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A TRANSFORMED FITZROY GASWORKS SITE ANOTHER STEP CLOSER

The Andrews Labor Government is getting on with transforming the former Fitzroy Gasworks site into a vibrant new neighbourhood, with the projects development plan now released for community feedback.

The Labor Government is turning the former Fitzroy Gasworks site at Fitzroy North into a new precinct, with affordable housing options close to public transport. It includes building 1,100 apartments, a 650-student senior high school, a multi-use sports centre, a community facility, underground car parking, options for bicycle parking and open space.

The apartments will be developed with a strong focus on energy and water conservation, as well as waste management and transport solutions. Around 200 will be Affordable Build to Rent (ABTR), to provide high quality housing that will remain available as a rental for the long term.

A demand for more sport and recreational facilities in the area will see the multi-use sports centre built over two levels, with four indoor sports courts and a new gym. The site will be available for use by sporting clubs and the local community. This complements the two adjacent indoor sports courts that form part of the new senior secondary campus for Collingwood College and Fitzroy High School. Construction of the multi-use sports centre is scheduled to begin mid-next year, with the process to secure a contractor already underway.

The projects development plan is based on extensive community and stakeholder consultation and outlines the planning controls, policies and principles that will guide the design and construction of the site.

The development plan is open for community feedback over the next four weeks. Following submissions, the finalised plan will then be submitted for approval to begin the redevelopment of the site.

More information about the Fitzroy Gasworks project and the development plan can be found online at: www.development.vic.gov.au/fitzroy

Quotes attributable to Minister for Transport Infrastructure Jacinta Allan

"We're getting on with transforming the Fitzroy Gasworks site – delivering affordable housing, more open space and a high school close to public transport – making it easier and more accessible for residents to get to where they need to go."

"The Fitzroy Gasworks site will ensure more Victorians have a great place to call home and also create hundreds of local jobs."

Quote attributable to Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence

"This project will give the Fitzroy community the facilities they need – including a new multi-use sports centre so more locals can get active and play the sports they love."

Quote attributable to Member for Richmond Richard Wynne

"The Fitzroy Gasworks project will deliver a vibrant new neighbourhood in the heart of Fitzroy – with affordable housing options, a school, a multi-use sports centre and a range of community facilities."