

A leading edge water and energy efficient residential

development

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Communities Designed for Living

- Population Growth
- Urbanisation
- Climate Change



(Victoria in Future 2015 – Population and Household Projections to 2051, Department of Environment, Land, Water & Planning)

AQUAREVO LYNDHURST

- Former Cranbourne Treatment Plant land owned by SEW
- Villawood selected via tender to partner with South East Water
- Unique financial model, no risk to Government
- Commenced planning in 2014
- First Sales in late 2016
- Commenced construction in early 2017
- Approx. 50% of lots sold to date.
- First residents move in April 2019





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A Developer With a Difference ...

2010

AVING

Green Savings

new homeor renovate

Calculator offers tips

and ideas to help you

the Green Savings

and save money.

enviro



2003-04









2004 Promenade Green Guide



2006

Street

program

to undertake

First private developer

'Sustainability Street'

a program designed

to get people out of

form a community

their houses and



Captured on the web for all Villawood Properties estates. Can be used nationwide to create demand for sustainable

AOIOE:

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Finalist

United Nations (Aust) Environmental Award



The Nature of



Villawood 144 page hard cover picture book captured

2009



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2014

Calculator & App ARMSTRONG A helpful online tool for Green Street those looking to build a **Display Village**

The Australian-first 'Green Street' Display Village showcases 36 homes from save water save energy the country's leading builders several of which are exclusively on display at ARMSTRONG.

The homes surround an extraordinary children's playground featuring 18 cubbies plus a host of other fun elements - this is the only display village the kids actually WANT to visit.





2015

Trillium UDIA Healthy Living Award

Trillium combines creative, ntelligent urban design and thoughtful community engagement initiates to foster community health Features include a residents

club, three spacious parks and a quality mix of housing. The result is a healthy, vibrant Villawood Properties community with design to ensure ease of movement by foot, bike and carboth within the estate and to its surrounds



Armstrong UDIA Landscape Award

2016

Armstrong has been highly commended for the Display Village in the 'Green Street', an interactive landscape and play area dominated by mature planting and numerous 'cubby houses' all set in a secure but accessible space.

Armstrong will feature a waterfront dining precinct in addition to a showpiece Club Armstrong Residents Club - a \$7.5million state-of-the-art facility. the Residents' Club including a gymnasium heated swimming pool tennis courts and calé



2017

Launch of

Aquarevo

Aquarevo world's largest energy storage agreement

2018



Aquarevo First foundations laid

Aquarevo is a groundbreaking new community by South East Water and Villawood Properties combining the innovation of One Box and Tank Talk, along with rainwater used for hol water recycled water and solar panels.









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Good Friday Charity Home Auction

Villawood proudly celebrates its 10th year of partnering with Henley to auction a premium House and Land package at Delaray with all proceeds going to the Royal children's Hospita









2019







Integrated water benefits at Aquarevo



70% reduction in potable supply – by use of rainwater and recycled water	75% reduction in wastewater discharged offsite - from estate water recycling plant	55% reduction annual stormwater discharge – by use of rainwater tanks
26% reduction to peak runoff events - <i>from</i> <i>TankTalk®</i> <i>technology</i>	35% reduction in stormwater nutrient loads beyond best practice - <i>from</i> <i>rainwater</i> <i>harvesting</i>	~55 ML/year of water infiltrated to enhance soil moisture and support urban forest – via wetlands























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Panels kW Size	Battery kWh Size	Family	*Savings %
3kW	5kWh	* * * *	61%
5kW	5kWh	* * * *	84%
5kW	7.5kWh	* * * *	96%
5kW	7.5kWh	* * * * * *	85%

Purchaser Education and the Sales Process

- Discovery Centre established to support the early sales process
- Prior to acquiring a lot purchasers received extensive briefing on all initiatives
- Unique and clever marketing and information packages created
- Due to the overwhelming demand a ballot system was adopted
- Education Events held at Builder/Purchaser Expos









Builder Education Process

- Homes built within Aquarevo are required to be Aquarevo compliant
- Builders were educated on the design changes required for a pre-approved design
- The pre-approval process was vital for the home builders to ensure ease of sales
- Regular meetings with SEW to ensure the initiatives are understood and adopted.
- Construction process meetings with SEW and builders to ensure the construction process works smoothly with the inclusion of the initiatives.
- Villawood held Builder Expos to allow builder representatives direct access to purchasers with land.



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Demonstration House

- SEW, Villawood and Arden have joined together in partnership to create an eco-friendly, sustainable home – the 'Empire 28'
- Demonstrates all the Aquarevo initiatives and a host of energy efficient solutions, enabling it to achieve an 8-star energy rating.
- The Empire 28 is ideally positioned so the living and entertaining areas are situated to the side of the home, maximising solar access, circulation and natural light.
- Landscaped to maximise cooling effect
- Important to be able to touch and feel!





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Challenges

It hasn't all been smooth sailing! It's taken time and patience to get ensure Aquarevo initiatives meet regulatory requirements and have buy-in from key partners/suppliers.

- **Department of Health engagement** re the rain for hot water
- **EPA approvals** for the estate treatment plant
- Builder house designs meeting Aquarevo specifications
- Purchaser education
- Bringing **Council** along for the journey

"Creating a joint venture between a Government organization (South East Water) and private enterprise - each organization has had to adapt and be flexible in the way we approach issues, and how planning/execution is handled. "







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How it works...

At the centre of the partnership is a deep commitment to the overarching vision of Aquarevo.



Through open communication and collaboration, all parties have adapated to create an Aquarevo way of doing things, to bring the vision to life.

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Rainwater

Every home at Aquarevo will be fitted with a "Rain to Hot Water System" – including;

- Rainwater tank
- UV filtration
- High-tech hot water system

Treated rainwater will be provided to hot water taps in the **shower**, **bath**, **laundry trough and washing machine**.

Potential for flood mitigation too....



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