to services is not a new concept for the ACT. Dispersing public housing and reducing concentrations of disadvantage is just one way in which Canberrans can send a clear signal that it is an inclusive community, and proud of providing housing options for all Canberrans.



DESIGN

The Taskforce considered community comments and feedback submitted both during the community engagement phase and to EPD during the Development Application (DA) public notification period. This resulted in a number of changes to the original proposed design, including reducing the number of units from 16 to 13.

The Taskforce ensures that designs for all replacement housing developments under the program fit in with the local look and feel of the neighbourhood.

Some of the building materials to be used in the Nicholls development can be seen below.



CONSTRUCTION

Construction of the development is expected to start in the second quarter of 2016, with completion expected in mid-2017.

To receive updates on the Nicholls project, send an email with 'Nicholls updates' in the subject field to housingrenewal@act.gov.au.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information on the public housing renewal program, including background to the Nicholls development:

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